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# MARSHALL UNIVERSITY BOARD OF GOVERNORS

MU Graduate College January 14, 2009

Members present, in person: A. Michael Perry, Tish Chafin, Mike Farrell, John Hess, Virginia King, Brent Marsteller, General Mooney, Sherri Noble, Mike Sellards, Gary White,

Present by telephone: Gary Adkins, Joe Touma

Members Absent: Verna Gibson, Robert Shell Jr., Randy Tomblin

## I. Call to Order

Mr. A. Michael Perry, Acting Chair, called the meeting to order.

#### II. Minutes Approval

Upon a motion by John Hess, seconded by Tish Chafin, the minutes of the November 13, 2008 meeting were approved. Upon a motion by Tish Chafin, seconded by Virginia King, the following dates were approved for future board meetings:

March 12, 2009 April 30, 2009 June 18, 2009

#### III. President's Report

President Kopp discussed events taking place at Marshall University. He noted that December 6, 2008, Convocation was held for the December graduates with Montserrat Miller as the Convocation speaker. Even with the weather being bad, the Convocation was quite successful and the next one will have to be at a larger venue and advertised more. The Convocation may become a full fledged Commencement next year.

MIIR/Eric Kmiec and eight (8) lab personnel have relocated to Marshall University bringing \$1 million in grant funding.

Dr. Kopp and Bill Bissett visited recently with Lee Todd, President of The University of Kentucky, along with WVU Interim President and the Department of Commerce's representatives. Many projects and opportunities regarding "Bucks for Brains" were discussed. President Todd is planning a future visit to MU and our MIIR program. "Bucks for Brains" has received \$1.8 million in pledges and \$1.1 in verbal commitments thus far.

Under Anita Lockridge's leadership, the Finance Committee and work in Finance and Administration is moving forward with aligning systems and tracking mechanisms.

The Leadership Summit Meeting held in early December with Sr. Vice Presidents was quite successful. Some areas discussed during the meeting were contingency planning in poor economic times and Student Recruitment and Retention. Work has begun on the Comprehensive Plan for Salaries.

An offer will be made this week for the Director of Recruitment. Tammy Johnson has been filling in and has done a great job.

Various applicant and new student recruitment Initiatives have been implemented by the Offices of Recruitment and Admissions. They include initiatives to establish relationships with all newly admitted students via personal contact from enrollment advisors; initiatives to improve the yield of completed applications via personal calls and follow-up with prospective students who have not yet completed their admissions application; and initiatives to target-market Marshall's Scholarship programs to qualified high school students residing in one of the federally designated Appalachian states.

The Intuit project for Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) is progressing and Beta testing is beginning. Intuit will be marketing this new program through our website.

An overview of capital projects and renovations was given. The lower level of the Memorial Student Center has been renovated into a multi-purpose room. The next board meeting will be held in this location.

Through a combination of one-time capital improvement funds provided through Excess Lottery Bond monies allocated to Marshall University, grant funding and private gifts the following renovation projects have or will be completed during Fiscal Year 2009:

<b>COMPLETED RENOVATION PROJECTS</b>					
PROJECT	COST				
Morrow Library Roof Replacement	\$294,579				
Twin Towers Roof Top A/C units	\$174,260				
Holderby Hall Boiler Replacement	\$207,370				
Purchasing/Admissions Exchange of					
Space	\$19,392				
Corbly Hall Lighting Grant Project	\$8,523				
Laidley Hall First Floor Renovations	\$45,770				
Memorial Student Center L.L.	\$474,925				

Renovation						
Smith Air Handler #1 Replacement	\$178,500 <b>\$1,403,319</b>					
TOTAL						
<b>RENOVATION PROJECTS UNDERWAY</b>						
DDAIECT	ESTIMATED					
PROJECT	COST					
ADA Restroom Upgrade Project	\$225,000					
Prichard Hall Boiler Project	\$54,000					
Science Hall Boiler Replacement	\$64,000					
Basketball Locker Room Project	\$1,509,000					
TOTAL	\$1,852,000					

Early February, there will be a "soft" opening of the Marshall Recreation Center.

A new degree program will be voted on later in the meeting today. Commendations go to Dr. Shortie McKinney and Dr. Charles McKown for their input and expertise.

Just a reminder, the committee restructuring of the MUBOG is ongoing. Mr. Perry would like to move ahead with this restructuring and will be finalized before the March 12, 2009 Board Meeting.

#### IV. Finance, Audit and Investment Committee

Mr. Perry discussed the following agenda items:

- a) 2008-2009 Indirect Cost Agreement Proposal between MU and MCTC, CTC Version. In the package today the Proposal from CTC has been included. An update is that the Agreement is reasonably close and the dollar amount not determined. Mr. Perry asked the Board for approval of the Executive Committee to appoint a group from Administration along with themselves to meet with the same groups from the CTC to arrive at a document that can be signed by the Committee. Upon a motion by Mr. Perry, seconded by Virginia King, none opposed, it was approved.
- b) Financial Statements and investment update for five months ending November 30, 2008 was received. Resolved, that the Board of Governors receives the Financial/Budget Report for the five months ending November 30, 2008 as required by Senate Bill 603. This report was received by the Finance and Investment Committee. Also the MUBOG received the Investment Earnings Report for the quarter and two months ending November 30, 2008. This report was also

received by the Finance and Investment Committee. Concern was given regarding the deteriorating national economic conditions. The Finance and Investment Committee has requested a meeting with representative(s) from Commonfund in the near future.

- c) Financial report for the Residence Halls and Capstone Projects was given. It was noted that the projects are on schedule with our budget projections. The board asked for information regarding the shortfall for athletics. Specifically they asked for a rolling average.
- d) A list of projects that the Lottery Bond Interest funding could be used for was provided to the Board. The report follows:

Lottery Bond Projects Update For Interest Allocation									
Project Name	Bond Proceeds	Budget Transfers	YTD Expenditures	Pending Expenses	Remaining Balance	Balance to Transfer	Interest Allocation	Estimated Completion	
Blotechnology Science Center Org. 5266 Fund 929213	2,900,000.00	(10,324.12)	(2,889,675.88)	-	-	-	451,391.00	Complete	
Biotechnology Development Cir. Org. 5169 Fund 929213	4,000,000.00	(186,649.53)	(3,813,350.47)	-	-		Note	Complete	
Campus Wiring Infrastructure Org. 5167 Fund 929213	1,900,000.00	-	(1,900,000.00)	-	-		124,296.00	Complete	
Community College Facilities Org. 5168 Fund 926572	4,253,559.00	-	(4,016,089.95)	(149,965.00)	87,504.05	-	278,264.00	14-Mar-08	
Facilities Building Addition Org. 5152 Fund 929213	3,500,000.00	(455,000.00)	(3,045,000.00)	-	-		228,966.00	Complete	
Harris Hall HVAC Upgrade Org. 5249 Fund 929213	2,100,000.00	699,389.19	(2,799,389.19)	-	-	-	137,380.00	Complete	
Morrow Library Renovation Org. 5150 Fund 929213	750,000.00	(12.98)	(749,987.02)	-	-		49,064.00	Complete	
Smith Hall Repairs/Upgrades Org. 5160 Fund 929213	6,000,000.00	1,752,597.50	(7,721,467.27)	(28,500.00)	2,630.23		392,514.00	N/A	
Student Health & Wellness Org. 5267 Fund 929213	4,000,000.00	(700,000.03)	(3,299,999.97)				261,676.00	Complete	
Visual Arts Center Org. 5268 Fund 929213	1,100,000.00	(1,100,000.00)	-	-	-		71,961.00	NA	
т	DTALS \$ 30,503,559.00	\$ 0.03 \$	\$ (30,234,959.75)	\$ (178,465.00)	\$90,134.28 \$	i -	\$ 1,995,512.00		

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Upon a motion by Mr. Perry, seconded by Virginia King, the Board: Resolved, that the Marshall University Board of Governors approve the use of 2004 Lottery Bond interest for the projects list for Items 1 through 7. Motion carried.

e) Update on the sale of University Heights. An update was given to the Board regarding the University Heights sale to Prestera. The transaction will close on Friday, January 16, 2009, at 3:00 p.m. The Board voted to approve the usage of the funds, with Hess noting that it was not to be used to subsidize operating costs. Upon a motion by A. Michael Perry, seconded by Virginia King, the motion carried. As a reference, the State Auditor and Budget Office have been contacted and a Special Revenue Account has been established in the State Treasury Office whereby the proceeds from the sale of the property will be deposited. The State Budget Office is preparing a bill for the Legislature to have proceeds appropriated back to the University for the Purchase of additional property, technology, or capital improvement. The bill is expected to be effective July 1, 2009.

- f) DPT Program/Business Plan. This was discussed in the committee and later in the meeting a presentation was given by Dr. Shortie McKinney.
- g) Perry Chaffin gave the Finance Committee an Internal Audit update during the Committee Meeting.

## V. Academic Committee, Verna Gibson, Chair

Verna Gibson, who was attending by phone, asked Monica Brooks to present the report from the Academic Committee.

- a) 2007/08 Tuition Waiver Reports. During the Academic Committee Meeting, the members reviewed and accepted the Tuition Waiver Reports.
- b) DPT Program

Dr. Shortie McKinney gave a very interesting and informative presentation regarding the formation of the new DPT (Doctorate in Physical Therapy) program. It was noted that this Program would be self sustaining and would not require base operating funds from the University. The following resolution was motioned by Mr. Perry, seconded by Brent Marsteller.

"Be it resolved, upon the recommendation of its Academic Affairs and Finance Committees, the Marshall University Board of Governors authorizes the University to proceed with the development and start-up of a new doctoral program (Doctor of Physical Therapy) in Physical Therapy, including investment in the hiring of personnel beginning with the founding director of the program, and the Board also approves the granting of the degree, Doctor of Physical Therapy by Marshall University, which shall be conditional upon the conferral of accreditation of the Doctoral Program in Physical Therapy by the Commission on Accreditation of Physical Therapy Education (CAPTE). The University shall provide regular updates to the Board of Governors concerning the progress of program development and related financial considerations."

#### VI. School of Medicine

a) Construction Updates

Construction updates were given by Dr. Charles McKown regarding the Forensic Science Center Annex and the Logan County Rural Health & Clinical Education Center. He encouraged the Board to drive by the Forensic Science Center Annex and gave some information regarding the plans for the Rural Health & Clinical Education Center.

b) SOM Budget Status Update. A report was given during the Finance Committee Meeting regarding the School of Medicine Budget.

#### VII. Athletic Committee

Mr. Farrell discussed the audit exit conference held with Trainer, Wright & Paterno (auditors), Dr. Kopp, representatives from Athletics and Administration. The auditors gave an unqualified opinion on the Big Green Scholarship Foundation, Inc. financial statements. The NCAA required report was submitted with full compliance for 2007-08. Mr. Farrell commended Tara on an outstanding job as the Women's teams overall carry a 3.24 GPA and the men's teams overall are at 2.71 GPA.

#### VIII. Executive Session

Upon a motion by Mr. Farrell, seconded by Mrs. King, the Board went into Executive Session to ongoing litigation and real estate items.

After a period of time, Mr. Farrell moved that the Board rise from executive session into open session. Virginia King seconded and was unanimously approved.

#### IX. Adjournment

As there were no other matters after Executive Session, and the agenda being completed, the meeting was adjourned.