

Marshall University Board of Governors
June 29, 2016
Shawkey Dining Room

Present: Michael G. Sellards, Chairman; Phyllis Arnold; James Bailes; Oshel Craigo; Phil Cline; David E. Haden; Edward Howard; Christie Kinsey; Dale C. Lowther; Joseph McDonie; Wyatt Scaggs; Joseph B. Touma, MD; Miriah Young; Dr. Cam Brammer; Duncan Waugaman

I. **Call to Order**

Upon determining a quorum was present at 12:10 p.m., Mr. Sellards called the meeting to order.

II. **Minutes Approval**

Upon a motion by Mr. Cline, seconded by Mrs. Kinsey, the Board unanimously approved the minutes of April 27, 2016.

III. **Presentation on the College of Education and Professional Development – Dr. Teresa Eagle**

Dr. Eagle gave an overview of the College of Education and Professional Development noting that the next accreditation is in 2018. Highlights for the College of Education and Professional Development are that close to 100% faculty have their doctorates. She also noted that due to retirements of faculty, there is a shortage of professors in her college.

The mission of the college is to train educators for public schools and provide professional development for in-service teachers, but the college also has other academic programs and is approved by the WVBOE to participate in alternative certification programs to address the current shortage of teachers.

IV. **Report of the Nominating Committee**

David Haden, chair of the nominating committee, reported the slate of officers for the coming year: Chair – Wyatt Scaggs, Vice Chair – James Bailes, Secretary – Joe McDonie, Chair Finance, Audit and Facilities Planning Committee – David Haden, Chair Academic and Student Affairs Committee – Christie Kinsey.

V. Committee Meeting Reports

Academic and Student Affairs Committee

Mr. Howard, Chair of the Academic and Student Affairs Committee gave an overview of the Committee Meeting. He welcomed Cedric Gathings to the University as VP in Student Affairs. He noted that Sandra Clements was retiring on July 1st. Other news of interest is that there is an upcoming Youth Leadership conference beginning in August. In the order of business, there were two action items presented at the Committee for recommendation of approval to the Board.

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

Upon a motion by Dr. Touma, seconded by Mr. Waugaman, and, the Board adopted the following resolution with one “no” vote by Mr. Cline:

Resolved, that the Marshall University Board of Governors approves as final Policy No. GA-1, Discrimination, Harassment, Sexual Harassment, Sexual & Domestic Misconduct, Stalking and Retaliation with an effective date of June 29, 2016.

- B) Degree Addition: Bachelor of Science in Electrical and Computer Engineering

Upon a motion by Mr. Cline, seconded by Mr. Waugaman, the board unanimously adopted the following resolution:

Resolved, that the Marshall University Board of Governors approve the Addition of Degree for the Bachelor of Science in Electrical and Computer Engineering.

Other informational Items were given during the Committee meeting, most notably the School of Medicine’s expansion of residents in Oral Health Services, and Provost Ormiston’s retention report of 75.1% compared to 72% last year.

Finance, Audit and Facilities Planning Committee

Mr. Lowther, Chair of the Finance, Audit and Facilities Planning Committee gave an overview of the committee meeting. There were several action items for the Committee’s recommendation to the Board:

- A) Changes to the Travel Policy

Upon a motion by Mr. Haden, seconded by Mr. Howard, the Board adopted the following resolution:

Resolved, that the Marshall University Board of Governors approves as final the amended and replaced Policy No. FA-2, Travel.

B) Approval of Public Art Policy

Upon a motion by Mrs. Kinsey, seconded by Mrs. Young, the Board adopted the following resolution:

Resolved, that the Marshall University Board of Governors does hereby approve a new policy, Policy No. GA-17, Public Art Policy.

C) Investment Earning Update

Upon a motion by Mr. Scaggs, seconded by Mr. McDonie, the Board adopted the following resolution:

Resolved, that the Marshall University Board of Governors receives the Investment Earnings Report for the 9 months ending March 31, 2016.

D) Nine Months ending March 31,2016 Financial/Budget Report

Upon a motion by Mr. Bailes, seconded by Mrs. Arnold, the Board adopted the following resolution:

Resolved, that the Board of Governors receives the Financial/Budget Report for the nine months ending March 31, 2016.

E) FY 2017-2022 Capital Budget Request

Upon discussion of the prioritization of the report being submitted to HEPC, Mr. Craig asked that the accreditation item about the Smith Music Hall Acoustic Renovation be taken into account. Upon a motion by Mr. McDonie, seconded by Mrs. Young, with Mrs. Arnold abstaining, the Board adopted the Capital Budget with the change requested by Mr. Craig and the following resolution:

Resolved, that the Marshall University Board of Governors approve the attached FY 2017-2022 Capital Project List. Attached as Appendix A to these minutes.

F) Schedule of Marshall University Tuition and Fees for Fiscal Year 2016-2017

After discussion of the tuition and fees, and cuts to the budget, upon a motion by Dr. Brammer, seconded by Mr. McDonie, the board unanimously adopted the following resolution:

Resolved, that the Marshall University Board of Governors approves the schedule of Marshall University Tuition and Fees, for Fiscal Year 2016-2017. Attached as Appendix B to these minutes.

G) Fiscal Year 2016-2017 Budget

Mr. Lowther discussed the budget presented and said it was a fair and good budget. After discussion by the Board, and the recommendation of the Committee, upon a motion by Mr. McDonie, seconded by Mrs. Young, the Board unanimously adopted the following resolution:

Resolved, that the Marshall University Board of Governors approves the proposed Budget for Fiscal Year 2016-2017.

A) Information Item – Expansion of Alcohol Sales

The information item was in reference to an expansion of alcohol sales at the stadium for football games. This information item was tabled at the Committee and more discussion and a possible special meeting will be done in the near future.

VI. **President's Report**

After six months, highlights:

There is new leadership of Cedric Gathings in Student Affairs as VP. –We are looking at what we do in Student Affairs. We also want to explore a new programs and new educational project for sexual assault with students, faculty, and staff. Stephanie Hurley was hired as INTO Executive Director, and a meeting has been made to meet with her very soon. Dr. Scott Davis, has joined us in PT. A Registrar search committee has made final recommendations to this important position.

Dr. Gilbert mentioned that plans for building a new Pharmacy school and housing for medical and pharmacy students are in the initial stages. A request for qualifications is complete and the Request for Proposals for a P3 project in the Fairfield community are due in July of 2016.

Marshall's retention rate appears to be up 2% at this time and there are plans for additional measures to be taken in the 2016-2017 academic year to increase retention even more.

Enrollment will probably be flat in the fall of 2016 but measures being put in place should boost enrollment in 2017.

We continue to see more efforts to increase the attainment of more support for research. Due in some part to the securing of services of a consultant in DC, we have seen an increase of several million dollars in research funding so far this year. The Marshall event in DC in June, the State of the University, was successful and continues to be a way to connect with alumni and the congressional delegation.

President Gilbert thanked Mike Sellards and a standing ovation was given by the Board and attendees in the meeting. Two members are rotating off the board: 1) Dr. Touma. He has served eight years on Board; and, as per code, he will remain as a member until a replacement is appointed. He is a model citizen, in his commitment to our community and university; 2) Duncan Waugaman. He has served as student body president for two years, and has represented our students well. We will miss both of them and know they will remain active with Marshall University.

VII. Chairman's Report

Chairman Sellards thanked everyone for honoring him. He thanked the outstanding team of members saying they were first class and he appreciated the opportunity to learn from talented people. He noted that the best days are ahead and welcomed incoming Chair Wyatt Scaggs.

VIII. Adjournment

Just before adjournment of the meeting, a board member said thanks also to Mr. Howard and Mr. Lowther for their good work as chairs of the Committees.

There being no other business to be brought before the Board of Governors, upon a motion by Mr. McDonie, seconded by Mr. Waugaman, and unanimously approved, the meeting was adjourned.

Wyatt Scaggs, Secretary