Members present, in person: Joseph Touma, Chair; John G. Hess; Phyllis Arnold; Oshel Craigo; Michael J. Farrell; Verna Gibson; David Haden; Ed Howard; Dale Lowther; Joe McDonie; Wyatt Scaggs; Michael G. Sellards; Joseph Touma; Miriah Young; Marty Amerikaner;

Absent: Letitia Neese Chafin

I. Call to Order

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Touma at 10:55 a.m.

II. Minutes

The minutes for the meetings of October 30, 2012 and Special Meeting of November 26, 2012 will be approved at the next meeting.

III. President's Report

President Kopp gave an update on campus projects, upcoming events and noted that the Master Plan URL can now be viewed on the BOG iPad by typing www.marshall.edu/mplan

Dr. Kopp told the group the LCME had an “informal” visit and they are pleased with the progress of the Joan C. Edwards School of Medicine. The full visit will be in June of 2013.

Bucks for Brains will close out the $15 million match in December 2012, based on dollars received to date. The legislature may do a second round of this successful project. We would like to encourage matching scholarship funds the same way with the state matching private dollars that are given for scholarships.

IV. Committee Reports

Finance, Audit and Facilities Planning Committee, Dale Lowther, Chair

Mr. Lowther discussed the informational items brought to the Committee. He noted that the committee discussed financial updates, Administration updates, the School of Medicine action plan and visitation by LCME, men’s basketball and alumni. Then he asked Dr. Karen Kirtley to present the updated sheet of the Capital Improvement list. The Internal Audit report was given by Perry Chaffin to the committee regarding cash receipts and a new audit plan.
He then continued with the action items brought before the Committee, noting that Action items were discussed at length during the Committee Meeting. The first item was the financial/budget report for three month ending September 30, 2012. He noted that the financials looked good. Upon a motion by Mike Sellards, seconded by Joseph McDonie and unanimously approved, the Board passed the following resolution:

Resolved, that the Board of Governors receives the Financial Budget Report for the three months ending September 30, 2012.

The Investment Earnings Update is the next action item. He noted the report was from July 1, 2012, through October 31, 2012. Upon a motion by Joseph McDonie, seconded by Miriah Young and unanimously approved, the board passed the following resolution:

Resolved, that the Marshall University Board of Governors receives the Investment Earnings Report for the four months ending October 31, 2012.

The next item was the final approval of an IT acceptable use policy. Dr. Jan Fox presented the policy to the Board of Governors. Upon a motion by Dale C. Lowther, seconded by Miriah Young, the following resolution was unanimously approved:

Resolved, that the Marshall University Board of Governors repeals the current Policy IT-1, Information Technology Acceptable Use Policy and approved the new Policy IT-1, Information Technology Acceptable Use Policy (as follows) as its replacement.

http://www.marshall.edu/president/board/policies.html.

It was noted that there is no anticipated additional cost to the institution for implementing this policy.

The final item is an approval of contractor for the Stadium Suite Upgrades. Mike Hamrick presented to the Committee and then to the Board the plan of adding four suites, new elevator, refurbishing the old elevators. He noted the suites have been sold already and an approval of the contractor is all that is needed. The contractor chosen is EP Leach & Sons. It was noted also that no MU operating funds or student fees would be used for this upgrade. The financing will be done through Big Green over an 8 year period of $60,000 per year. No public funds would be used, only private funds. Upon a motion by Michael J. Farrell, seconded by Ray Harrell, the following resolution was read and unanimously approved:

Resolved that the contractor firm of EP Leach & Sons is chosen to perform the upgrades to the Stadium Suite Project.
Academic & Student Affairs Committee, Edward Howard, Chair

Ed Howard gave the Academic Affairs report.

On the agenda, information items were discussed and it was noted in the Committee meeting that students apply to numerous schools, so it is very important that we encourage everyone to attend Marshall University. Also noted in the Medical School update was attention to a website with updates regarding the LCME. It is linked to the Joan C. Edwards Medical School website. Also noted is recruitment is up and there are more “in state” students applying. All is progressing well. As a reminder, Program Review is March 28-29, 2013. Participation is encouraged.

The only action item is Approval of University Calendar for AY 2013-2014 and AY 2014-2015. There has been a change going forward, as now finals will be done and then Commencement. Upon a motion by Joseph McDonie, seconded by Wyatt Scaggs, the following resolution was read and unanimously approved”

Resolved, that the Marshall University Board of Governors approve the proposed University Calendar for AY 2013-2014 and AY 2014-2015 years.

The proposed calendar requires no additional funding and can be found on the website.

V. Chairman’s Report

A Chairman’s Report was given by Joseph Touma.

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

There was no executive session.

VII. Announcements and Adjournment

The next Board Meeting is February 27, 2013, unless we have to call a special board meeting.

As there were no other matters to bring before the Board, upon a motion by Edward Howard, seconded by Dale Lowther and unanimously approved, the meeting was adjourned.

Michael G. Sellards, Secretary