

University of Central Missouri
Board of Governors
Plenary Session
August 23, 2012

The University of Central Missouri (UCM) Board of Governors convened in Plenary Session on Thursday, August 23, 2012, at 8:30 a.m. in UN 237B on UCM's main campus in Warrensburg, Missouri. Presiding over the meeting was Board President Marvin E. Wright. Other Board members in attendance included Governors Gus Wetzel II, Mary Dandurand, Walter Hicklin, Mary Long, Weldon Brady, and Kyle Shell. Governor Edward Baker was unable to attend the meeting and was excused. Others in attendance included University President Charles Ambrose; General Counsel Henry Setser; and Assistant Secretary to the Board Monica Huffman.

Plenary Session

Call to Order – Agenda Item No. 1

Mr. Wright 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. Wright reviewed Board Committee changes for the 2012-2013 academic year. Of particular note is a proposed name change for the Student & Alumni Affairs Committee, which the Board will be asked to approve later in the meeting. The proposed name of *Student Engagement & University Advancement*, would align the committee with those changes made last year as part of UCM's Administrative Review.

Mr. Wright also announced Board committee appointments for the 2012-2013 academic year. They are:

Academic Affairs

Gus Wetzel II, Chair
Mary Long, Member

Finance and Administration

Weldon Brady, Chair
Edward Baker, Member

Student Engagement & University Advancement

Mary Dandurand, Chair
Walter Hicklin, Member
Kyle Shell, Member

Board Representative - Foundation Board

Marvin E. Wright

Mr. Wright stated that later in the meeting, the Board will be asked to approve meeting dates for the remainder of 2012 and for 2013 that changes the meeting days from a Wednesday-Thursday format to a Thursday-Friday one.

In closing, Mr. Wright reviewed activities related to the start-up of the new school year, noting that several Board members had the opportunity to participate in Freshmen Convocation. He ended by giving a special welcome on the Board's behalf to newly appointed Provost, Dr. Deborah Curtis.

Remarks by the University President – Agenda Item No. 3

President Ambrose opened his remarks by expressing appreciation to the Board for the leadership, time and energy it provides throughout the year on University business matters, but also for its participation in numerous activities and events. He expressed special appreciation for the Board's participation and attendance at the Freshmen Convocation, the State of the University Address, Board of Governors meetings, and the recent Athletic Auction. President Ambrose also expressed gratitude for the high level of engagement demonstrated by faculty and staff that helped to prepare and to welcome our students and their families during Sunday's *Mule Haul*.

President Ambrose introduced UCM's strategic positioning video – *Learning to a Greater Degree* that was recently produced by UCM's University Relations Office. (Printed materials related to the strategic positioning platform are included with the minutes as Attachment 1.) Following the video, which outlined “reasons to believe” -- *engaged learning, future-focused academics, culture of service, and worldly perspective* – President Ambrose expressed special thanks to Mr. Dennis Cryder, Ms. JoJo Reinbold, Mr. Robin Krause, and other University Relations staff for their creative energies in preparing and producing the video. Mr. Cryder recognized the talents of Mr. John Kennedy who led the production of the video and thanked the Board for adopting the strategic positioning platform last fall. He shared with the Board that the enthusiasm demonstrated by each of the students in the video is real, noting that not a single student had a script. President Ambrose said implementation of the strategic positioning platform will require tenacity and persistence.

President Ambrose closed his remarks by welcoming former student governor Ryan Sanders, who was visiting.

General Session

Approval of the Minutes – Agenda Item No. 4

Dr. Wetzel moved that the Board of Governors approve the minutes of the June 20, 2012, Work Session and the June 21, 2012 Plenary Session. The motion was seconded by Dr. Long and carried unanimously.

Reports**Written Governance Groups Reports** – Agenda Item No. 5

Mr. Wright noted that written governance groups reports were included under Tab 9 of the meeting materials (Attachment 2), and asked if any Board member had questions. There were none.

Intercollegiate Athletics Report – Agenda Item No. 6

Mr. Jerry Hughes and Mr. Shawn Jones presented a video, *2011-2012 UCM Athletics in Review* that highlighted all of the outstanding achievements of UCM's student athletes and teams, which were numerous. Of particular note was the selection of Lindsay Lettow and Shawn Boss for the MIAA Ken B. Jones Award given to the conference's top male and female student-athletes of the year. This makes UCM the second school in the 19-year history of the award to win both the men's and women's top student-athlete of the year in the same year. It was also noted, that Ms. Lettow is among the top 30 young women of 300 nominees who are now being considered for the NCAA Female Athlete of the Year.

Mr. Hughes informed the Board that the new scoreboards are being installed at Walton Stadium/Kennedy Field; Multipurpose Building and at the Crane Stadium/Tompkins Field. He noted that on Saturday, September 8, the Mules will play Northwest Missouri State University as UCM celebrates *Get the Red Out and Military Appreciation Day*. UCM will also partner with Northwest in a fundraising effort for the daughter of a Northwest alum who is battling cancer. The National *Make-A-Wish* Foundation Chair will be in attendance to make a special presentation.

Mr. Wright expressed the Board's pride in UCM student-athletes and stated that they are great representatives of the University and bring great credit to the school.

Missouri Innovation Campus – Agenda Item No. 7

President Ambrose provided an update on the Community Development Block Grant funding that is being granted to higher education institutions to implement similar-type programs as UCM's Missouri Innovation Campus initiative. Nine applications were received and nine grants were awarded. President Ambrose announced that in addition to the \$500,000 that was initially provided to UCM for the start-up cost of the Innovation Campus, an additional \$1 million was awarded. Mr. Stan Elliott, retired Assistant Superintendent for the R-7Lee's Summit School District, is now employed by UCM as the Missouri Innovation Campus Program Facilitator.

Board Committee on Student and Alumni Affairs

Ms. Dandurand, Chair of the Board Committee on Student and Alumni Affairs, reported that the Committee met the preceding afternoon. She shared information about a fitness and wellness assessment that is being conducted for freshmen at the Student Recreation and Wellness Center; *Welcome Week* successes; and the *Habitat for Humanity Blitz Build* noting that volunteers are welcome.

Ms. Dandurand asked Dr. Joy Stevenson to provide an international student enrollment update. Dr. Stevenson who stated that 44 countries are represented in UCM's international students. Currently, there are 533 international students enrolled, with approximately 200 more students anticipated in January if they receive their *visas* in time. Dr. Stevenson reported that the University just completed two days of intense meetings and relationship building with representatives from China. In closing, Dr. Stevenson stated that her next report would highlight recruitment activity and statistics on study abroad. She noted the importance of getting more U.S. students to study abroad.

Update on University Advancement Division – Agenda Item No. 8

Dr. Jason Drummond gave a presentation related to FY 2012 University Development activities that included the Division's strategic initiatives and related data (Attachment 3). He added that the Office of Alumni Relations is in the process of creating a strategic plan that will focus on engaging 85,000 alums into the life of the University.

Board Committee on Academic Affairs

Dr. Wetzel, Chair of the Board Committee on Academic Affairs, reported that the Committee met the preceding afternoon. He asked Dr. Curtis to report on the following agenda item.

Emeritus Status for Retiring Faculty and Staff – Agenda Item No. 9

Dr. Curtis referred the Board to Tab 10 of the meeting materials, which contained background information related to this item (Attachment 4). *Dr. Wetzel moved that the Board of Governors award emeritus status to Phil Shreves, Director of Student Financial Assistance; Donna Baker, Assistant Professor of Nursing; and John Haydu, Professor of Art. The motion was seconded by Dr. Long and carried unanimously.*

Enrollment Update

Dr. Wetzel asked Dr. Sluder to provide an update to the Board on enrollment. Dr. Sluder presented information contained in Attachment 5 of the minutes. He said that it is important to note that once school begins there is a tremendous effort by many people to ensure our students' needs are met. Dr. Sluder added that it is also important to note that as families move their students in, the sacrifices that they make to ensure their students go to college are evident and great.

In closing, Dr. Sluder stated that September 18 is the official census date and that he would have more concrete data to present at that time. Dr. Curtis commended the good work of Dr. Sluder, as well as that of the Vice Provost and Deans.

Following the Board Committee on Academic Affairs' report, the Board took a 10-minute recess and resumed meeting at 10:10 a.m.

Board Committee on Finance and Administration

Mr. Brady, Chair of the Board Committee on Finance and Administration, reported that the Committee met the preceding afternoon to discuss and review the following agenda items. He asked Mr. Merrigan to present the items. Before presenting the agenda items, Mr. Merrigan congratulated the University on its enrollment figures, noting preliminarily from a budgetary perspective, UCM is meeting its targets. He thanked Mr. Chris Wellman and all of the Facilities, Planning and Operations staff for all of their hard work in getting the campus ready for our students' return. He also thanked Human Resources and Finance staff for their work throughout the summer to prepare and enter budget information for the new fiscal year.

Aviation Fuel Contract – Agenda Item No. 10

Mr. Merrigan presented information contained in a briefing paper under Tab 11 of the meeting materials (Attachment 6). *Mr. Brady moved that the Board of Governors authorize the award of a three-year contract for aviation fuel with Avfuel Corporation, with an option to renew for two additional one-year periods. The motion was seconded by Mr. Hicklin and carried unanimously.*

Pertle Springs Golf Course Grounds Equipment Lease – Agenda Item No. 11

Mr. Merrigan presented information contained in a briefing paper under Tab 12 of the meeting materials (Attachment 7). *Mr. Brady moved that the Board of Governors approve the award of a four-year lease agreement of Toro golf course grounds equipment with PNC Equipment Finance for an annual payment of \$60,654 and a total four-year expense of \$242,616. The motion was seconded by Ms. Dandurand and carried unanimously.*

Elliott Union Building Automation System Upgrade – Agenda Item No. 12

Mr. Merrigan presented information contained in a briefing paper under Tab 13 of the meeting materials (Attachment 8). *Mr. Brady moved that the Board of Governors approve a contract to Johnson Controls for \$272,470 for the Elliott Union building automation system upgrade. The motion was seconded by Mr. Hicklin. The motion passed with a majority vote. Dr. Long abstained from voting due to a family member's employment with Johnson Controls.*

Annual Banner Services – Agenda Item No. 13

Dr. Jim Graham presented information contained in a briefing paper under Tab 14 of the meeting materials (Attachment 9). Mr. Brady asked if these services are necessary. Dr. Graham said yes; if Banner maintenance and support fees were to be discontinued, the University would be at risk for noncompliance with federal and state regulations. *Mr. Brady moved that the Board of Governors approve the purchase of the annual software maintenance and support contract renewal for Banner applications at a cost of \$442,225 for the period of July 1, 2012, through June 30, 2013. The motion was seconded by Dr. Long and carried unanimously.*

Annual Blackboard Services – Agenda Item No. 14

Dr. Jim Graham presented information contained in a briefing paper under Tab 15 of the meeting materials (Attachment 10). Dr. Wetzel asked if these services would be rebid at the end of the three-year contract that was updated and signed in 2011. Dr. Graham answered that at the end of the three-year contract he would negotiate a reduction in rates with Blackboard. *Mr. Brady moved that the Board of Governors approve the purchase of the annual renewal of software, support, maintenance, and hosted services for the Blackboard suite of products from Blackboard at a cost of \$301,916.81 for the period of July 1, 2012, through June 30, 2013. The motion was seconded by Dr. Wetzel and carried unanimously.*

Professional Services for Mixed-Use Projects – Agenda Item No. 15

Mr. Merrigan and Mr. Chris Wellman provided a brief overview of the information contained in a briefing paper under Tab 16 of the meeting materials (Attachment 11). Mr. Brady noted that this project was discussed at length during the Board's Work Session the previous afternoon, as were the reasons for recommending that that University issue a contract to Gould Evans to serve as the Bridging Designer and Owner's Representative for the project. The discussion provided the Board with a better understanding to this approach and explained why it would be in the University's best interest to utilize this approach over others. Mr. Brady stated he has great confidence in the group and that the success of the project will rely on the continued involvement of UCM staff to get the best results for the best costs. *Mr. Brady moved that the Board of Governors approve the issuance of a contract to Gould Evans for \$489,161, plus \$25,000 for reimbursable expenses, to provide bridging designer support and owner's representative function on the Mixed-Use, General Services Building Relocation and Stadium Build-Out projects. The motion was seconded by Dr. Wetzel and carried unanimously.*

Board Business

BOG Policy 1.1.010 – Board of Governors By-Laws – Agenda Item No. 16

Mr. Wright stated that during the Board's Work Session the preceding afternoon, discussion was held related to proposed revisions to the Board Bylaws (Attachment 12). Proposed revisions include a name change for the Student and Alumni Affairs Committee to *Student Engagement and University Advancement Committee*, to align with organizational changes that were made as part of the 2011 Administrative Review; and a change to all references of the President's Cabinet to reflect the advisory group's new title of "Strategic Leadership Team."

Ms. Dandurand moved that the Board of Governors approve the proposed revisions to BOG Policy 1.1.010 – Board of Governors By-Laws – and consequent revisions to other policies and procedures, as required to (1) rename the Committee on Student and Alumni Affairs the Committee on Student Engagement and Advancement; and (2) change any reference to the President's Cabinet to the Strategic Leadership Team. The motion was seconded by Dr. Wetzel and carried unanimously.

2012 and 2013 Meeting Schedules – Agenda Item No. 17

Mr. Wright said this item was also discussed in the Board's Work Session the preceding afternoon. It was proposed that meeting dates for the remainder of 2012 and for 2013 follow a Thursday-Friday format (Attachment 13). It was also suggested that in those months where a meeting agenda may be shorter, that the Board President and University President have the discretion to condense the agenda into a single day's meeting. *Dr. Long moved that the Board of Governors approve the meeting schedule for the remainder of 2012 and for 2013 according to the dates listed in the "revised" briefing paper, leaving it to the Board President's and University President's discretion to shorten meeting dates into a single day when they feel it is appropriate to do so. The motion was seconded by Mr. Hicklin and carried unanimously.*

Adjournment – Agenda Item No. 18

There being no further business to conduct, *Mr. Hicklin moved that the meeting adjourn. The motion was seconded by Ms. Dandurand and carried unanimously.* The meeting concluded at 10:30 a.m.

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Attachments Listing

<u>Attachment No.</u>	<u>Attachment Description</u>
1	<i>Strategic Positioning Platform</i>
2	<i>Governance Groups Reports</i>
3	<i>PPT – FY 2012 University Development Report</i>
4	<i>Briefing Paper – Emeritus Status for Retiring Faculty and Staff</i>
5	<i>PPT – Enrollment Update</i>
6	<i>Briefing Paper – Aviation Fuel Contract</i>
7	<i>Briefing Paper – Pertle Springs Golf Course Grounds Equipment Lease</i>
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11	<i>Briefing Paper – Professional Services for Mixed-Use Projects</i>
12	<i>Briefing Paper – Proposed Revisions – BOG Policy 1.1.010 – Board of Governors By-Laws</i>
13	<i>Briefing Paper – 2012-2013 Board Meeting Schedule</i>