# University of Central Missouri Board of Governors Plenary Session April 26, 2019

The University of Central Missouri (UCM) Board of Governors convened in Plenary Session on Friday, April 26, 2019, at 9:30 a.m. in Union 237B on UCM's main campus. The Board toured the Welch-Schmidt Center for Communciation Disorders preceding the Plenary Session at 8:30 a.m. Presiding over the meeting was Board President John Collier. Other Board members present included Governors Gus Wetzel II, Mary Dandurand, Marvin E. Wright, Mary Long, Walter Hicklin, Stephen Abney, and Student Governor Casey Short. Also in attendance were University President Roger Best, General Counsel Lindsay Chapman, and Assistant Secretary to the Board Monica Huffman.

# <u>Call to Order</u> – Agenda Item No. 1

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

# **Remarks by the Board President** – Agenda Item No. 2

Mr. Collier made remarks about the recent inauguration of UCM's 16<sup>th</sup> President, Dr. Roger Best, and extended the Board's congratulations. He expressed regret for not being able to participate in the tour of the Welch-Schmidt Center for Communication Disorders. Ms. Dandurand commented the services offered by the Center are a great resource to the community; Mr. Abney commented on the quality of the academic program provided to students resulting in a 100% job placement rate. In closing, Mr. Collier stated some Board members and staff recently attended the Association of Governing Board's National Conference on Trusteeship, which provided additional opportunities to learn more about higher education across the nation. Having done so, he expressed how fortunate UCM is to be in a better place than many institutions and attributed this to the faculty, staff, and students.

# Remarks by the University President - Agenda Item No. 3

President Best thanked the Board, the campus, and the community for their engagement in the Inauguration and other related events. He also expressed appreciation to the Board for taking time to tour the Welch-Schmidt Center for Communication Disorders. Through the Center and its academic program, UCM students change lives and make a positive impact on society. In closing, President Best said next week's Commencement will be a culmination and celebration of students' hard work, and then thanked the Board for their participation and for all they do for the University.

# Introductions and Recognitions - Agenda Item No. 4

- <u>Byler Award Recipient</u> Dr. Godard provided background information about the Byler Distinguished Faculty Award and this year's recipient, Dr. Charles Schwepker. Dr. Schwepker was introduced, presented a plaque and photographed with Mr. Collier and President Best. The Board extended congratulations.
- <u>J.P. Mees Award Recipient</u> deferred to June.
- <u>Support Staff Award</u> deferred to June.
- <u>Charno Award Recipients</u> Dr. Bax provided background information about the Charno Award and this year's recipients, Yuganesh Gunalan, a senior aviation management student from

- Puchong, Selangor, Malaysia, and Katherine Kim, a senior international studies major from Oak Grove, Missouri. Mr. Selangor and Ms. Kim were introduced to the Board and received its congratulations. Photos were taken with Mr. Collier and President Best.
- <u>Learning to a Greater Degree Award Recipients</u> Ms. Waldram provided background information about the Learning to a Greater Degree Award and introduced the Spring recipients -- faculty member Dr. Tricia Hansen-Horn and student recipient DaVontae Hair. Dr. Horn and Mr. Hair were introduced to the Board and congratulated. Learning to a Greater Degree prints were presented to each recipient and photographs were taken with Mr. Collier and President Best.

#### **Plenary Session**

### Consent Agenda - Agenda Item No. 5

Mr. Collier presented the following Consent Agenda action items.

- Minutes of March 14, 2019, Work Session, and March 15, 2019, Plenary Session
- *Emeritus Status* for Ms. Lisa Morse effective April 30, 2019 (Attachment 1)
- <u>Third-Party Administration for Student Medical Claims Services</u> Award of one-year contract, with two, one-year renewal options to Vivature, Inc. for third-party medical claims processing and provider services specific to the University Health Center (Attachment 2)
- <u>Todd and South Todd Residence Halls Fire Alarm Replacement and Upgrades</u> Award of contract to Keller Fire & Safety for Todd and South Todd Residence Halls fire alarm replacement and upgrades in the amount of \$380,890 (Attachment 3)
- <u>UCC Roof Replacement</u> Award of contract to Watkins Roofing, Inc. of Columbia, Missouri for roof replacement at UCC in the amount of \$426,150 (Attachment 4)
- <u>Immunization Policy</u> Changes to BOG Policy 1.110 Immunization Policy as shown in Attachment 5

Dr. Long moved that the Board of Governors approve all Consent Agenda action items as shown above. The motion was seconded by Dr. Wetzel and carried unanimously.

Mr. Collier noted the following Consent Agenda information items.

- FY 2019 Third Quarter Statement of Revenues & Expenses (Attachment 6)
- FY 2019 Third Quarter Investment Report (Attachment 7)

#### Reports/Updates

# Verbal Governance Groups Reports - Agenda Item No. 6

• <u>Faculty Senate</u> – Dr. Steve Price, Faculty Senate President, gave an overview of Faculty Senate activities this semester. The report addressed and/or included – concern for how faculty pay could affect retention of quality faculty; concern about instructional faculty tiers and how to implement tiers more fairly; appreciation for faculty input to the Provost search; concern about the transition of departments to schools and a need to possibly revisit the structure; and concern about implementing a Responsibility Centered Management budget model. In closing,

Dr. Price announced this was his last Board meeting as Faculty Senate President; Dr. Jim Loch is the incoming President. He thanked Dr. Best for his willingness to listen to faculty. Ms. Chapman expressed appreciation for the leadership Dr. Price provided during his tenure as Faculty Senate President noting his service and commitment to several committees across campus.

- <u>Staff Council</u> Ms. Beth Rutt, Staff Council President, expressed appreciation on behalf of the Staff Council for the opportunity to participate in governance, and referenced input to the strategic plan. Ms. Rutt stated the Staff Council is concerned about the lack of salary increases and the potential for salary compression. Staff are also concerned about inadequate staffing in some areas following UCM's efforts to "right size" a few years ago. In closing, Ms. Rutt said the Staff Council is following legislation pertaining to higher education. To close, she noted the Staff Council Appreciation breakfast would be held on May 15, at which time the recipients of the JP Mees and Staff Support Educational awards will be announced.
- <u>Student Government Association</u> Ms. Courtney Abt, Student Government Association (SGA) President, gave a report on SGA Spring activities that included a visit to Jefferson City to learn more about the Legislature; regular meetings of the SGA President and Vice President with President Best; and presentation of the Excellence in Governance Award to Dr. Charles Ambrose. The SGA is working to grow both the House and Senate and to maintain student retention. There are plans to establish an ad hoc committee to help determine what students want to see on campus. In closing, Ms. Abt announced that Cole Fine is the incoming SGA President and Katy Cupp is the incoming Vice President. She thanked Dr. Bax and Ms. Rutt for serving as advisors for SGA and for all they do to help the SGA throughout the year.

President Best thanked Dr. Price, Ms. Rutt and Ms. Abt for the leadership they provided during the past year and for the positive contributions they made during a year of fiscal challenges and transition in leadership.

### **University Update** – Agenda Item No. 7

President Best said he and Dr. Godard have spent time during the semester meeting with faculty of all ranks listening to concerns. He thanked Dr. Godard for participating in these meetings. He remarked on the success of the *Mule Nation* event held last evening and thanked the Alumni Foundation staff, in particular Jamie Jennings and Tiffany Cochran, for their work in preparing for the event. President Best also thanked the Board for their participation and stated he looked forward to many more similar events nationwide.

# Legislative Update - Agenda Item No. 8

President Best provided a legislative update that included information about higher education funding. He noted the Senate modified the House version of a pending bill to add \$1 million to the core budget. Essentially the funding levels proposed by the House and Senate are much the same. President Best also discussed Title IX legislation that would change how Title IX claims are processed at the state level. He was doubtful the proposed bill would move forward as currently written, but will continue monitoring it in the event it is appended to other bills. Lastly, President Best mentioned legislation related to free expression of speech, noting UCM has policy and procedures in place to address this. In closing, President Best said he recently had an opportunity to meet with Congresswoman Vicky Hartzler to talk about UCM's institutional priorities.

# Board Committee on Student Engagement & University Advancement

Ms. Dandurand, Chair of the Board Committee on Student Engagement & University Advancement, said the Committee did not meet this month. Therefore, there was nothing to report.

# **Board Committee on Academic Affairs**

Dr. Mary Long, Chair of the Board Committee on Academic Affairs, said the Committee did not meet this month. Therefore, there was nothing to report.

# **Board Committee on Finance & Administration**

Mr. Wright, Chair of the Board Committee on Finance & Administration, stated the Committee met the preceding day. He invited Mr. Hawley to present the following agenda items.

# Reinvestment Fee Proposal - Agenda Item No. 9

Mr. Hawley provided a brief summary of the background information included under Tab 14 of the meeting materials (Attachment 8) pertaining to a proposed reinvestment fee for the Alumni Foundation. Mr. Wright stated this item has been vetted at past committee meetings and was discussed during yesterday's Finance and Administration Committee meeting.

Mr. Wright moved that the Board of Governors approve the Alumni Foundation Board of Directors' request to implement a one-time Reinvestment Fee as set forth in the briefing paper (Attachment 8) for all new Alumni Foundation funds functioning as endowments, effective July 1, 2019. The funds generated from the Reinvestment Fee may be used as approved by the President through normal budgeting practices, including for the purposes of funding alumni programming, donor stewardship and staff professional development and enhancement. The motion was seconded by Mr. Abney and carried unanimously.

# Central Missouri Police Academy (CMPA) Fees - Agenda Item No. 10

Mr. Hawley referred the Board to Tab 15 of the meeting materials (Attachment 9) that included background information related to a proposed increase to the CMPA student tuition, which would become effective with the start of the Summer 2019 Academy (July 8, 2019). The proposed tuition increase is \$800 per student, increasing the total tuition cost from \$5,410 to \$6,210. *Dr. Wetzel moved that the Board of Governors approve an \$800 increase to the total tuition for the Central Missouri Police Academy. The motion was seconded by Mr. Wright and carried unanimously.* 

# **Establishment of Active Military Student Tuition Rate** – Agenda Item No. 11

Mr. Hawley referred the Board to Tab 16 of the meeting materials (Attachment 10) containing information about a proposed active military tuition rate for military service members and veterans of \$250, the equivalent of the tuition assistance rate approved by the Department of Defense (DoD). The cost difference between the proposed tuition rate and UCM's Fall 2019 online tuition rate is \$42.05. *Mr. Wright moved that the Board of Governors approve an active military undergraduate tuition rate equivalent to the DoD's approved tuition assistance credit hour rate, as long as the DoD rate does not decrease from \$250. The motion was seconded by Mr. Abney and carried unanimously.* 

# Extension of Military Tuition Package - Agenda Item No. 12

Mr. Hawley provided a brief summary of the briefing paper included in the meeting materials under Tab 17 (Attachment 11). With the Board's approval, active military and veterans who have exhausted their military educational benefits while obtaining their degree, would be granted an extension of UCM's Military Tuition Package, which includes application fee waiver; new student fee waiver; free parking each semester; and exemption from mandatory fees. *Mr. Abney moved that the Board of Governors approve extension of UCM's Military Tuition Package to all active military and veterans who have exhausted their military educational benefits while obtaining their degree. The motion was seconded by Dr. Long and carried unanimously.* 

#### Academic Year 2019-2020 Room and Board Rates - Agenda Item No. 13

Dr. Bax presented information contained in the briefing paper under Tab 18 of the meeting materials related to room and board rates for Academic Year 2019-2020 (Attachment 12). The recommended rates were as follows:

#### Residence Halls

\$2,806 \$3,406	Double occupancy (\$600 more than the double room rate – limited availability)
\$1,675	Silver Dining Plan (unlimited dining, three guest passes, \$150 in Dining Dollars)
\$1,775	Gold Dining Plan (unlimited dining, six guest passes, \$300 in Dining Dollars)
\$1,975	Platinum Dining Plan (unlimited dining, eight guest passes, \$500 in Dining Dollars)

# Apartments (monthly rate)

\$727	Foster/Knox/Nickerson (furnished and utilities included)
\$727 \$896	Todd 1 bedroom (furnished and utilities included) Todd 2 bedrooms (furnished and utilities included)
\$594 \$717 \$857	Central Village 1 bedroom (unfurnished, residents pay gas and electric) Central Village 2 bedrooms (unfurnished, residents pay gas and electric) Central Village 3 bedrooms (unfurnished, residents pay gas and electric)
\$783	Greenwood Park 2 bedroom (unfurnished, residents pay gas and electric)
\$578 \$578 \$676	The Crossing 4 bedroom (furnished and utilities included) The Crossing 4 bedroom garden apartment (furnished and utilities included) The Crossing 2 bedroom (furnished and utilities include)

Mr. Wright moved that the Board of Governors approve the recommended room and board rates for Academic Year 2019-2020 as noted above. The motion was seconded by Mr. Hicklin and carried unanimously.

### FY 2020 Operating Budget - Agenda Item No. 14

The FY 2020 Operating Budget (Attachment 13) was presented in detail at the April 25, 2019, Finance and Administration Committee of the Whole meeting. Mr. Abney stated the budget included with the meeting materials is tentative and a final budget will be presented in June. Mr. Wright added the budget is subject to decisions the Legislature makes regarding higher education funding for the next academic year. Mr. Abney moved that the Board of Governors approve the proposed FY 2020 Operating Budget with the understanding that the final budget will reflect any significant change in proposed state appropriations for UCM. The motion was seconded by Dr. Wetzel and carried unanimously.

# **Board Business**

# **Proposed Revision to University Mission Statement** - Agenda Item No. 15

Dr. Koch reviewed the proposed revised University mission statement (Attachment 14), "The University of Central Missouri (UCM) disseminates knowledge that transforms students into leaders who possess the aptitudes, skills, and confidence to succeed." He said as part of the process the committee obtained feedback from a number of diverse groups, and President Best also reviewed the statement and provided modifications. President Best acknowledged the statement is brief; however, as print materials are developed the mission statement will be accompanied by bullet points relative to the document(s).

Mr. Hicklin moved that the Board of Governors adopt the revised mission statement of "The University of Central Missouri (UCM) disseminates knowledge that transforms students into leaders who possess the aptitudes, skills, and confidence to succeed." The motion was seconded by Ms. Dandurand and carried unanimously.

### **Appointment of Nominating Committee** - Agenda Item No. 16

Mr. Collier announced he appointed a nominating committee for FY 2020 Board Officers. Mr. Hicklin and Dr. Wetzel will serve on the committee and make a report at the June meeting.

#### Other Business – Agenda Item No. 17

There was no other business to discuss.

# **Adjournment** - Agenda Item No. 18

*Mr. Hicklin moved that the meeting adjourn. The motion was seconded by Ms. Dandurand and carried unanimously.* The meeting concluded at 10:20 a.m.

# University of Central Missouri Board of Governors Plenary Session April 26, 2019 Attachment Listing

#### Attachment No. **Attachment Description** Emeritus Status Request 1 Third Party Administration for Studetn Medical Claims 2 Services Todd and South Todd Residence Halls Fire Alarm 3 Replacement and Upgrades 4 *UCC* Roof Replacement 5 Immunization Policy FY 2019 Third Quarter Statement of Revenues & 6 7 FY 2019 Third Quarter Investment Report 8 Reinvestment Fee Proposal 9 Central Missouri Police Academy (CMPA) Fees 10 Establishment of Active Military Student Tuition Rate Extension of Military Tuition Package 11 12 AY 2019-2020 Room and Board Rates FY 2020 Operating Budget 13 14 Proposed Revisions – University Mission Statement