

University of Central Missouri
Board of Governors
Teleconference (Open)
May 15, 2013

The University of Central Missouri (UCM) Board of Governors convened a special Plenary Session via teleconference at 10:00 a.m. on Wednesday, May 15, 2013. The call originated from ADM 204 on UCM's main campus in Warrensburg, Missouri. Participating by phone was Board President Marvin E. Wright and Governors Mary Dandurand, Mary Long, Walter Hicklin, Weldon Brady, John Collier, and Kyle Shell. Governor Gus Wetzel was unable to participate in today's meeting and was excused. Also participating by phone was General Counsel Henry Setser. Participating in the meeting from ADM 204 was University President Charles Ambrose, Assistant Secretary to the Board Monica Huffman, Provost Deborah Curtis, Vice President for Finance John Merrigan, Vice President for Development Jason Drummond, Dorothy Salsman, and Jeff Murphy.

Call to Order – Agenda Item No. 1

Mr. Wright called the meeting to order and asked for a roll call. Following the roll call, Mr. Wright determined that a quorum was present to conduct business.

FY 2014 Budget – Agenda Item No. 2

President Ambrose thanked the Board for taking time from their busy schedules to meet today. At its April meeting, the Board of Governors approved two budget scenarios based on a 2.25% and 3.34% increase. Tied to each scenario was a proposed salary increase of \$800 for employees making less than \$50,000 per year (2.25%) and a 1% across-the-board increase for all employees (3.34%). These scenarios were prepared based on the work of the House and Senate at that time. However, as state budget proposals proceeded through the legislative session, a third proposal emerged as a result of a Conference Committee that was formed to come to a consensus on higher education funding for FY 2014. On May 10, 2013, the Missouri General Assembly submitted a unified recommendation to the Governor. The truly agreed to and finally passed version of HB 3 included an increase of \$25 million over the FY 2013 budget, with allocation among higher education institutions conditional upon improved performance outcomes. UCM achieved 80% of its performance criteria, which would equate to \$1,294,000. This now awaits the Governors final approval, which must be done within 15 days to become

effective July 1, 2013.

Based on the final submittal, UCM prepared a third scenario that was included in a briefing paper distributed to the Board for the meeting (Attachment). The proposed based budget projects total revenues of \$10,132,000 and is contingent upon a state general fund appropriation of \$52,323,000, which reflects the \$1,294,000 increase from FY 2013. The proposed budget also includes a \$600 salary increase for all employees making less than \$100,000.

Mr. Merrigan noted that within the Academic Affairs Division, approximately \$1 million in “one-time” savings, primarily lectureship funds, has been realized in FY 2013. These current-year budget savings will be applied to FY 2014 to help bridge the FY 2014 budget while UCM works to identify additional base budget savings in FY 2014.

Mr. Wright noted some concern with the University’s policy pertaining to increasing faculty pay for promotion/tenure. President Ambrose said it’s important in retaining quality faculty to try to keep pace in this area; however Provost Curtis is working to review promotion/tenure proposals to ensure faculty are meeting the requirements for this.

Ms. Dandurand moved that the Board of Governors approve the proposed FY 2014 budget, including a salary increase of \$600 for employees earning less than \$100,000. The motion was seconded by Mr. Collier and carried with the following roll call vote:

<i>Walter Hicklin</i>	<i>aye</i>	<i>Mary Dandurand</i>	<i>aye</i>
<i>John Collier</i>	<i>aye</i>	<i>Mary Long</i>	<i>aye</i>
<i>Gus Wetzel II</i>	<i>aye</i>	<i>Marvin E. Wright</i>	<i>aye</i>

President Ambrose commended Mr. Merrigan and his staff for all of their hard work.

Adjournment

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

<i>Walter Hicklin</i>	<i>aye</i>	<i>Mary Dandurand</i>	<i>aye</i>
<i>John Collier</i>	<i>aye</i>	<i>Mary Long</i>	<i>aye</i>
<i>Weldon Brady</i>	<i>aye</i>	<i>Marvin E. Wright</i>	<i>aye</i>

The meeting concluded at 10:15 a.m.