# University of Central Missouri Board of Governors Special Board Meeting May 28, 2009

The University of Central (UCM) Missouri Board of Governors convened a special Plenary Session on Thursday, May 28, 2009, at 10:00 a.m. via conference call, which originated from ADM 204 on UCM's main campus in Warrensburg, Missouri. Presiding over the meeting from ADM 204 was Board President Richard Phillips. Other Board members participating from ADM 204 were Walter Hicklin and Weldon Brady. Board members participating by phone were Deleta Williams, Lawrence Fick, Mary Long, and Ryan Sanders. Governor Edward Baker was not available to participate and was excused. Others participating from ADM 204 were University President Aaron Podolefsky, Provost George Wilson; Vice President for Administration & Finance Betty Roberts; General Counsel Henry Setser; Assistant Secretary to the Board Monica Huffman; Capital Projects Manager Larry Ray; and Jeff Murphy of University Relations.

#### Call to Order

Mr. Phillips called the meeting to order. Following a roll call vote, he determined that a quorum was present to conduct business.

### Morrow-Garrison and Student Recreation Center Construction Bids - Agenda Item No. 1

Dr. Roberts highlighted key points from a briefing paper that was previously provided to the Board (Attachment 1). She stated that \$28 million was allocated for the construction and design of the facilities and that the bids came in at \$26.9 million. The bid includes eight alternate individual project packages and not-to-exceed pricing for six project packages that need to be rebid because they were evaluated as inaccurately reflecting the contract design documents.

The difference between the budgeted \$28 million and the actual bid provides an additional \$1 million for additional building enhancements. An evaluation of additional enhancements is currently being made by the design team and UCM representatives. One of the additional enhancements being considered is adding back square footage to the Student Recreation and Wellness Center that was previously removed from the design due to a declining economy last year that resulted in increased construction costs. Since that time, the economy has made some improvement lowering construction costs.

The Board had a thorough discussion regarding the appropriate application of student fees and state funds for the Morrow-Garrison renovation and the Student Recreation and Wellness Center construction. Mr. Hicklin said he wants to ensure that great care is used in the appropriation of funds, and more specifically, that student fees are not used to enhance the Morrow-Garrison renovation project. Dr. Roberts assured him that a thorough accounting is being regularly made of where state funds for the Morrow-Garrison renovation and student fee money for the Student Recreation and Wellness Center, are being spent. Additionally, the expenditure of these funds

are closely monitored by Administration and Finance staff, as well as the College of Health and Human Services and Student Affairs Division. The State of Missouri also mandates regular accounting reports be submitted for the expenditure of funds for the Morrow-Garrison facility.

Mr. Fick moved that the Board of Governors authorize UCM to award contracts for the renovation of Morrow-Garrison complex and construction of the Student Recreation and Wellness Center in the amount of \$28 million. The motion was seconded by Mr. Brady and carried with the following roll call vote:

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

Messrs. Fick and Brady asked that the Board receive the budget detail of those items that are rebid, as well as detail related to any additional building enhancements including the possible addition of square footage to the Student Recreation and Wellness Center.

Note: Dr. Long abstained from all voting pending the administration of her Oath of Office as a newly appointed Board member.

## <u>Training Aircraft Purchase</u> – Agenda Item No. 2

Provost Wilson noted that a briefing paper was previously sent to the Board with background information about the training aircraft purchase (Attachment 2).

Mr. Brady asked if the Aviation Department has money in its budget for this purchase. Provost Wilson said it will cost UCM \$477,750 to purchase the two new Cessna 172SP aircraft. This cost will be offset by the sale of four older Cessna 172 training aircraft at a cost of \$277,800. The remaining balance of \$199,950 will come from the Aviation Department budget, which also includes funds from the sale of the King Air.

Mr. Hicklin asked if UCM is certain that it will receive \$277,800 for the four older aircraft. Dr. Roberts stated that the sale of these aircraft, as well as the purchase of the two new aircraft is being handled by Peter R. Sudekum, St. Louis Aircraft Sales, an aircraft broker under contract with the university. St. Louis Aircraft has indicated that the aircraft would sell for this amount.

Mr. Hicklin moved that the Board of Governors authorize (1) the purchase of two new Cessna 172SP aircraft equipped with state-of-the-art glass cockpits, for a total cost not to exceed \$500,000, and (2) the sale of four older Cessna 172 training aircraft. The motion was seconded by Mr. Fick and carried with the following roll call vote:

Walter Hicklin	aye	Weldon Brady	aye
Deleta Williams	aye	Richard Phillips	aye
Lawrence Fick	ave	_	-

### Other – Agenda Item No. 3

Health Care - President Podolefsky reminded the Board that at its April 23, 2009, meeting, the Board authorized him, as a one-time event, to pay the employees' monthly share of their health insurance premiums from the Blue Cross/Blue Shield refund if he felt it was the most appropriate use of the funds after receiving recommendations from the Health Care Alternative Committee.

Since the April meeting, President Podolefsky received a report from the Health Care Alternatives Committee recommending that the Blue Cross/Blue Shield refund be used to establish a health care reserve for each employee who has health insurance through the university. Employees could then use the reserve to help pay for health related costs such as co-pays, insurance premiums, etc.

The Board concurred with this recommendation and stressed the importance of ensuring that employees that participate in UCM's health insurance program understand how much the university appreciates their efforts to be healthy and that the Board and administration are pleased to be able to recognize these efforts through a health care reserve fund.

<u>Professional Golf Management Program</u> - A discussion was held related to UCM's
efforts to establish and gain accreditation of a Professional Golf Management Program at
UCM.

### **Adjournment**

There being no further business to discuss, Mr.Hicklin moved that the meeting adjourn. The motion was seconded by Mr. Fick and carried with the following roll call vote:

Walter Hicklin	aye	Weldon Brady	aye
Deleta Williams	aye	Richard Phillips	aye
Lawrence Fick	ave		

The meeting adjourned at 10:50 a.m.