# ADDENDUM February 28, 2014

### IV. ACTION ITEMS

### D. Naming of University Property

## Idea Incubator Room in the CENCERE Building In Recognition of the Charleston Area Charitable Foundation

Over the years, Eastern Illinois University has received financial support from The Charleston Area Charitable Foundation. Various programs which have benefited from this support include the Business Solutions Center, Eastern Symphony, Tarble Arts Center, WEIU, and most recently the Center for Clean Energy Research and Education (CENCERE). The lifetime gift total that EIU has received from the foundation is \$625,900.

The contributions received from the Charleston Area Charitable Foundation for CENCERE were \$300,000 to assist in the construction, plus an earlier gift that allowed the center to acquire equipment in the amount of \$56,500 for a total of \$356,500. The equipment that was purchased with the support from the Foundation for the new facility was the laboratory-scale gasification system that enables experimentation with various biomass feed stocks.

The partnership between the foundation and Eastern has allowed the university to build a new facility and add equipment that will help our faculty and students in their research in the field of clean energy. CENCERE involves staff members from Facilities Planning and Management; students; and faculty members from several departments, including biological sciences, business, chemistry, communication studies, economics, geology and geography, physics, and technology. CENCERE serves as the mechanism that binds research, teaching, and operational competencies in an effort to forward Eastern's renewable energy agenda.

The new facility will also allow for space to partner with local school districts teachers in the middle and high schools to provide unique science, technology, engineering, and mathematics (STEM) educational activities based on sustainable energy to middle and high school students. The learning opportunities would include on site demonstrations and observations at CENCERE, along with possible follow up simulcast lessons to the local school districts. The partnerships that are being created between the local school districts and Eastern Illinois University can be used as a marketing tool for future students.

We would like to honor their generosity by naming the Idea Incubator Room in the CENCERE building in recognition of the Charleston Area Charitable Foundation.

It is recommended that the Board of Trustees approve the naming of the Idea Incubator Room in the CENCERE Building in Recognition of the Charleston Area Charitable Foundation.

### EASTERN ILLINOIS UNIVERSITY BOARD OF TRUSTEES

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#### **E. Personnel Contract**

Article II.C.2 of the Board of Trustees Governing Policies permits the President of the University to offer multi-year contracts to certain administrative personnel at Eastern Illinois University with prior approval of the Board. Dr. Perry is recommending that the Board authorize him to offer the following contract:

**Mr. Kim Dameron, Head Football Coach**, a five (5) year contract for the period January 11, 2014, to December 31, 2018.

<u>It is recommended that the Board of Trustees authorize President Perry to offer a five-year contract to Mr. Dameron.</u>