

WEST VIRGINIA UNIVERSITY
BOARD OF GOVERNORS

November 9, 2018

The one hundred sixty-fourth meeting of the West Virginia University Board of Governors was held on November 9, 2018 in Morgantown, WV. Board members in attendance/participating by telephone included David Alvarez, Marty Becker, Elmer Coppoolse, Thomas Flaherty, Thomas Heywood, Dr. Stanley Hileman, J. Thomas Jones, Lisa A. Martin, Taunja Willis Miller, Isaac Obioma, Ed Robinson, J. Robert (J.R.) Rogers, Benjamin Statler, Dr. Matthew Valenti, Dr. Kimberly Weaver, and William Wilmoth.

**WVU officers, divisional campus officers, representatives (and others)
present included:**

President, E. Gordon Gee;
Vice President, Legal, Government and Entrepreneurial Engagement, Rob Alsop;
Provost, Joyce McConnell;
General Counsel, Stephanie Taylor;
Vice Provost, John Campbell;
Vice President and Chief Financial Officer, Paula Congelio;
Vice President for Research, Fred King;
Vice President for Diversity, Equity and Inclusion, Meshea Poore;
Vice President for Global Strategies in Higher Education, William Brustein;
Associate Provost for Budget, Facilities and Strategic Initiatives,
Mark Gavin;
Dean of Student, Corey Farris;
Executive Officer and Assistant Board Secretary, Jennifer Fisher;
Interim President, West Virginia University Institute of Technology
at Beckley, Jerry Lang;
President, Potomac State College of West Virginia University, Jennifer Orlikoff;
Associate Vice President for Academic Affairs, WVU Health Sciences,
Louise Veselicky;
Assistant Vice President for Marketing and Outreach, University Relations,
Ann Berry;
Deputy General Counsel, Gary G. Furbee, II;
Assistant Vice President for Global Strategy and International Affairs,
Amber Brugnoli;
Associate Vice President of Enrollment Management, Stephen Lee;
Assistant Vice President for Student Life Communications, Sabrina Cave;
Associate VP for Planning & Treasury Operations, Elizabeth Reynolds;
Student Affairs Chief Business and Planning Officer, Les Carpenter;

Assistant Vice President for Entrepreneurship and Innovation, Carrie White;
Chair and Professor, Economics, Joshua Hall;
Senior Executive Director of Communications, University Relations,
John Bolt; 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 Chairman William Wilmoth, at 8:30 a.m. A roll call was taken to determine who was in attendance and a quorum established.

BOARD PRESENTATION Academic Affairs Updates

Provost Joyce McConnell shared the following Academic Affairs Updates:

- WVU's Gay Stewart joins luminaries Carl Sagan, Richard Feynman and numerous Nobel laureates as a recipient of the Hans Christian Oersted Medal from the American Association of Physics Teachers. The Award recognizes an individual who has had outstanding, widespread, and lasting impact on the teaching of physics. Stewart is the Eberly Distinguished Professor of STEM Education in the Physics and Astronomy Department and director of the Center for Excellence in STEM Education.
- WVU continues to be part of a multimillion-dollar effort across a 10-university alliance to support STEM education in Appalachia. Funded for a third phase by a five-year, \$3.5 million NSF grant, the Louis Stokes Alliance for Minority Participation will examine underrepresented students' perceptions of science, technology, engineering, and math disciplines and careers and work to improve recruitment, retention, and graduation rates of these students.
- An interdisciplinary team of WVU researchers is investigating how children's health and education outcomes can be improved through school-based health centers. To address these challenges, Simon Haeder, assistant professor of political science, and Sara Anderson, assistant professor of child development and family studies, have been selected to participate in the Robert Wood Johnson Foundation's Interdisciplinary Research Leaders Program.

- Robert Bossarte, an associate professor in the WVU School of Public Health, has received a \$13.3-million award from The Patient-Centered Outcomes Research Institute to study online cognitive behavior therapy as a treatment for depression. Bossarte directs the WVU Injury Control Research Center and teaches in the WVU School of Medicine. His work could be especially advantageous for depressed patients in Appalachia who live far from providers of in-person therapy.
- Three outstanding young women at WVU have been named finalists for the Rhodes Scholarship. Emma Harrison and Andrea Pettit, both from Morgantown, and Virginia “Ginny” Thrasher of Springfield, Virginia, will interview with the Rhodes District XI Committee of Selection in Chicago Nov.16-17. The Rhodes Scholarship provides all expenses for 2 to 4 years of study at the University of Oxford in England.
- James F. Wood, a long-time energy executive and the current director of the WVU-managed U.S.-China Clean Energy Research Center, Advanced Coal Technology Consortium, has been appointed interim director of the West Virginia Energy Institute. He will replace Brian Anderson, who has been chosen to lead the National Energy Technology Laboratory, an agency of the U.S. Department of Energy.
- Karen Diaz has been appointed permanent dean of WVU libraries, after having served as interim dean since July 2017. In April, she was among 17 top academic library directors to be selected as Library Senior Fellows at UCLA, where she attended a 3-week development program. At WVU, Diaz has led many new initiatives through the libraries, including the launch of the Research Repository, the Research Commons, and other programs on textbook affordability and open access resources.
- Keith Jackson, interim dean of the College of Creative Arts has been appointed to the position permanently. Jackson stepped into the role of interim dean following former dean Paul Kreider’s appointment to associate provost for undergraduate education in the Office of the Provost. Jackson has been a member of the music faculty since 1995, serving as both a professor of music and director of the School of Music prior to his initial appointment as interim dean.
- Dan Robison will be leaving his position as dean of the Davis College to serve as dean of Iowa State University’s College of Agriculture and Life Sciences next spring. Since his appointment in 2012, Robison has overseen the development of

several new facilities and record student enrollment and retention. Ken Blemings, current dean of the Honors College, will serve as interim dean of the Davis College when Robison departs.

- To conclude her report, Provost McConnell introduced Carrie White, recently named Assistant Vice President for Entrepreneurship and Innovation at WVU. Provost McConnell indicated that this is a crucial time for fostering an entrepreneurial spirit at WVU and throughout West Virginia, as we set our sights on moving West Virginia Forward through economic development, helping new and small business owners, inventors, innovators and creative thinkers to achieve a brighter future for the state. Carrie White was named the director of the WVU LaunchLab in 2016, where she provided guidance and resources to more than 1,800 students interested in starting their own businesses or innovations, developing new products or starting community-based enterprises. She has also advised WVU students at national pitch and business plan competitions, where they have collectively won close to \$100,000 in funding. In 2017-2018, Carrie created a tremendously successful series of pitch competitions on campus, in which more than 65 students and teams competed, and, as a member of the IDEA Hub leadership team, hosted WVU's first Demo Day to showcase university-wide innovation for the campus and community.

**BOARD PRESENTATION AND POSSIBLE ACTION:
APPROVAL OF BOG MODIFICATIONS OF POLICIES AND NEW RULES SET
FORTH IN THE NOTICE OF PROPOSED RULEMAKING APPROVED ON
SEPTEMBER 21, 2018**

Chairman Wilmoth called upon Deputy General Counsel, Gary G. Furbee, II, who provided an overview related to the approval of new rules. Mr. Furbee stated that at the Board's September 21, 2018 meeting, it issued a Notice of Proposed Rulemaking for the new Rules referenced below. The proposed changes are to amend, approve, rename/renumber, and, in some cases, repeal the current Policies in order to implement new Rules in accordance with W. Va. House Bill 2542 (2017) and W. Va. House Bill 2815 (2017). To that end, the term "Policy" will be replaced with "Rule" and these Policies will be reformatted to the new design for BOG Rules, renumbered, and standard terms will be used when applicable. Moreover, all BOG Rules will be updated to supersede and repeal W. Va. Higher Education Policy Commission Rules, where applicable. Additional specific changes were set forth in detail in the table that was included in the September 21, 2018 Notice of Proposed Rulemaking, attached to this agenda item in today's meeting agenda booklet.

Mr. Furbee went over the rules in question, namely:

- BOG Finance and Administration Rule 5.10 – Investments (replaces BOG Policy 43 – Investment Policy)
- BOG Finance and Administration Rule 5.11 – Debt (replaces BOG Policy 52 – Debt Policy)
- BOG Finance and Administration Rule 5.12 – Disposition of Property (replaces BOG Policy 25A-Surplus Property-WVU; BOG Policy 25B-Surplus Property-Regionals; and BOG Policy 33-Computer Donation Program)
- BOG Finance and Administration Rule 5.13 – Tuition and Fees, Waivers, Payment and Reductions (Replaces BOG Policy 14-Reduced Tuition & Fees for Residents at least 65 years old; BOG Policy 20-Student Tuition & Fee Waivers; BOG Policy 21-Funding of Intercollegiate Athletics; and BOG Policy 39-Assessment, Payment and Refund of Fees)
- BOG Student Life Rule 6.1 – Student Rights and Responsibilities; Student Conduct (replaces BOG Policy 10-Student Rights & Responsibilities; and BOG Policy 31-University Student Code and Discipline Policy)
- BOG Academic Rule 2.3 – Undergraduate Admissions (contains technical issues for consideration and amendment)
- BOG Faculty Rule 4.5 – Modification of Duties for Certain Full-Time Faculty; Extension of Tenure-Clock (contains technical issues for consideration and amendment)

The proposed changes to the new Rules were posted for the required thirty (30) day public comment period. No comments were received. No revisions were made to the Rules outside of any typos and nits.

J. Thomas Jones moved to amend BOG Finance and Administration Rule 5.11 – Debt, by adding the following: “Section 2.5.2.3 The University shall strive to maintain an “A rating” or higher according to Moody’s and Standard and Poor’s.” This motion was seconded by Marty Becker and passed. Thereafter, following a brief discussion J. Robert (J. R.) Rogers moved that the Board of Governors approves the final amended Rules listed above, as presented and amended. This motion was seconded by Ed Robinson and passed.

**BOARD PRESENTATION AND POSSIBLE ACTION:
NOTICE OF PROPOSED RULEMAKING FOR GOVERNANCE RULE 1.4**

Chairman Wilmoth called upon Deputy General Counsel, Gary G. Furbee, II, who provided an overview related to this Notice of Proposed Rulemaking. Mr. Furbee explained that the proposed changes are to amend, approve, rename/renumber, and, in some cases, repeal the current policies in order to implement new rules in accordance with W. Va. House Bill 2815 (2017). To that end, the term “Policy” will be replaced with “Rule” and these policies will be reformatted to the new design for BOG Rules, renumbered, and standard terms will be used when applicable. Moreover, all BOG Rules will be updated to supersede and repeal W. Va. Higher Education Policy Commission Rules, where applicable.

Substantively, the proposed changes to the policy in question will result in additions, amendments, or repeals as set forth in detail in the table located in the Notice of Proposed Rulemaking, attached to this agenda item in today’s meeting agenda booklet. Mr. Furbee described the content of the proposed rule and the process involved in developing and vetting the same. The Board of Governors Policy and/or Rule involved cover:

- BOG Policy 17 – Ethics – will be amended as Governance Rule 1.4 Ethics, Conflict of Interest, and Outside Consulting Arrangements

Mr. Furbee noted that in developing and vetting this rule, the legal department worked with members from the Research Corporation, Health Sciences, an Ad Hoc Faculty Committee, and members of the Faculty Senate, and of whom had an opportunity to review and vet this proposed rule. Mr. Furbee then covered the specific changes involved with this new rule.

Following the issuance of the Notice of Proposed Rulemaking, the proposed changes to the Policy and Rule will be posted for the required thirty (30) day public comment period from November 13, 2018 through December 12, 2018. Any comments received will be summarized and presented to the board. Following any proposed changes, the final Rule will then be presented to the full board for review and approval.

Following a brief discussion, Thomas Heywood moved that the Board of Governors approve the Notice of Proposed Rulemaking, as presented. Said motion was seconded by Dr. Kimberly Weaver and passed.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Chairman Wilmoth requested a motion that the Board go into Executive Session, under authority in West Virginia Code §§6-9A-4(b)(2)(A), (b)(9), and (b)(12) to discuss legal, personnel, and deliberative matters; matters not considered public records; matters related to construction planning, commercial competition matters, the purchase, sale or lease of property, and/or the investment of public funds. The motion was made by David Alvarez, seconded by Lisa A. Martin and passed. Following the conclusion of Executive Session, J. Robert (J.R.) Rogers moved that the Board rise from Executive Session. This motion was seconded by Thomas Heywood and passed.

DISCUSSIONS/ACTIONS EMANATING FROM EXECUTIVE SESSION

Chairman Wilmoth stated that there were no actions emanating from today's Executive Session discussions.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Dr. Kimberly Weaver moved that the minutes of the September 21, 2018 regular meeting and October 23, 2018 special meeting be approved. The motion was seconded by David Alvarez and passed

COMMITTEE REPORTS

November 8, 2018 Audit Committee Meeting: Audit Committee Chairman, David Alvarez, reported on yesterday's Audit Committee meeting - during which committee members received a report from the Chief Financial Officer, and then moved to executive session – wherein they received a report from WVU's General Counsel, and a report from the Director of Internal Audit. Chairman Alvarez advised that there were no actions emanating from said Executive Session.

November 8, 2018 – Joint Audit and Finance and Facilities and Revitalization Committee Meeting: Audit Chairman Alvarez reported that while in Executive Session members of WVU's External Audit Firm, CliftonLarsonAllen, appeared before this joint committee meeting - along with the participation from other Board of Governors members (resulting in a quorum of all board members being present) – to facilitate a discussion and answer any questions posed by board members – related to the FY 2018 Financial Statements and Audit Reports for both West Virginia University and West Virginia University Research Corporation, both prepared by this firm.

Chair Alvarez also reported that the Audit Committee accepted and approved both the FY 2018 Financial Statements and Audit Reports for West Virginia University and West Virginia University Research Corporation –and further that it is recommended that the full board accept and approve both of these sets of Financial Statements and Audit Reports - as part of today’s Consent Agenda.

Chair Alvarez then called upon Vice President and Chief Financial Officer, Paula Congelio, for an overview of the FY 2018 Financial Statements and Audit Report for West Virginia University and the FY 2018 Financial Statements and Audit Report for West Virginia University Research Corporation.

The following are highlights from the FY 2018 Financial Statements and Audit Report for West Virginia University:

OVERALL:

- The financial statements earned an unqualified (clean) audit opinion.
- Financial statements continue to be heavily influenced by extraordinary items and significant accrual-based activities.
- WVU’s total net position increased by \$56.6 million (including a \$15.5 million cumulative effect of change in accounting principle as a result of adopting GASB Statement 75 related to accounting and reporting of OPEB transactions).
- WVU’s unadjusted operating margin, before capital related revenues, was positive \$13.5 million. After adjusting for the extraordinary events/items, the operating margin is increased to \$32.0 million.
- The University continues to invest in its employees and facilities as evidenced by increases in salaries & wages and capital assets.
- The University’s balance sheet remains stable with adequate working capital (current assets less current liabilities) to meet current obligations.

ASSETS

- Total assets of the University increased by \$32.8 million or 1.5% over prior year for a total of approximately \$2.2 billion.
- Current accounts receivable due from public private partnerships increased by \$2.2 million from the prior year. This represents amounts due for reimbursable expenses, management fees and additional rent.
- Net capital assets increased by \$6.9 million as a result of the acquisition, construction and improvement of land, buildings and infrastructure.
- Restricted cash and investments decreased by approximately \$20 million due to a decrease in bond proceeds on deposit with the Trustees for construction and renovation of campus facilities.
- Investments increased by \$12.9 million primarily due to investments of bond proceeds in U.S. Treasury notes and bonds.
- The current ratio increased to 1.45x.

LIABILITIES

- Total liabilities (including deferred inflows of resources) decreased by approximately \$12.1 million or 1.0% from last year for a total of \$1.2 billion.
- Accounts payable increased by \$6.6 million due to an increase in unpaid invoices at year end.
- Accrued liabilities (current) increased by \$4.1 million primarily due to an increase in accounts payable related to payroll.
- Advances from federal government decreased by \$4.4 million due to the return of Federal Perkins loan funds to the federal government.
- Bonds payable decreased by \$16.1 million mainly due to scheduled bond principal payments during the year.
- The University recorded \$158.4 million as its proportionate share of the net OPEB liability at June 30, 2018 in accordance with new governmental accounting requirements. The OPEB liability decreased by \$33.0 million from the previous year.

REVENUES

- Total revenues (including capital) increased by approximately \$23.1 million or 2.1% from the previous year, to \$1.1 billion.
- Total non-capital related revenues increased by \$37.7 million (or 3.6%) over the previous year.
 - Tuition & fee revenues, net increased \$16.4 million from the previous year primarily due to an average increase in the fee rate of 5% for both resident and non-resident students and record first time freshmen enrollment at the Morgantown Campus.
 - Non-capital grant and contracts revenue increased by \$18.6 million from the previous year mainly due to increased mission support payments from affiliated entities.
 - Auxiliary revenue, net decreased by \$5.3 million primarily due to a decrease in athletics revenue and room and board revenue.
 - State appropriations decreased by \$6.4 million due to a decrease in the base budget allocation from the State.
 - Payments on behalf of the University increased by \$9.0 million due to recognition of the University's proportionate share of contributions made by the State to the OPEB plan on behalf of participating employers.
 - Gift revenue increased by \$12.1 million primarily due to an increase in WVU Foundation funds used to pay for academic scholarships as well as an increase in expenses on the Foundation backbill accounts, which are reimbursed by the Foundation.
- Capital revenues decreased by \$14.6 million primarily due to the transfer of capital assets to the University for University Park and the Market at the Health Sciences Center from its public private partners during fiscal year 2017.

EXPENSES

- Total expenses decreased by approximately \$9.6 million or .9% from the previous year.
- Salaries and wages increased by \$3.3 million from the previous year, including approximately \$1 million for a critical retention and market raise program effective April 1,

2018.

- Benefits expense decreased by \$3.5 million from the prior year primarily due to decreases in salary-related benefits, tuition waivers to faculty, staff and graduate assistants and pension expense.
- Expenses for supplies and other services decreased by approximately \$3.3 million from the previous year due to overall cost containment across campus.
- Depreciation and amortization expense decreased by \$2.2 million.
- Other operating expenses decreased by \$3.5 million primarily due to a decrease in expenses related to the Voluntary Separation Incentives Plan.

The following are highlights from the FY 2018 Financial Statements and Single Audit Compliance Report for West Virginia University Research Corporation:

OVERALL:

- The financial statements earned an unqualified (clean) audit opinion.
- The Corporation's total net position decreased by \$7.9 million.
- The Corporation's operating margin, before capital grants and gifts and transfers of assets, was negative \$3.9 million.
- The Corporation's balance sheet remains stable with adequate working capital (current assets less current liabilities) to meet current obligations.

ASSETS

- Total assets of the Corporation increased by \$5.4 million or 4.2% over prior year for a total of approximately \$134.5 million.
- Net capital assets increased by \$1.6.
- Total investments increased by approximately \$500,000; total investments held and managed by the WVU Foundation increased to a total of \$11.6 million
- Current accounts receivable, net increased by \$3.2 million due to an increase in accounts receivable on sponsored awards.
- The current ratio increased to 1.6x.

LIABILITIES

- Total liabilities (including deferred inflows of resources) increased by approximately \$13.3 million or 15.5% from last year for a total of \$98.9 million.
- Accounts payable decreased by \$2.6 million due to a decrease in unpaid invoices at year end.
- Unearned revenue decreased by \$900,000 due to a decrease in unearned revenue on sponsored awards.

REVENUES

- Total revenues (including capital) increased by approximately \$1.8 million from the previous year, to \$133.6 million.
- Sales and services of educational activities decreased by \$1.5 million

- primarily due to the sale of a technology patent in fiscal year 2017.
- Nongovernmental grants and contracts revenue increased by \$2.4 million due to an increase in the number of private awards received in fiscal year 2018.
 - Revenue from federal grants and contracts increased by \$5.2 million mainly due to the renewal of the Clinical and Translational Science Institute federal grant.
 - Gift revenue increased by approximately \$3.3 million due to an increase in expenditures on WVU Foundation backbill accounts; these expenditures are reimbursed by the Foundation.
 - Capital revenues decreased by \$7.5 million primarily due to cost share obligations being met on a federal award.

EXPENSES

- Total expenses (excluding transfer of assets) increased by \$4.4 million to \$136.1 million.
- Salaries and wages increased by \$1.8 million primarily due to an increase in Corporation employees and State employees paid by the Corporation.
- Supplies and other services increased by \$900,000 primarily due to an increase in the allowance for uncollectible accounts for sponsored awards.

November 8, 2018 Academic Affairs and Accreditation Committee Meeting: Thomas Heywood, chairman of this committee, reported that the committee received many reports and updates on strategic strategies, tuition and fees and retention efforts, and no board action was taken.

November 8, 2018 Joint Finance and Facilities and Revitalization/Strategic Plans and Initiatives Committee Meeting: Marty Becker, chairman of the Strategic Plans and Initiatives Committee, reported on this joint committee meeting, during which there were Execution Session discussions that included a number of updates on projects, issues, financial reports and budgetary matters, and no board action was taken.

PRESIDENT’S REPORT

President Gee offered the following comments:

- President Gee began his report with an overview of the recent trip to Bahrain that included WVU officials and board member, Benjamin Statler.

WVU Day of Giving

- Next week, on November 14, the WVU Foundation will hold its second annual Day of Giving, a 24-hour online fundraising effort that offers an easy way for University supporters to contribute to the University.
- Last year, the inaugural WVU Day of Giving raised nearly \$3 million.
- As higher education costs increase and available funding decreases, private support is critical to help move the University and state forward
- The Day of Giving is a great fundraising vehicle to support our top priorities and opportunities, including scholarships and unrestricted funds at both the University and unit-specific levels.
- The Day of Giving is a University-wide event including the main campus in Morgantown, Health Sciences and the divisional campuses.

Creating an entrepreneurial culture

- Creating and supporting a strong entrepreneurial culture in West Virginia is a major University priority, which makes our announcement today about a major donor commitment especially exciting.
- Our University has taken several other recent steps to advance business creation.
- First, we joined a new partnership to advance and commercialize technologies that can improve lives here in West Virginia, across Appalachia and beyond.
- With 23 other regional institutions, we are creating a “virtual hub” to speed the commercialization of groundbreaking university research.
- On this project, our University will collaborate with XLerateHealth, a small business that focuses on healthcare technology startups and commercialization.
- The hub will help accelerate cutting-edge biomedical technologies and products move from the laboratory into the marketplace and commercialize new innovation in pharmaceuticals, medical devices, healthcare IT and electronics.
- With the University of Kentucky and the University of Louisville, we will co-lead the academic side of this effort and organized a consortium of participating regional universities to collaborate with XLerateHealth.
- This biomedical technology accelerator will provide unparalleled opportunities to bring the brightest minds together to advance and commercialize technologies that can truly make a difference in people's lives here in West Virginia, across Appalachia and beyond.

Global business consortium

- Through another new partnership, West Virginia University is joining forces with two institutions to advance international business education and research.

- The Robbins Center for Global Business and Strategy, in the College of Business and Economics, has joined an international regional business consortium with George Washington University, and is included in its Center for International Business Education and Research, or CIBER. The University of Richmond has also joined the consortium.
- The U.S. Congress created CIBERs to increase and promote international understanding and help U.S. businesses succeed in global markets. Currently, 17 universities are designated as CIBERs and serve as regional and national resources for businesses, students, educators and academics.
- CIBER membership will help our University access information about best practices and other available resources that can help with internationalization efforts.
- Students will get to interact with and learn from other consortia institutions through joint activities and networking, and faculty have opportunities for collaborative teaching, research and outreach.
- Stuart M. and Joyce N. Robbins created the Robbins Center with a \$2 million gift in 2011, with the goal of supporting international business opportunities for students and faculty at the WVU College of Business and Economics.

Creating a media ownership pipeline

- Meanwhile, the Reed College of Media has received a grant from the Claude Worthington Benedum Foundation to recruit, develop and train the next generation of independent community newspaper owners.
- The program anticipates that a number of West Virginia's small-market newspaper owners and publishers will be ready to retire and sell their news operations over the next several years, creating potential news "deserts" in their local communities.
- The grant will support the development of a three-year program designed to recruit and train new potential owners and to help current owners prepare their businesses for sale.
- A key component of the program will be a year-long fellowship for potential new owners, located at the West Virginia Reed College of Media. Fellows will receive training in both journalism and business practices with an emphasis on digital transition and new funding models for media.

LaunchLab News

- Finally, I am pleased to report that Carrie White, former director of our LaunchLab, has been named assistant vice president for entrepreneurship and innovation. Provost McConnell introduced Carrie this morning during her Academic Affairs update, but I wanted to again congratulate her.

INFORMATION ITEMS

There were no questions or concerns expressed by any Board members pertaining to the Information Items contained within the agenda.

CONSENT AGENDA

Chairman Wilmoth called for any discussion of today's Consent Agenda items and asked whether any items needed to be pulled for a separate discussion/vote. There being no such request made, Thomas Flaherty moved that today's Consent Agenda be approved. This motion was seconded by J. Thomas Jones and passed.

Thereupon, the following Consent Agenda items were approved:

- 1. Termination of Graduate Certificate: Gerontology**
Resolved: That the West Virginia University Board of Governors approves the termination of the Certificate in Gerontology in the Eberly College of Arts and Sciences.
- 2. Termination of Graduate Certificate: Women's Health**
Resolved: That the West Virginia University Board of Governors approves the termination of the Certificate in Women's Health in the School of Public Health.
- 3. Approval of New Certificate: Community Development Policy and Practice**
Resolved: That the West Virginia University Board of Governors approves the creation of the Certificate in Community Development Policy and Practice in the Eberly College of Arts and Sciences.
- 4. Appointment to County Extension Committees**
Resolved: That the West Virginia University Board of Governors approves the nominees and alternates for positions on the County Extension Service Committees in West Virginia, as presented.
- 5. Receipt and Acceptance of FY 2018 Financial Statements and Audit Report for West Virginia University**
Resolved: That the West Virginia University Board of Governors accepts the FY 2018 Financial Statements and Audit Report for West Virginia University, as presented.

6. Receipt and Acceptance of FY 2018 Financial Statements and Single Audit Compliance Report for West Virginia University Research Corporation

Resolved: That the West Virginia University Board of Governors accepts the FY 2018 Financial Statements and Single Audit Compliance Report for West Virginia University Research Corporation, as presented.

ADJOURNMENT

Chairman Wilmoth announced that the Board will conduct its next regular meeting on December 14, 2018 in Morgantown. There being no further business to come before the Board, Isaac Obioma moved to adjourn the meeting. The motion was seconded by J. Robert (J.R.) Rogers and passed. The meeting was adjourned at 10:50 a.m.

Taunja Willis Miller, Secretary