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Minutes of December 12, 2002

The Board met by telephone conference at 4:00 p.m. on December 12, 2002

Members Participating: Mr. Gary White, Ms. Carol Hartley, Mr. Menis Ketchum, Ms. Virginia King, Mr. Robert Shell, Dr. Sam Sentelle, Mr. David Todd, Mr. Tom Wilkerson, Mr. Joseph Williams, Ms. Sherri Noble, Dr. Marshall Onofrio

Members Absent: Dr. Stephen Haid, Mr. Michael Perry, Dr. Tom Scott, Mr. Cory Dennison

Guests: Dr. Dan Angel, Dr. Sarah Denman, Mr. Layton Cottrill, Mr. Herb Karlet, Dr. Vicki Riley, Mr. Mike McGuffey

The meeting was called to order by Chair Gary White.

AGENDA

I. Marshall University Compact 2002-2003
   Marshall University Community & Technical College Compact 2002-03

Dr. Sarah Denman presented this agenda item and discussed the University’s compact for 2002-03.

Mr. White indicated that in his meetings with the Chancellor and the Chairs of other institutional governing boards, it is the consensus that these institutional compacts will be utilized by the legislature to measure the progress of an institution relative to the goals outlined in the Compacts.

Mr. Shell suggested that the letter of transmission accompanying the compacts be annotated; comments are to be included in those instances when the university’s stated goals are different from those suggested by the HEPC. This letter will also reference potential state budget reductions, and the effect such reductions would have on the successful completion of the compact.

Dr. Vicki Riley discussed the Marshall University CTC Compact for 2002-03. Discussion ensued among board members regarding a number of the goals listed in the compact, and the institution’s ability to attain the stated goals.

Following discussion, it was moved by Mr. Wilkerson to approve the Marshall University and Marshall CTC compacts for submission to the HEPC, such compact to be sent with an annotated cover memorandum. Seconded by Mr. Williams. Motion carried.

II. Other Business
Mr. Karlet discussed the status of the state budget, with a significant budgetary shortfall being predicted for the coming fiscal year.

Dr. Angel discussed the ongoing meetings of Marshall’s Budget Reduction Task Force. This task force will present a report at the January meeting of the board.

Mr. White indicated that given the urgency of the budget situation, the Board should be prepared for a full and free budget discussion at the January meeting.

Mr. Karlet discussed revenue enhancements under consideration for Summer 2003 and subsequent semesters, in order to address budgetary reductions. Additional information will be presented at January’s meeting.

Mr. Karlet discussed a job family reclassification, currently under consideration by the HEPC. This may result in additional financial obligation to Marshall and other institutions.

Mr. Wilkerson inquired about recent news articles concerning Marshall’s NCAA sanctions, and specific comments made about the University and President Angel. Discussion ensured with regard to the appropriate response by the Board. It was determined that the Board’s Executive Committee would draft a statement in response to the aforementioned news articles, and forward this statement to each board member.

It was decided by unanimous consent to reschedule the January Board meeting. The next meeting is scheduled as follows:

January 22, 2003
10:00 a.m.
MU Graduate College
South Charleston

III. Adjournment

With no further business, the meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

Joseph Williams, Secretary