

**MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE  
BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF  
EASTERN ILLINOIS UNIVERSITY  
CHARLESTON, IL**

**November 19, 2010**

A meeting of the Board of Trustees was convened on November 19, 2010, at 1:00 p.m. in the Grand Ballroom of the Martin Luther King, Jr., University Union, Eastern Illinois University, Charleston, Illinois. Mr. Welch, Chair, presided.

**Roll Call**

Mr. Kratochvil	Present
Ms. Nimmons	Present
Mr. O'Rourke	Not Present
Dr. Webb	Present
Mr. Welch	Present
Mr. Wiessing	Present
Mr. Yost	Present

Also present were the following:

- Dr. William L. Perry, President
- Dr. Blair Lord, Provost and Vice President for Academic Affairs
- Dr. Dan Nadler, Vice President for Student Affairs
- Dr. William Weber, Vice President for Business Affairs
- Mr. Robert Martin, Vice President for University Advancement
- Mr. Robert Miller, General Counsel
- Ms. Cynthia Nichols, Director of Civil Rights and Diversity
- Ms. Judy Gorrell, Executive Secretary to the President and Assistant Secretary, Board of Trustees
- Mr. Brad Ingram, Board Counsel
- Mr. Paul McCann, Treasurer, Board of Trustees

**Executive Session**

Dr. Webb moved that the Board of Trustees convene into Executive Session to consider the employment of employees as permitted by Section 2.C.1 of the Open Meetings Act, collective negotiating matters as permitted by Section 2.C.2 of the Open Meetings Act, and pending, probable and imminent litigation as permitted by Section 2.C.11 of the Open Meetings Act.

Ms. Nimmons seconded the motion.

Roll was called and the vote was as follows:

Mr. Kratochvil	Yes
Ms. Nimmons	Yes
Dr. Webb	Yes
Mr. Wiessing	Yes
Mr. Yost	Yes
Mr. Welch	Yes

Motion carried.

Dr. Webb moved to return to Open Session. Mr. Welch seconded the motion.

Roll was called and the vote was as follows:

Mr. Kratochvil	Yes
Ms. Nimmons	Yes
Dr. Webb	Yes
Mr. Wiessing	Yes
Mr. Yost	Yes
Mr. Welch	Yes

Motion carried.

### **Action Items**

1. Dr. Webb moved to approve the minutes of the Board Meeting on September 3, 2010. Mr. Kratochvil seconded the motion.

Roll was called and the vote was as follows:

Mr. Kratochvil	Yes
Ms. Nimmons	Yes
Dr. Webb	Yes
Mr. Wiessing	Yes
Mr. Yost	Yes
Mr. Welch	Yes

Motion carried.

2. Executive Session Minutes – Mr. Ingram reported that no action is to be taken at this time.
3. Mr. Yost moved to approve the Masonry Tuck Pointing at Booth Library from Mason’s Masonry Restoration, Inc., Brownstown, IL at a cost of \$320,400 which includes a \$29,140 contingency. This purchase is for extensive masonry tuck pointing at all levels of the original Booth Library building. The fund source is appropriated funds. Dr. Webb seconded the motion.

Roll was called and the vote was as follows:

Mr. Kratochvil	Yes
Ms. Nimmons	Yes
Dr. Webb	Yes
Mr. Wiessing	Yes
Mr. Yost	Yes
Mr. Welch	Yes

Motion carried.

4. Mr. Kratochvil moved to approve the tuition rate change for undergraduate students from Kentucky, Iowa, Indiana, Missouri, and Wisconsin from 3.0 times the in-state rate to 1.0 times the in-state rate. Ms. Nimmons seconded the motion.

Roll was called and the vote was as follows:

Mr. Kratochvil	Yes
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Ms. Nimmons	Yes
Dr. Webb	Yes
Mr. Wiessing	Yes
Mr. Yost	Yes
Mr. Welch	Yes

- Mr. Kratochvil moved to grant faculty rank at the level of Assistant Professor to Mr. Robert Michael (Mike) Watts, Director of the Tarble Arts Center. Such action is consistent with Board of Trustees Regulations II.B.3.a., and is endorsed unanimously by the tenured/tenure-track faculty of the Department of Art as reported by Mr. Glenn Hild, Chairperson of the Department. Granting faculty rank to Mr. Watts does not establish a faculty tenure-track line in the Department of Art or at the University. Ms. Nimmons seconded the motion

Roll was called and the vote was as follows:

Mr. Kratochvil	Yes
Ms. Nimmons	Yes
Dr. Webb	Yes
Mr. Wiessing	Yes
Mr. Yost	Yes
Mr. Welch	Yes

Motion carried.

- Mr. Kratochvil moved to change the date of the September 2011 Board meeting from September 2 to September 16, which would allow the board members to attend the Athletic Hall of Fame activities. Mr. Yost seconded the motion.

Roll was called and the vote was as follows:

Mr. Kratochvil	Yes
Ms. Nimmons	No
Dr. Webb	Yes
Mr. Wiessing	Yes
Mr. Yost	Yes
Mr. Welch	Yes

Motion carried.

Mr. Yost left the meeting at approximately 1:50 p.m. following the Action Items.

### **Information Items**

### **President's Report**

Dr. Perry asked Dr. Weber to make a presentation regarding the campus master plan update. Dr. Weber introduced Brandon Lipman, of Loeb, Schlossman, & Hackl, Inc., who served as consultant for the master plan update. Mr. Littman mentioned numerous changes that will be made as part of the campus master plan update. These changes include moving, relocating, or expanding 41 departments on campus. Mr. Littman also shared information on two sites on campus that are viable for expansion or building -- the site adjacent to the steam plant, and the area south of the Tarble Arts Center. The steam plant site will eventually become home to Student Services and IT Services, while the area south of Tarble is where the new science building will be located.

Dr. Perry asked Dr. Lord to share information on faculty achievement. Dr. Lord introduced Dean Bonnie Irwin, who discussed the Center for Translational Humanities on campus. Dean Irwin then introduced Dr. Julie Campbell, who provided a report on the Center for Renaissance Studies at the Newbury Library in Chicago, which has invited Eastern Illinois University to join their Renaissance Studies Consortium.

### **Report from Board Chair**

Mr. Welch provided information on the Education/Finance Study Commission report, which shows that Illinois produces more credentials at a lower cost than the national average, including public research universities, public masters, and community colleges.

### **Committee Reports**

Executive/Planning Committee – Mr. Welch shared that there was a report on the NCAA reaccreditation visit, a strategic planning update, a budget update, an update on the campaign for EIU, and an update on legislative issues and the university borrowing bill.

Board Relations Committee – Ms. Nimmons expressed appreciation to several people and departments for their assistance to the External Steering Committee, and their work on the campaign kick-off event. Ms. Nimmons also shared that an update was given on donor recognition, Foundation awards, and new members of the Foundation Board.

Finance/Audit Committee – Dr. Webb reported that the committee met with Sherry McRaven, Internal Auditor, and is satisfied that procedures and processes are in line with all rules and regulations.

Board Regulations – No report.

Academic and Student Affairs Committee – Mr. Welch shared information on a report generated by the Illinois Community College System regarding institutions offering dual credit. He also mentioned updates on teacher accreditation, the textbook rental service, faculty development issues, shuttle bus operations, and student community service.

### **Earned Degrees Report**

Dr. Lord reported that 2990 degrees were awarded in 2010, which is down very slightly from the previous year. Elementary Education continues to be the largest undergraduate major, and Educational Administration is the largest Master's Degree program.

### **Alumni Association Report**

Mr. Gary Miller, President of the EIU Alumni Association, provided an overview of alumni activities. He reported that the Alumni Association tries to hold 35 to 40 events annually, and so far this year has held 17. These events have been attended by nearly 1500 alumni and guests. The Alumni Association also continues to publish an Alumni Association magazine twice annually. The current issue includes a feature on the university's capital campaign, and will be mailed to more than 84,000 households. Mr. Miller reported that nine alumni were honored with alumni awards during Homecoming weekend. He also mentioned the association's annual budget and support of various programs on campus, including funding for some alumni events.

### **Enrollment Report, Summer and Fall 2010**

Dr. Lord reported that there has been a slight decline in enrollment numbers, both for summer and fall enrollment. The fall enrollment of 11,630 is still quite close to previous goals of 12,000.

## **Reports from Constituencies**

Faculty Senate – Dr. John Pommier gave a brief report, and mentioned a forum that was co-sponsored by the Faculty Senate and UPI. The forum was entitled “Funding Public Education, Who Pays and How”. Speakers included Walter McMann from the University of Illinois at Champaign, Dr. Derek Markley and Dr. Charles Delman, both from EIU. The outcome of the forum was the development of a resolution regarding higher education finance, which has been forwarded to the IBHE and the Council of Illinois University Senates.

Student Government - Aaron Wiessing provided a Student Government report on behalf of Student Body President Michelle Murphy, who was ill. Mr. Wiessing mentioned upcoming student government elections, and the fact that there are 20 student government seats to be filled. He also mentioned the newly designed Student Government webpage, and the kick-off meeting for Panther Nation for basketball season.

## **Summary of Purchases \$100,000 – \$249,999**

<b><u>Vendor</u></b>	<b><u>Type of Purchase</u></b>	<b><u>Bids</u></b>	<b><u>Amount</u></b>
Tiger Direct	Wireless hardware for Lincoln/Douglas & Thomas residence halls.	4	\$130,521
Conference Technologies & Perlmutter Purchasing Power (split award)	Projectors & related items for classrooms.	20	106,519
Krueger International	Stack chairs and carts for University Union.	1 <sup>a</sup>	122,357

<sup>a</sup> No bidding required. Purchased through the IPHEC furniture contract.

## **Deposit & Investment Report**

For the quarter ending September 30, 2010: Operating Funds Investment Performance – The University had an average daily invested balance of \$76,004,240.62 and a net average daily balance of \$72,955,075.99. The annualized average yield was .19%. Endowment Funds Investment Performance – The Portfolio Market Value as of September 30, 2010 was \$523,809.11, which was a 10.4% return on investments for the quarter.

## **Income Producing Contracts**

Dr. Weber mentioned 3 grants specifically, those being a TRiO grant for student support services, which was recently renewed for an additional five years, a grant to Professor David Raybin in the English Department, as part of public service to direct a four week summer seminar for the National Endowment for the Humanities, and finally a grant from Edgar County for faculty in the Geology/Geography Department.

## **University Highlights**

Dr. Perry mentioned the kick-off event for the Campaign for Eastern, and the visit by Dr. Linda Birnbaum, who is the director of the National Institute of Environmental Health Sciences and the National

Toxicology Program. Dr. Perry also mentioned the fact that Dr. Mahyar Izadi has been named Interim Dean of the Lumpkin College of Business & Applied Sciences.

**Public Comments**

Dr. John Allison, President of Eastern’s chapter of University Professionals of Illinois, addressed the Board, requesting a speedy and fair resolution to contract negotiations that are currently taking place. Dr. Allison introduced three of his colleagues: Lora Green, an academic support professional (ASP) and Academic Advisor in the Academic Advising Center, who defined the role of the ASP and the relationship these professionals have with the students; Lynanne Page, an annually contracted faculty member in the English Department, shared her story as a student who returned to Eastern as a faculty member; and Dr. Fern Kory, Professor of English, who spoke of the individualized attention students at EIU receive, compared to her own undergraduate experience.

**Adjournment**

Mr. Kratochvil made a motion to adjourn. Mr. Wiessing seconded the motion.

Roll was called and the vote was as follows:

Mr. Kratochvil	Yes
Ms. Nimmons	Yes
Dr. Webb	Yes
Mr. Wiessing	Yes
Mr. Welch	Yes

Motion carried.