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The Minutes of the Marshall University Board of Governors Meeting, June 16, 2022

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MINUTES
Marshall University Board of Governors
Microsoft Teams Meeting at the
Shawkey Room in the Memorial Student Center,
Livestream and In-Person
June 16, 2022

Present: Patrick Farrell, Shawn Ball, Kathy D'Antoni, Donnie Holcomb, Carol Hurula, Angel Moore, Sam Moore, Bill Noe, Aylssa Parks, Chad Pennington, Robin Riner, Geoff Sheils, Bill Smith, Toney Stroud, Sandra Thomas,

Absent: Chris Miller, Bill Noe, Chad Pennington

PH: Isabella Griffiths

I. Call to Order & Swearing in of New Members

After determining a quorum was present, Chairman Farrell called the meeting to order.

II. Minutes Approval

The minutes of the meeting on April 21, 2022, were accepted as presented.

III. Committee Meeting Reports

Academic and Student Affairs Committee action items were as follows:

- A) Approval of updated Policy No. GA-1, Discrimination, Harassment, Sexual Harassment, Sexual & Domestic Misconduct, Stalking and Retaliation Policy – including Title IX

Upon a motion by Mr. Stroud, seconded by Dr. Riner, the board considered the following resolution:

Resolved, that the Marshall University Board of Governors does hereby approve Policy No. GA-1, Discrimination, Harassment, Sexual Harassment, Sexual & Domestic Misconduct, Stalking and Retaliation Policy – Including Title IX to be effective August 1, 2022.

There were no questions or discussion, all members voted aye, none opposed, and the motion passed.

B) Approval of updated Policy No. SA-1, Student Rights and Responsibilities

Upon a motion by Mr. Stroud, seconded by Mrs. Thomas, the board considered the following resolution:

Resolved, that the Marshall University Board of Governors does hereby approve Policy No. SA-1, Student Rights and Responsibilities to be effective August 1, 2022

There were no questions or discussion, all members voted aye, none opposed, and the motion passed.

C) Change of Degree – Bachelor of Arts in Sport Management

Upon a motion by Bishop Moore, seconded by Mrs. Hurula, the Board considered the following resolution:

Resolved, that the Marshall University Board of Governors approve the Degree Addition for BA in Sport Management.

The Board members voted aye, none opposed, and the motion passed.

D) Intent to Plan – Master of Science in Natural Resources & the Environment

Upon a motion by Ms. Moore, seconded by Mr. Smith, the Board considered the following resolution:

Resolved, that the Marshall University Board of Governors approve the Intent to Plan for MS in Natural Resources & the Environment

After consideration, the Board unanimously voted aye, none opposed, and the motion passed.

E) Review and Approval of the following Academic Affairs Policy: MUBOG AA-15; Course Withdrawal

Upon a motion by Bishop Moore, seconded by Dr. Riner, the Board considered the following resolution:

Resolved that the Marshall University Board of Governors does hereby take the following action as it relates to MUBOG Policy AA-15. We recommend amendments that streamline the process and update the timeline for course withdrawal. Further Resolved, that the policy is approved as final at the conclusion of the comment period if no substantive comments are received.

There were no questions or discussion, the board members voted aye, none opposed, and the motion passed.

UPDATES:

Provost Avi Mukherjee gave the Provost's Update. After Commencement, there are now 1,460 new Marshall alums out in the world! Fall 2021 had 738 degrees awarded, and Spring 2022 had 1,382 degrees awarded. A welcome to Dr. Marcie Simms, Ed.D. and Marshall Alum, has joined us as the Senior Vice President of Student Affairs. The Accrediting Council on Education in Journalism and Mass Communication met in April and granted reaccreditation. The next visit will be in the 2027-28 academic year. WMUL received 99 awards during the 2021-2022 academic year, 30 of which are first place awards. Professor **Sandra Reed's** solo exhibition

entitled *Selvage*, is on display now through June 30 in the Library Gallery on Marshall University's South Charleston campus. It features works she has created since relocating to West Virginia in 2014. Professor Reed is Marshall's 26th John Deaver Drinko Academy Fellow. There are many other highlights in the Colleges, and they are in the updates portion of the board packets.

Alyssa Parks gave a Student Government Update and stated that she recorded orientation videos. She thanked the Board and everyone, saying she looks forward to the future.

Isabella Griffiths, new Student Body President and new Board Member, who was attending via teams, also recorded orientation videos. She let the Board of Governors know that she will be in Spain studying abroad for the summer. She will be learning Spanish for a month.

Dr. Bobby Miller gave the School of Medicine Update highlighting activities and upcoming events from the Med School. Dr. Miller noted that Highland Hospital and the School of Medicine signed two clinical training agreements in May. The new rural surgery residency program at the School of Medicine and Logan Regional Medical Center earned initial accreditation from the ACGME (Accreditation Council for Graduate Medical Education). He noted that 67 resident physician and fellows will complete their training at the School of Medicine in late June. More than 41% of the graduates will go on to pursue advanced training, 58% will enter private practice and/or academic medicine. OVP HEALTH CARE recently opened a new clinic in affiliation with Marshall Health at 1423 Third Avenue in downtown Huntington. Dentists and hygienists from Marshall Health provide all the dental care at the clinic, which is owned and administered by OVP HEALTH CARE. The clinic offers basic adult and pediatric dental services, including examinations, uncomplicated extractions, fillings, and teeth cleaning for underserved and underinsured patients. The clinic refers patients in need of more complex care and treatment to other dental professionals at Marshall Health.

Athletic Committee

In the absence of Mr. Miller, Chairman Farrell gave the Athletic Committee Report. There were no action items for the Athletic Committee.

Athletic Director Mr. Spears gave updated on the FY 22 Budget, Compliance reports, and the Athletics Teams Updates.

Finance, Audit and Facilities Planning Committee

The following are action items from the Finance, Audit and Facilities Planning Committee:

A) Investment Earnings Update

Upon a motion by Mr. Stroud, seconded by Mrs. Hurula, the Board considered the following resolution:

Resolved, that the Marshall University Board of Governors receives the Investment Report ending April 30, 2022.

There was no discussion, Board members voted aye, none opposed, and the motion carried.

B) Nine Months Ending March 31, 2022, Financial/Budget Report

Upon a motion by Ms. Moore, seconded by Dr. Riner, the Board considered the following resolution:

Resolved, that the Board of Governors receives the Financial/Budget Report for the nine months ending March 31, 2022.

There was no discussion, Board members voted aye, no opposition and the motion carried.

C) Capital Project List

Ms. Jacobs-Jones gave a PowerPoint Presentation regarding the Capital Project List giving a new approach and a summary.

Upon a motion by Mrs. Thomas, seconded by Mr. Stroud, the Board considered the following resolution:

Resolved, that the Marshall University Board of Governors approve the attached FY 2023-28 Capital Project List.

She asked the Board to approve the list as presented. There was no discussion, the Board voted aye, no opposition and the motion carried.

Information items updates were given by Mr. Jason Baldwin. The Internal Audit update is in the Board Packet. The Operations Update was given at the Committee Meeting.

IV. President's Report

President Smith is happy to be back home! He says it is a privilege to serve West Virginia and Marshall University!

Since his arrival, there has been four changes in cabinet positions, three active searches ongoing, two folks are “on deck”. The changes to Cabinet are: Christian Spears, Athletic Director; Provost Avi Mukherjee, Marcie Simms, Intercultural and Student Affairs. Marcie is a daughter of Marshall and most recently served at Shawnee State University and Toney Stroud, Legal and Legislative. Is a son of Marshall for Undergrad.

There are three searches ongoing: Chief Marketing Officer, Chief Information Officer, and Chief Financial Officer. Will hopefully give names by mid-September.

Other searches are Dean for School of Medicine. Currently, Dr. Bobby Miller is serving as Interim Dean.

We are also looking to hire a Vice President, Workforce and Economic Development, which will be in Provost Mukherjee’s staff.

The 100 Day Listening Sessions are over. There were 38 listening sessions. From these sessions, we have launched an Enrollment Management Plan. We have also consulted with Boston Consulting. We are implementing the “End to End Student Experience”.

Bruce Felder is now the Chief Talent and Equity Diversity Officer. Ginny Painter is now Chief of Staff. She is leading the search for Digital Marketing Officer.

In taking care of the House, Financial Principles:

- 1) Grow Students not Fees. Minimize tuition and fee increases. Institutional success is measured by our accessibility, affordability, and lifetime value for the students we serve.
- 2) Invest in our Team. Align employee compensation with market. Incentivize for performance and living the Marshall University Creed.
- 3) Take Care of the House. Investments in facilities essential to the University mission. Invest in innovative technologies to meet modern challenges.
- 4) Manage our Strategic Resources. Build key reserves for fiscal and operational resiliency. Invest available resources to new market-driven opportunities.

President Smith said that Community Cares will be from June 20-25th and if you would like to be a part of cleaning and making campus look better, please let him know. Currently there are 325 people scheduled.

V. Nominating Committee, Toney Stroud, Chair

Mr. Stroud gave the Nominating Committee report. The Nominating Committee is made up of the following Board Members: Mr. Stroud, Mrs. Thomas and Bishop Moore. After meetings by the Committee, the following slate was given for consideration:

Chair – Patrick Farrell
Vice Chair – Bill Smith
Secretary – Chris Miller

Upon a motion by Mr. Holcomb, seconded by Dr. D’Antoni, the Board unanimously to accept the slate of nominees above.

VI. Executive Session under the authority of WV Code § 6-9A-4

A motion to enter Executive Session was made upon a motion by Mr. Stroud, seconded by Mrs. Hurula to consider Naming Opportunities for the College of Business and give a construction update.

After a brief time, the board entered open session, upon a motion by Mr. Sheils, seconded by Mrs. Hurula.

MUF Business, motion to accept. Upon a motion by Mr. Sheils, seconded by Mr. Stroud with no opposition, the motion carried.

VII. Chairman Farrell’s Report

Chairman Farrell thanked everyone for their roles at Marshall University. He recognized the decades of those leaving us as they retire or move on to other positions.

He recognized Layton Cottrill, with over three decades of service and dedication. Jeff O’Malley many decades and is leaving. Maurice Cooley is retiring. This is the last meeting for Alyssa Parks, Student Representative to the Board of Governors, and Toney Stroud. Mr. Stroud will be the new Legal Counsel for the University. He has led efforts with the Lewis College of Business building, and we appreciate all he has done and will continue to do on behalf of Marshall University. Merit clocks were presented to both.

VIII. Announcements

Chairman Farrell said for calendaring purposes, the Board Dates are at the end of the agenda. He reminded the Board that the next meeting would be an off-site and more information would be forthcoming.

IX. Adjournment

Without objection, the Board Meeting was adjourned.

