

University of Central Missouri
Board of Governors
Plenary Session Minutes
February 26, 2009

The University of Central Missouri (UCM) Board of Governors convened in Plenary Session on Thursday, February 26, 2009, at 8:30 a.m. on UCM's main campus in Warrensburg, Missouri. Presiding over the meeting was Board President Richard Phillips. Other Board members in attendance were Governors Walter Hicklin, Weldon Brady, Deleta Williams, Lawrence Fick, Edward Baker, and Ryan Sanders. Also present were University President Aaron Podolefsky, Interim General Counsel Marvin Wright, Incoming General Counsel Henry Setser, and Assistant Secretary to the Board Monica Huffman.

Plenary Session

Call to Order – Agenda Item No. 1

Mr. Phillips called the meeting to order and determined that a quorum was present to conduct business.

Remarks by the Board President – Agenda Item No. 2

Mr. Phillips said there are a number of activities occurring on campus and noted that Mr. Sanders has distributed a 2009 Campus Activities schedule.

Mr. Phillips thanked Senator David Pearce and Representative Denny Hoskins for their support of the Lewis and Clark Initiative. He welcomed and introduced Mr. Henry Setser, UCM's new General Counsel who will begin full-time employment on March 3, 2009. Mr. Phillips expressed appreciation to Mr. Marvin Wright for his service to UCM as Interim General Counsel.

Remarks by the University President - Agenda Item No. 3

President Podolefsky also welcomed Mr. Setser. He thanked Athletic Director, Mr. Jerry Hughes and all of the staff involved in preparing for the nationally televised Mules game on February 21. President Podolefsky congratulated Coach Kim Anderson and his team on a good season.

President Podolefsky also expressed appreciation to those involved in moving the Lewis and Clark Initiative forward. UCM can now begin the renovation of the Morrow-Garrison building. He said that of the 14 projects listed under the Lewis and Clark Initiative, nine projects were permanently suspended, four were fully funded, and one was partially funded. UCM's Morrow-Garrison project was one of four projects fully funded. President Podolefsky also thanked Senator Pearce and Representative Hoskins for their work, and expressed a special thanks to Dr. Betty Roberts, Ms. Ann Pearce, and Mr. Phil Wright for their lobbying efforts and all of their hard work in providing the information necessary to move the project forward.

President Podolefsky testified in the House Education Appropriations Committee last week. The committee met yesterday and adopted a report that recommends no funding cuts to K-12 and higher education, which is very good news for UCM. He anticipates the Senate Education Appropriations Committee to have a positive review of the report. This action is in alignment with the Governor's agreement with university presidents to not reduce higher education budgets in exchange for no tuition increases for FY 2010.

President Podolefsky stated that UCM is working to position itself for participation in the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act. Universities are an investment and should have opportunities to apply for various sources of funding. UCM is also involved in discussions related to changes in the Access Missouri Scholarship Program. The Governor made a proposal to equalize Access Missouri student financial aid to students with the same financial need regardless of whether they are enrolled at a public or a private four-year university. Additionally, legislation supporting the proposal has been introduced in both the House and Senate. President Podolefsky added that some Legislators will not view this positively.

Special Recognition – Agenda Item No. 4

President Podolefsky gave special recognition to six individuals, who on January 27, were instrumental in helping to save the life of UCM employee Loye Henrikson. This special group included Misti Ramsey, a visitor of the Multipurpose Building (MPB) who was the first to come upon Mr. Henrikson lying unconscious in the corridor of the Multipurpose Building and immediately called for assistance and began CPR. Building Monitor Christopher "Noland" Smith and Student Life Guard Michelle Allen administered the automated external defibrillator to Mr. Henrikson after noting that he had no pulse, and was able to quickly restore the pulse as he began breathing. During this time, Coach Kim Anderson called for emergency assistance and Office Professional Tara Matney and Student Employee Stephanie McKinney contacted the Department of Public Safety. President Podolefsky presented each person with a certificate of appreciation. Mr. Henrikson was also in attendance and thanked the individuals. A photograph was taken with the group, Mr. Henrikson, and President Podolefsky.

Reports

Approval of Minutes – Agenda Item No. 5

Mr. Fick moved that the Board of Governors approve the minutes of the January 22, 2009, Board meetings. The motion was seconded by Ms. Williams and carried unanimously.

Mr. Hicklin moved that the Board of governors approve the minutes of the February 17, 2009, teleconference. The motion was seconded by Mr. Fick and carried unanimously.

(Note: Mr. Baker arrived immediately following the approval of the minutes and did not participate in the votes.)

Governance Groups Reports – Agenda Item No. 6

Mr. Phillips noted that written governance groups reports were included under Tab 4 of the meeting materials (Attachment 1).

ESCO Investment Grade Audit Update – Agenda Item No. 7

Dr. Betty Roberts thanked the Board for the opportunity to (1) update it on the ongoing comprehensive efforts of UCM to address priorities related to the management of energy and its consumption on campus; (2) promote the university’s efforts to enhance sustainability as it moves towards becoming a more green campus; and (3) address the backlog of deferred maintenance that presently exists at UCM.

Dr. Roberts said that the ESCO Investment Grade Audit (IGA) has required the hard work and dedication of many people. She thanked S&S Engineering, the Clinton Climate Foundation, Trane, and UCM’s Facilities Management staff. Dr. Roberts introduced Mr. Chad Remboldt, Project Manager, and Mr. Don Tabor, Energy Engineer and Developer, both of Trane.

Mr. Remboldt provided an update of the IGA through a PowerPoint presentation (Attachment 2), which also included three different IGA options.

IGA Option 1 - \$36 million

All Energy and Operational Saving Projects Completed	\$16 m
All Facility Infrastructure Repair Backlog Completed	<u>\$20 m</u>
TOTAL Amount of Projects	\$36 m

Remaining or Deferred Facility Infrastructure Repair Backlog N/A

IGA Option 2 - \$23 million

All Energy and Operational Savings Projects Completed	\$16 m
All Facility Infrastructure Repair Backlog Completed	<u>\$ 7 m</u>
TOTAL Amount of Projects	\$23 m

Remaining or Deferred Facility Infrastructure Repair Backlog \$13 m

IGA Option 3 - \$17 million

All Energy and Operational Savings Projects Completed	\$16 m
All Facility Infrastructure Repair Backlog Completed	<u>\$ 1 m</u>
TOTAL Amount of Projects	\$17 m

Remaining or Deferred Facility Infrastructure Repair Backlog \$19 m

Mr. Sanders asked what the advantages are of Options 2 and 3 over Option 1 given that the same amount of funds would be expended. Mr. Remboldt said there are no real advantages since appropriated funds would be used for the project. The only advantage of Options 2 and 3 are if the university does not wish to borrow \$36 million at this time. Option 1 offers the greatest impact to the campus.

President Podolefsky said that the ESCO offers a very unique opportunity. Mr. Hicklin added that for years UCM has worked under a reactive, rather than proactive mode due to a lack of funding. He agreed that the ESCO provides a great opportunity for the university to get some things done.

Following the presentation, the Board took a short recess from 9:45 a.m. to 9:55 a.m.

Center for Alternative Fuels & Environmental Systems – Agenda Item No. 8

Provost Wilson introduced Dr. Scott McKay, Director for the Center for Alternative Fuels & Environmental Systems. Dr. McKay provided the Board with an overview of the Center and its purpose through a PowerPoint presentation (Attachment 3).

Key Performance Indicators Status Report – Agenda Item No. 9

Provost Wilson said that faculty and staff has been working to develop a set of Key Performance Indicators (KPIs) that could be used to help track the progress of UCM's Strategic Plan. Presently, 32 KPIs have been identified, 25 of which UCM already measures on a regular basis. Provost Wilson stated that faculty and staff are working diligently to complete a measurement mechanism and to develop a matrix. He anticipates presenting the KPIs to the President's Cabinet before the semester's end and bringing them to the Board at a future date.

Legislative Update – Agenda Item No. 10

Ms. Ann Pearce reported that the 2009 General Assembly went into session last month. On the federal level, President Podolefsky and Ms. Pearce traveled to Washington, D.C. earlier in the month and met with Senator Bond and Congressman Skelton, as well as staff members from Senator McCaskill's and Congressman Cleaver's offices. During the visits, they discussed many of the things happening on campus and presented some proposed initiatives. They provided the offices information pertaining to the Midwest Clinic for Autism Spectrum Disorders and the 2008 Omnibus Bill. Congressman Skelton was able to obtain funding for UCM to establish and begin the development of the clinic in 2008. Ms. Pearce reported that Congressman Skelton has put in for an earmark for UCM in the 2009 Omnibus Bill. The House version of the 2009 Omnibus Bill earmarks \$285,000 for the clinic. UCM very much appreciates Congressman Skelton putting this earmark in for UCM. Although it is possible that there will be no federal earmarks for FY 2010, it is important for President Podolefsky to continue his annual visits with UCM's Congressional delegates.

Ms. Pearce stated that UCM is monitoring the funds for the stimulus package. Missouri's Senate Appropriations Committee asked for a one-time expenditure wish list, which UCM has submitted. UCM also put together several proposals for things that it would like to see funded, and has talked with members of the State Legislature and the Governor's staff about the proposals. Ms. Pearce said that the ESCO proposal is particularly fascinating to everyone. It is possible that UCM could receive some funding for the project, which would allow the university to use some of the cost savings for other high need areas.

Ms. Pearce noted that she and President Podolefsky were pleased to see Mr. Phillips at the Capitol last week and invited Board members to join them in future visits with Legislators. While in Jefferson City, President Podolefsky was asked to testify in support of a resolution through the House and the Senate that would bring the Air Force's Global Strike Command to Whiteman Air Force Base. Whiteman is one of six bases being considered for the Command, which would bring oversight of the nation's nuclear bombs and missiles and 900 associated personnel and their families to the Base. Congressman Skelton is a proponent of this move and is asking for supporting resolutions. A draft resolution was previously sent to the Board for consideration.

Mr. Hicklin moved that the Board of Governors adopt a resolution that supports the choice of Whiteman Air Force Base as the permanent headquarters of the Air Force's Global Strike Command, and authorize Board President Phillips and University President Podolefsky to sign it. The motion was seconded by Ms. Williams and carried unanimously. (A copy of the signed resolution is included with the minutes as Attachment 4.)

Mr. Wright reported that to date, over 1,300 bills have been filed during this Legislative Session. UCM is tracking those bills identified as priorities. There has been much focus on the Recovery Act and the Jobs Bill. During the past week, President Podolefsky, Ms. Pearce, and Mr. Wright visited with key appropriations Legislators and different staff from the Governor's Office to promote UCM capital projects that are in line with the Recovery Act such as the ESCO, the airport expansion, the incubator accelerator, and a new Science building.

UCM's Innovation Center Advisory Committee was in Jefferson City yesterday. Joining them were Senator Pearce and Representative Hoskins. President Podolefsky, Ms. Pearce and Mr. Wright had the opportunity to meet with the Director of the Department of Economic Development and to promote the Innovation Center.

Ms. Williams asked if the Council of Public Higher Education (COPHE) has taken a position on the Governor's proposal for Access Missouri dollars. President Podolefsky said that COPHE will support the Governor's plan and the legislative proposals put forth by Senator Pearce and Representative Kingery to equalize Access Missouri student financial aid to students with the same financial need regardless of whether they are enrolled at a public or private four-year university. COPHE will also support the efforts of the public community colleges to equalize with the private two-year entities. Ms. Williams asked if there is any value in individual Boards taking a position. President Podolefsky said there would be some benefit in doing so. He noted that COPHE will have students testify in support of the plan and legislation at the next hearing.

Ms. Williams moved that the Board of Governors support Governor Nixon's plan and related legislation to equalize Access Missouri student financial aid to students with the same financial need regardless of whether they are enrolled at a public or private four-year university. The motion was seconded by Mr. Fick and carried unanimously.

Mr. Wright invited student groups to submit similar statements of support through the President's Office. He closed in saying that initiatives are underway to involve UCM in the Math Initiative, which is being coordinated by the State Chamber of Commerce. UCM's participation would provide it the opportunity to be involved in policy formulation.

Consent Agenda – Agenda Item No. 11

The following items were listed as part of the consent agenda:

- Proposed Revisions to Department of Art and Design Major Programs (Attachment 5)
- Proposed Name Change for B.S.E. in Vocational Agriculture Education Degree (Attachment 6)
- Award of Posthumous Degrees (Attachment 7)

Mr. Hicklin moved that the Board of Governors approve the items listed as part of the consent agenda. The motion was seconded by Mr. Fick and carried unanimously.

Board Committee on Academic Affairs

Mr. Hicklin, Chair of the Board Committee on Academic Affairs, reported that no committee meeting was held this month. He asked Provost Wilson to present the following agenda items.

Revised Charter Schools Contract Template – Agenda Item No. 12

Provost Wilson said that Charter School legislation has changed considerably since the university first became involved with the Charter Schools, including the provision of state support for higher education sponsors. These changes require revisions be made to the standard contract template used with those Charter Schools sponsored by UCM.

Mr. Marvin Wright said the initial Charter School contracts were for five years. Due to changes in the law and UCM's experience in working with the charter schools, it is necessary to make changes in the contract template. He added that the changes more clearly articulate the important responsibilities each school must meet. The contract changes also give greater leverage to the university to ensure greater accountability of the schools. Mr. Setser said that the contract changes are in accordance with Chapter 160 of the Missouri Revised Statutes. General Counsel has reviewed the contract template and concurs with the revisions.

Mr. Hicklin moved that the Board of Governors approve the revised Charter School contract template. The motion was seconded by Mr. Fick and carried unanimously.

A copy of the briefing paper and revised contract template are included with the minutes as Attachment 8.

Approval of Contracts for Academie Lafayette Charter School and Della Lamb Elementary Charter School – Agenda Items No. 13 and 14

The Board of Governors approved a ten-year renewal of the charter school agreements with Academie Lafayette Charter School and Della Lamb Elementary Charter School during its June 18, 2008, meeting. Contracts for each of the schools has been prepared based on the revised Charter School template as noted in Agenda Item No. 12, and are now ready for the Board’s consideration. General Counsel has reviewed the contracts and concurs with the contract language for both schools.

Mr. Fick moved that the Board of Governors approve contracts with Academie Lafayette Charter School and Della Lamb Elementary Charter School, for the period of July 1 2009 to June 30, 2019. The motion was seconded by Mr. Brady and carried unanimously.

Copies of the briefing papers and contracts for Academie Lafayette Charter School and Della Lamb Elementary Charter School are included with the minutes as Attachments 9 and 10 respectively.

Spring Enrollment Management Report – Agenda Item No. 15

Provost Wilson stated that a PowerPoint presentation included under Tab 11 of the meeting materials provides an overview of the Spring Enrollment Management Report (Attachment 11). Of particular interest is that the first-time, full-time persistence rate reached 90% at a time when retention/persistence is declining.

Provost Wilson commended Dr. Matt Melvin and his staff for all of their good work in the area of enrollment management.

Board Committee on Administration & Finance

Mr. Fick, Chair of the Board Committee on Administration & Finance, reported that the committee did not meet this month.

Board Committee on Student & Alumni Affairs

Ms. Williams, Chair of the Board Committee on Student & Alumni Affairs, reported that the committee did not meet this month; however she provided updates on the following items:

Student Affairs

- Michelle Hendricks, UCM Director of University Health Services has resigned her position effective March 27. She will assume a directorship of health services at Iowa State University in Ames.
- UCM is progressing with the Food Services RFP responses. Final recommendations on the bids will be presented to the Board sometime in the next couple of month, barring any unforeseen circumstances.

- Student Affairs is reviewing room and board rates for 2009-2010 and will consider current economic conditions in its planning.
- UCM had a record number of employers participating in its Spring Career Fair held on February 4 in the Multipurpose Building. It is anticipated there will be a lower than normal market for jobs available to recent college graduates as a result of today's economy.

Alumni Affairs

- The theme for this year's Homecoming is *Mules around the World*. The Alumni Office is working with the International office to host an international reunion this same weekend.
- At the January Alumni Board of Directors meeting, 2009 award recipients were selected for the International Distinguished Alumni Award, the Distinguished Alumni Award, and the Outstanding Recent Graduate Award. The Alumni Office is awaiting confirmation of acceptance from all of the award recipients.
- In 2008, Alumni Relations hosted 51 events that included 5,761 alumni and friends. This is an average of 112 people per event. Events are currently being coordinated in Florida, Missouri, Arizona, Illinois, Texas, and Nebraska. Additionally, the university's hot air balloon will fly again this year.
- Alumni Relations is working with Information Services to create an online form for people to use in RSVPing and paying for events.
- Alumni Relations will publish an e-newsletter beginning this month in an effort to improve communications with alums.

Board Business

Mr. Fick moved that pursuant to the Missouri Revised Statutes, Section 610.021, that the UCM Board of Governors reaffirm its vote of January 22, 2009, to meet in closed meeting, with closed record and closed vote, immediately following the conclusion of the Plenary Session for the purpose of considering real estate matters, legal actions, and personnel matters.

Mr. Hicklin asked why the Board was reaffirming its action of January 22. Mr. Wright explained that following the last meeting he and Ms. Huffman spoke and were in agreement that the motion to go into Closed Session should be made at the end of the Plenary Session and just prior to the Closed Session on the date that it is actually to be held. The Board's past practice has been to take action the preceding month's meeting. Because the Board previously took action in January, the Board was asked to reaffirm the vote today. Motions for future meetings will be made on the day of the meeting.

Mr. Hicklin seconded the motion, which passed with the following roll call vote:

Walter Hicklin	aye	Deleta Williams	aye
Lawrence Fick	aye	Edward Baker	aye
Weldon Brady	aye	Richard Phillips	aye

Adjournment

There being no further business to discuss, Mr. Fick moved that the meeting adjourn. The motion was seconded by Mr. Hicklin and carried unanimously. The meeting adjourned at 10:50 a.m.

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Attachments Listing

<u>Attachment No.</u>	<u>Attachment Description</u>
1	<i>Governance Groups Reports</i>
2	<i>PowerPoint Presentation – ESCO Investment Grade Audit</i>
3	<i>PowerPoint Presentation – Center for Alternative Fuels & Environmental Systems</i>
4	<i>Resolution – Air Force’s Global Strike Command</i>
5	<i>Briefing Paper – Proposed Revisions to Department of Art and Design Major Programs</i>
6	<i>Briefing Paper – Proposed Name Change for B.S.E. in Vocational Agriculture Education Degree</i>
7	<i>Briefing Paper – Award of Posthumous Degrees</i>
8	<i>Briefing Paper and Contract - Revised Charter Schools Contract Template</i>
9	<i>Briefing Paper and Contract – Academie Lafayette Charter School</i>
10	<i>Briefing Paper and Contract – Della Lamb Elementary Charter School</i>
11	<i>PowerPoint Presentation – Spring Enrollment Management Report</i>