# WEST VIRGINIA UNIVERSITY BOARD OF GOVERNORS

June 2, 2006

The forty-second meeting of the West Virginia University Board of Governors was held on June 2, 2006, at the Embassy Suites Hotel in Charleston, W.V. Board members in attendance were Hank Barnette, Tom Clark, Linda Dickirson, Tom Dover, Steve Farmer, Steve Goodwin, Russ Isaacs, Doug Leech, Mark Manchin, Paul Martinelli, Ted Mattern, Parry Petroplus, and Robert Wells. D.J. Casto, Betty Chilton, Michael Lastinger, and Rod Thorn were absent and excused.

WVU officers, and regional campus officers and representatives present were:

### From WVU:

President David C. Hardesty, Jr.; Provost and Vice President for Academic Affairs and Research, Gerald Lang; Vice President for Health Sciences, Bob D'Alessandri; Vice President for Student Affairs, Ken Gray; Vice President for Administration, Finance & Human Resources, Narvel Weese; Vice President for Institutional Advancement, Chris Martin; Vice President for Research and Economic Development, John Weete; Chief of Staff, Margaret Phillips; General Counsel, Tom Dorer; Executive Officer for Social Justice, Jennifer McIntosh; Special Assistant to the President for Legislative Affairs, David Miller; Special Assistant to the President/Provost, & Assistant BOG Secretary, Ginny Petersen; Sr. Associate Provost, Russ Dean: Associate Vice President for Finance, Dan Durbin; Associate Vice President for Facilities. Joe Fisher: Dean of Students, David Stewart; Deputy Chief of Staff, Jennifer Fisher; Director of University News Service, Becky Lofstead; Director of Internal Audit, William Quigley; Student Body President, Jason Gross; Student Body Vice President, Beth Belch; President of the Parent's Club, Susan Hardesty; Events Management Specialist; Stephanie Ballard Conrad; Lincoln Hall Resident Faculty Leaders, Sven and Lisa Verlinden; Lincoln Hall Residence Hall Director, Alicia Moore: From WVU at Parkersburg: Marie Foster Gnage, Campus President From West Virginia University Institute of Technology: Lanny Janeksela, Vice President for Academic Affairs; Charles Bayless, Campus President From the Community & Technical College at West Virginia University Institute of Technology: Beverly Jo Harris, Campus President; From Potomac State College of West Virginia University Kerry Odell, Campus Provost;

### A member of the Press was also present.

#### CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order by Board Chairman, Doug Leech at 8:30 a.m. He introduced Linda Dickirson, newly elected Chairman of the Board of Advisors at West Virginia University at Parkersburg, and welcomed her to the WVU Board of Governors. General Counsel Tom Dorer administered the oath of office to Mrs. Dickirson.

Mr. Leech thanked Steve Farmer for hosting the BOG dinner the previous evening at his law firm at Sunrise Mansion. In student representative D.J. Casto's absence, Mr. Leech invited Jason Gross, Student Body President at West Virginia University to sit at the Board table in Mr. Casto's place, in a non-voting capacity. (Mr. Gross becomes a member of the Board on July 1, 2006.)

#### **EXECUTIVE SESSION**

Mr. Petroplus moved that the West Virginia University Board of Governors go into executive session pursuant to West Virginia Code §6-9A-4(b), 8, 10, 12. The motion was seconded and passed, and the Board thereupon met in executive session. Following the discussion, Mr. Wells moved that the Board rise from executive session. The motion was seconded and passed.\*

#### **APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

Mr. Isaacs moved that the minutes of the meeting of April 21, 2006 be approved. The motion was seconded and passed.

#### ACTIONS EMANATING FROM EXECUTIVE SESSION

After discussions in executive session, the Board took the following actions:

- 1. Mr. Dover moved that the Board allow President Bayless to serve on two corporate boards. The motion was seconded and approved.
- 2. Mr. Isaacs moved that the Leave of Absence for Dr. Rosemary Haggett be extended through September, 2007. The motion was seconded and approved.
- 3. Mr. Wells moved that the Board approve minor modifications to President Hardesty's contract, with no effect on his current salary. The motion was seconded and approved.

\*Unless otherwise stated, all motions were passed unanimously.

#### **PRESIDENT'S REPORT**

President Hardesty thanked Mr. Isaacs for the gift of a West Virginia Encyclopedia, Mr. Farmer for his hospitality hosting the BOG dinner, and welcomed Mrs. Dickirson to the Board.

The President reported that the University is taking the threat of a pandemic flu outbreak seriously, and has commenced planning for such an event. He noted that if it occurs, he wants WVU institutions to be prepared to handle the emergency, coordinating closely with the Health Sciences Center and the Governors office. The Board would be kept informed.

President Hardesty commented that the University's three Goldwater recipients and one Truman scholar for 2005-2006 place it among the elite institutions in these competitions, and noted that Rebecca McCauley was most likely the only double Goldwater-Truman winner in the nation.

The President noted that the university continues to grow in enrollment, facilities are undergoing renovation and construction, and a new emphasis on expanding International education both for US and foreign students will be a priority for both WVU and NASULC leadership.

President Hardesty reported that the University continues to look for ways to be a leading innovator in Higher Education and student life in the country. He plans to meet with the new chairman of the Board of Governors to establish his Goals and Objectives for the coming year, and to set goals for the Board. He thanked Doug Leech for his outstanding leadership of the Board of Governors over the past two years.

## **COMMITTEE REPORTS**

**Audit Committee:** Russ Isaacs reported that the Audit Committee had met on Thursday, June 1, 2006, and heard reports from the Vice President for Administration and Finance, the General Counsel, the Internal Auditor and the Director of Information Security. He noted the Committee had approved a new Audit Committee Charter which will be shared with the Board.

**Nominating Committee:** Parry Petroplus, reporting for fellow Nominating Committee members Ted Mattern and Steve Farmer, proposed the following slate of officers for the coming year: Steve Goodwin, Chairman, Robert Wells, Vice Chairman, Betty Chilton, Secretary, Robert Wells, Chairman of the Policy & Planning Committee, Parry Petroplus, Chairman of the Finance & Operations Committee, Russ Isaacs, Chairman of the Audit Committee.

Mr. Petroplus moved that these officers be elected. The motion was seconded, and the slate of officers was approved.

#### **BOARD ITEMS**

Vice President for Administration and Finance, Narvel Weese, gave a FY 2006 Plan Financial Performance update, including reviewing Key Monthly Indicators. He also presented the proposed FY2006-2007 Budget.

Vice President Weese presented a proposed Emergency Policy regarding Faculty Increment Pay and explained that it is in response to new legislation passed by the 2006 legislature awarding faculty \$50 for each year of service to the state. If approved, the Policy will need to be approved through the normal approval process in the Fall.

Vice President Ken Gray gave a short update on the Student Affairs Strategic Plan, noting that it is designed to complement the University's 2010 plan, and to continue to enhance the University's image as a leading innovator in student services and programming.

Dean of Students David Stewart presented one example of such innovation, with his description of the new Residential College being developed for the new residence hall opening in Fall, 2006. He described the programming planned for the students, the sense of belonging they hope to foster, and the benefits to be derived from such a unique living experience. He introduced the resident faculty leaders and residence hall director for the new facility, and noted that after much discussion, they were proposing that the residence hall be named in honor of Abraham Lincoln, who was president when West Virginia became a state, and who signed the Morrill Act, establishing land grant colleges.

Mr. Farmer moved that the residence hall be named Lincoln Hall. The motion was seconded, and approved.

## **CONSENT AGENDA**

Chairman Leech called on General Counsel, Tom Dorer, to explain a few changes on the Consent Agenda. Mr. Dorer noted that the proposed policies on Parking were being postponed until Fall to allow for more student input on the policies. He also reviewed a few changes to four of the policies in response to comments received during the public comment period, and noted the addition of an item on Potomac State College which had been mailed to the Board prior to the meeting. The approval of the Emergency Rule on Annual Increment Pay and the 2006-2007 Budget were also moved to the consent agenda.

After discussion, Mr. Isaacs moved approval of the items on the Consent Agenda, as amended. The motion was seconded, and the following items were unanimously approved:

### 1. Appointments to County Extension Service Committees

Resolved: That the West Virginia University Board of Governors approves, as presented, the nominees and alternates for positions on the County Extension Service Committees in West Virginia.

### 2. Program Review Recommendations – Graduate Programs

Resolved: That the West Virginia University Board of Governors approves the recommendations of the Program Review Committee for 2005-2006 regarding Graduate Programs.

### 3. Policy Approvals

Resolved: That the West Virginia University Board of Governors approves the following policies:

- Accreditation & Degree Standards
- Affirmative Action/Equal Employment Opportunity
- Assessment, Payment & Refund of Fees
- Board of Governors' Meetings

- Computer & Computer Equipment Donation Program
- Emeritus Status
- Fiscal Responsibility
- Procurement & Purchasing
- Sexual Harassment
- Disposition & Sale of Surplus/Excess Property
- Student Tuition and Fee Waivers
- Separation of Academic Programs and Personnel at Administratively Linked Institutions (WVUIT & C&TC of WVUIT)
- Program Review and Termination (C&TC at WVUIT)
- Investment Policy
- Investment Management Agency Agreement (not a policy)

## 4. Engineering Building Renovation & Expansion

Resolved: That the West Virginia University Board of Governors approves a proposed new building renovation / expansion project at the southeast corner of the Engineering Sciences building located on the Evansdale campus of West Virginia University.

## 5. Performance Contracting, Phase 1

Resolved: That the West Virginia University Board of Governors approves Performance Contracting, Phase 1 at West Virginia University.

## 6. Salary Increase Program

Resolved: That the West Virginia University Board of Governors endorses the salary increase programs at West Virginia University, West Virginia University at Parkersburg, West Virginia University Institute of Technology and the Community & Technical College at WVUIT.

## 7. Increase in Potomac State College Project Budget

Resolved: That the West Virginia University Board of Governors approves the increase of the Potomac State College Housing project budget to \$19,000,000.

## 8. Approval of the 2006-2007 Budget.

Resolved: the West Virginia University Board of Governors approves the 2006-2007 Budget as presented.

## 9. Approval of the Emergency Policy on Annual Increment Payments.

Resolved: the West Virginia University Board of Governors approves the Emergency Policy on Annual Increment Pay.

## **OTHER BUSINESS**

Chairman Leech thanked Joe Campbell for his outstanding service on the Board of Governors as the representative of the West Virginia University at Parkersburg Board of Advisors, and presented him with a Resolution from the Board. He also thanked out going board members D.J. Casto and Rod Thorn for their service, and noted their Resolutions would be sent to them. Mr. Goodwin, newly elected Chairman of the Board of Governors, thanked Mr. Leech for his leadership of the Board, and presented him with a framed resolution and souvenir gavel and a WVU rocking chair from the gubernatorial appointees on the Board.

Mr. Leech thanked everyone for their support and gifts, and especially thanked the University staff and President Hardesty for their support and assistance during his chairmanship.

Mr. Goodwin thanked the Board for the opportunity to serve as Chairman, and noted how proud he is to be serving his alma mater in this manner. He expressed his pride in the board, and his hope to continue the outstanding leadership established by the prior board chairmen.

Mr. Petroplus reported that he had recently attended freshman orientation at WVU with his son, and was very impressed with WVU's student centeredness.

### NEXT MEETING

Mr. Leech announced that the next meeting will be on September 7-8, 2006 in Morgantown.

## ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 11:30 a.m.

Elizabeth E. Chilton Secretary