# University of Central Missouri Board of Governors Work Session June 20, 2012

The University of Central Missouri (UCM) Board of Governors convened in Work Session on Wednesday, June 20, 2012, at UCM's Summit Center, 850 N.W. Chipman Road, Lee's Summit, Missouri. As part of the session, the Board toured UCM's Summit Center and the R-7 Lee's Summit Technology Academy, Lee's Summit, Missouri. Following the tours, the Board met at 2:30 p.m. in Room 148 of the Summit Center to discuss business matters. Presiding over the meeting was Board President Walter Hicklin. Other Board members in attendance were Governors Weldon Brady, Mary Long, Marvin E. Wright, Edward Baker, Mary Dandurand, Gus Wetzel II, and Kyle Shell. Also present was University President Charles Ambrose; General Counsel Henry Setser; Assistant Secretary to the Board Monica Huffman; UCM staff members George Wilson, John Merrigan, Mike Grelle, and Chris Wellman; Stan Elliott of the R-7 School District and future Program Coordinator for the Missouri Innovation Campus; and Dennis Strait of Gould Evans.

### Call to Order

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

### **Missouri Innovation Campus Update**

President Ambrose introduced Mr. Stan Elliott, Assistant Superintendent for the R-7 Lee's Summit School District. He noted that effective July 9, 2012, Mr. Elliott will join UCM as its Missouri Innovation Campus Project Facilitator. This follows Mr. Elliott's retirement from the R-7 Lee's Summit School District where he served for 33 years.

Mr. Elliott has worked closely with Dr. Mike Grelle and others over the past several months to develop a curriculum for the first program offering – Systems Engineering Technology. Mr. Elliott gave a Power Point presentation that provided an update on the curriculum (Attachment 1). Mr. Elliott commended UCM on this initiative, noting that this program does not exist elsewhere in Missouri.

Dr. Grelle shared the process used in developing the curriculum, which involved a number of people from UCM, the R-7 Lee's Summit School District, Metropolitan Community Colleges, and industry partners. Systems Engineering Technology was identified as a field that industry has great difficulty in finding qualified individuals for. In fact, Cerner Corporation projects a need for 7,000 new employees over the next several years. There are 23 students participating in the program and at their completion, they will have earned a high school diploma and both an Associate's and Bachelor's degree in Systems Engineering. Dr. Grelle reviewed a list of competencies that students must be able to demonstrate in order to successfully complete the program. A review was also made of the program timeline and associated costs for the first year (included as part of Attachment 1). President Ambrose

commended the Curriculum team for all of their hard work. He added that UCM employed Finkle-Williams Architecture to conduct a space study for the Missouri Innovation Campus, which will be shared with the Board this Fall.

# **Mixed Use Facility**

Mr. Dennis Strait of Gould Evans presented an overview of the plan to implement the Mixed Use Development project, which involves several steps including relocation of the General Services Building (GSB) and the football locker room, and replacement of stadium seating at the current "horseshoe" of Walton Stadium. Mr. Strait reviewed the implementation schedule and discussed the differences between two project delivery options for the design and construction of the project – (1) Construction Manager Adviser Process; and (2) Design Build concept. It was noted that a recommendation would be made at the June 21, 2012, Plenary Session to utilize the Design Build concept and to employ the services of Gould Evans as the University's "bridging designer" for the project and as the University's representative during the design and construction phase of the project.

Dr. Wetzel asked if there is any cost savings by using one method over the other. Mr. Strait said there is no real difference in the costs; the savings is in time and material costs. He anticipates project completion to be six months earlier using the Design Build concept, which would allow the University to start renting housing units sooner. Mr. Wright expressed concern regarding the design of the facility and asked if the University would have a say regarding the selection of the architectural firm used to design the facility. Mr. Wellman stated that a Request for Proposals would be issued and the bid process followed. The Board will have the final approval of the facility design.

Mr. Wright asked how the University intends to fund the project. Mr. Merrigan said that with the help of Gould Evans, UCM would identify different aspects of the project and quantify the costs. Mr. Brady acknowledged that the project will involve a commitment of funds; however, the significance of the project will help grow the University. He noted that fundraising for the project may be necessary to help cover some of the costs.

Mr. Baker asked what the expected cost is for Gould Evans' services. Mr. Merrigan said he anticipates the firm's services to cost approximately \$1.2 million. The Board expressed concern regarding the unknown total project costs for the Mixed Use Development and suggested establishing a cap on spending related to the project to avoid investing more money than is necessary should the total project cost exceed UCM's ability to fund it. Governor Baker noted that UCM has had a good relationship with Gould Evans over the years, which has resulted in trust. If the Board approves a recommendation to use the Design Build concept and to employ the services of Gould Evans, the only obligation of funds the University would have at this time would be to Gould Evans for its time and services. President Ambrose said the University would work with Gould Evans to help safeguard the University from expending funds unnecessarily and would continue to assess the value of spending reserves for the project if adequate funds are not raised.

President Ambrose asked Mr. Wellman to discuss plans for the movement of the GSB to the Southeast Elementary School property. Mr. Wellman said the 90,000-square foot property is smaller than the GSB and that they are looking at furnishings and ways to create a new workflow, to accommodate reduced work space. He added that an "employee success area" that includes exercise equipment, will be incorporated into the south end of the property to help improve employee morale.

### **Other**

There was no other business to discuss.

# Request for Closed Session - June 20, 2012

Dr. Long moved pursuant to the Missouri Revised Statutes, Section 610.021, that the UCM Board of Governors meet in closed meeting, with closed record and closed vote, for the purpose of considering real estate matters, legal actions, and personnel matters. The motion was seconded by Ms. Dandurand and carried with the following roll call vote:

Weldon Brady	aye	Gus Wetzel II	aye
Mary Dandurand	aye	Mary Long	aye
Marvin E. Wright	aye	Walter Hicklin	aye
Edward Baker	aye		

The meeting concluded at 4:30 p.m.

# University of Central Missouri Board of Governors June 20, 2012 Work Session Attachments Listing

Attachment No.	Attachment Description
1	PPT – Systems Engineering Technology Missouri Innovation Campus Program Timeline, Estimated First-Year Costs, and Competencies List
2	PPT – Mixed Use Development Implementation