

*University of Central Missouri*  
*Board of Governors*  
*Teleconference*  
*October 24, 2007*

The University of Central Missouri's (UCM) Board of Governors convened in Plenary Session via conference call on Wednesday, October 24, 2007, at 8:00 a.m. The call originated from ADM 204 on the main campus of the University of Central Missouri, Warrensburg, Missouri. Presiding over the meeting by phone was Board President Deleta Williams. Others participating by phone included Governors Jennifer Nixon, Richard Phillips, Lawrence Fick, Michelle Wimes, Edward Baker, and Walter Hicklin Governor Anthony Arton participated in the meeting from ADM 204. Also in attendance were University President Dr. Aaron Podolefsky, Dr. Betty Roberts, Dr. Rich Morrell, Ms. Judith Siminoe, Ms. Ann Pearce, Ms. Beth Rutt, Mr. Jeff Murphy, Mr. Darren Doherty, and Mr. Nate Taylor.

**Special Honors and Awards**

Ms. Pearce referred the Board to a briefing paper that included the background information of the recipients being recommended for special awards and recognitions (Attachment 1). She reviewed the information about the recommended recipients for the Distinguished Service Award – Robert L. and Rosalee B. Welling for presentation at the December 2007 Commencement, and Cheryl Harness for presentation at the May 2008 Commencement; and a Honorary Doctorate to Joe Vandepopuliere for presentation at the May 2008 Commencement.

Ms. Wimes moved that the Board of Governors approve the presentation of the Distinguished Service Award to Robert and Rosalee Welling at the December 2007 Commencement; and the Distinguished Service award to Cheryl Harness at the May 2008 Commencement. The motion was seconded by Ms. Nixon and carried with the following roll call vote:

Deleta Williams	aye	Lawrence Fick	aye
Jennifer Nixon	aye	Michelle Wimes	aye
Richard Phillips	aye	Walter Hicklin	aye
Edward Baker	aye		

Mr. Fick moved that the Board of Governors approve the presentation of a Honorary Doctorate, Doctor of Science, at the May 2008 Commencement. The motion was seconded by Mr. Phillips and carried with the following roll call vote:

Deleta Williams	aye	Lawrence Fick	aye
Jennifer Nixon	aye	Michelle Wimes	aye
Richard Phillips	aye	Walter Hicklin	aye
Edward Baker	aye		

**Funding of Recreation/Wellness Center**

Dr. Morrell reviewed the background information of this matter that was included in a briefing paper provided to the Board prior to the meeting (Attachment 2).

Mr. Phillips asked what the sentiment of the student body was. Mr. Arton shared that an open forum was held during Homecoming week. Ninety students participated in the forum, and of this number 89 supported a fee increase for the current Student Recreation and Wellness Center Construction fee and the establishment of a Student Recreation and Wellness Center Operations fee, and one person opposed it. During a the 2007 SGA fall retreat, the membership voted unanimously to support the above fees. In a second vote held the evening of October 23, SGA members voted once again, and the support was unanimous. Darrin Doherty, SGA President, added that a spotlight poll that was taken resulted in 39 students favoring the increase, and none opposed. He said that in other venues held, he and Ms. Rutt responded to negative feedback. The biggest issue seemed to be that the students didn't understand the fee structure. Once it was explained it to them that the operations fee would only begin after the construction phase, they were supportive.

Ms. Williams asked how the cost of constructing the facility would compare the construction of the Kirkpatrick Library. Dr. Roberts stated that this is a difficult question to answer due to a difference in the size of the facilities and the increased costs of construction since the Kirkpatrick Library was built. She noted that it is important to get the bid process initiated as quickly as possibly due to the continuing increase in construction costs.

Mr. Phillips expressed concern about parking. President Podolefsky reminded the Board that many of the students who will use the facility will already be on campus and would likely walk to the facility.

Ms. Wimes moved that the Board of Governors approve (1) an increase to the existing Student Recreation and Wellness Center Construction fee from the current \$3.46 to \$7.00 per credit hour to become effective with the Fall 2008 semester; and (2) a Student Recreation and Wellness Center Operations fee of \$2.75 per credit hour effective only when the facility opens, which is currently projected for Spring 2010. Ms. Nixon seconded the motion, which passed with the following roll call vote:

Deleta Williams	aye	Lawrence Fick	aye
Jennifer Nixon	aye	Michelle Wimes	aye
Richard Phillips	aye	Walter Hicklin	aye
Edward Baker	aye		

**Adjournment**

There being no further business to discuss, the meeting adjourned at 8:30 a.m.

*Attachment Listing*  
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<u><i>Attachment No.</i></u>	<u><i>Attachment Listing</i></u>
1	Briefing Paper – Special Awards and Recognitions
2	Briefing Paper – Funding of Recreation/Wellness Center