

WEST VIRGINIA UNIVERSITY
BOARD OF GOVERNORS

March 6, 2009

The seventy-third meeting of the West Virginia University Board of Governors, called as an Emergency Meeting, was held on March 6, 2009 in the Barnette BOG Room at the Erickson Alumni Center. Board members participating were Ellen Cappellanti, Dr. Tom Clark, James Dailey, Steve Goodwin, Dr. Steve Kite, Ray Lane, Diane Lewis, Carolyn Long, Oliver Luck, Paul Martinelli, Ted Mattern, Bill Nutting, Jason Parsons, Drew Payne, Ed Robinson, and Dr. Charles Vest.

Other WVU officers and representatives present were:

Deputy General Counsel, Beverly D. Kerr;
Associate General Counsel, Shea R. Browning;
Vice President for University Relations, Chris Martin;
Executive Director, Internal Communications, Becky Lofstead;
Director of News & Information Services, Danial Kim;
Special Assistant to the Provost, Jessica Thomas; and
Special Assistant to the Board of Governors, Valerie Lopez.

Members of the press were also present.

CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order by Board Chairman, Carolyn Long, at 9:00 a.m. A roll call was taken to determine who was in attendance and a quorum established.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Chairman Carolyn Long requested that the Board go into Executive Session, under authority in West Virginia Code §6-9A-4(b)(2)(A), to discuss personnel matters related to the WVU Presidential Search. The motion was made by Paul Martinelli, seconded by Ed Robinson, and passed. Chairman Long announced that the regular board meeting should re-convene sometime shortly after lunch. The Board thereupon met in Executive Session. Following the discussion, Drew Payne moved that the Board rise from Executive Session. The motion was seconded by Dr. Tom Clark and passed. The Board re-convened in general session at 1:20 p.m.

ACTIONS EMANATING FROM EXECUTIVE SESSION

Chairman Long thanked all Board members for their efforts expended during Executive Session. She announced that the Board had collectively read and discussed all comments and other materials submitted in reference to the two candidates being

considered for the position of president at West Virginia University. She also stated the consensus of the Board that the candidate selected will indeed become a great president of West Virginia University, and to help achieve this goal, he will have the full support of all members of the Board of Governors.

Oliver Luck moved that the candidate identified by the Presidential Search Committee as Candidate Number 9 be selected as the next president of West Virginia University, contingent upon approval of this candidate by the West Virginia Higher Education Policy Commission. The motion was seconded by Dr. Tom Clark, and passed.

Chairman Long advised that there will be a press announcement related to the selection of WVU's next president at 4:30 p.m. today at the Erickson Alumni Center.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, Ellen Cappellanti moved to adjourn the meeting. The motion was seconded by Ted Mattern, passed unanimously, and the meeting was adjourned at 1:30 p.m.

John T. Mattern, Secretary