

University of Central Missouri
Board of Governors
Finance and Administration
Committee of the Whole
April 25, 2019

The University of Central Missouri (UCM) Finance and Administration Committee met as a Committee of the Whole on Thursday, April 25, 2019, at 1:00 p.m. in Union 237A on UCM's main campus. Presiding over the meeting was Committee Chair Marvin E. Wright. Other Board members present included Governors John Collier, Gus Wetzel II, Mary Dandurand, Mary Long, Walter Hicklin, Stephen Abney, and Student Governor Casey Short. Also in attendance were University President Roger Best, General Counsel Lindsay Chapman, Assistant Secretary to the Board Monica Huffman, Vice President for Finance and Administration Bill Hawley, Vice Provost for Student Experience and Engagement Shari Bax, Vice Provost for Academic Programs and Services Doug Koch and Executive Director for Administrative Services Susan Brockhaus.

Call to Order

Board President Collier called the meeting to order and determined a quorum was present to conduct business. He then turned the meeting over to Committee Chair Marvin E. Wright.

AY 2019-2020 Room and Board Rates – Agenda Item No. 1

Mr. Hawley reviewed information included under Tab 18 of the meeting materials regarding the proposed room and board rates for Academic Year (AY) 2019-2020. The proposal included a 2% increase to residence hall room rates with apartment rental rates held flat. Mr. Hawley distributed a document comparing room and board rates of 13 Missouri public universities for AYs 2017-2018, 2018-2019, and 2019-2020. Of the 13 universities UCM ranked 9th. The school ranking first and most expensive was University of Missouri-Kansas City.

With regard to meal plan rates, Mr. Hawley explained the proposed meal rate is based on the new dining services contract effective July 1, 2019. Students will have the opportunity to select from three different plans - silver, gold, and platinum. Mr. Hawley explained all plans offer unlimited dining with the difference being the number of guest passes and amount of dining dollars included in each plan. The basic silver plan (\$1,675/semester) is a 2.63% increase to last year's plan. The gold (\$1,775/semester) and platinum (\$1,975/semester) plans cost more. Ms. Dandurand asked if guest passes have always been included with the meal plan. Dr. Bax responded this is the first time guest passes have been included and students must be present with their guest(s) for them to be used.

The Committee of the Whole was in full agreement to present this item for Board approval at tomorrow's Plenary Session.

FY 2020 Operating Budget – Agenda Item No. 2

Mr. Hawley referred the Board to Tab 19 of the meeting materials which included a briefing paper detailing the proposed Fiscal Year 2020 Operating Budget. He explained the total unrestricted revenue projection of \$145,798,000 is based on Enrollment Management's student credit hour forecast, FY 2020 rates for tuition and fees, and an assumption that core appropriations will remain at the fiscal year level of \$54,338,357.

Mr. Hawley stated the proposed budget includes \$1 million for deferred maintenance, and \$674,500 for the MO Excels Workforce initiative. Other assumptions include an investment income increase of approximately \$400,000; and institutional priorities such as \$1.2 million for faculty approved for promotion or whose current salary falls below the FY 2020 respective minimum in the Faculty Salary Model ; \$800,000 for MOSERS contribution rate change; \$362,550 for recruitment, scholarships, and waivers; and \$150,000 for software maintenance. President Best added an additional \$1.2 million is included in the proposed budget for changes in compensation for employees, most of whom have gone without a raise in recent years. President Best would like to use some monies from the projected increased revenue for additional compensation for employees.

Mr. Hawley noted the anticipated change from last year's budget to the FY 2020 budget is \$4.27 million. If the anticipated revenues change, expenditures will be adjusted accordingly. The final budget will be presented in June.

Mr. Abney asked if the \$800,000 for MOSERS is an adjustment in the rate or in the contribution. Ms. Brockhaus responded that the MOSERS contribution rate as a percentage of payroll will increase from 20.21% to 21.77% effective July 1, 2019, a 7.7% adjustment in contribution, and that another increase is anticipated in 2021. Mr. Wright asked if the MOSERS contribution is anticipated to decrease at some point. President Best responded it is expected to peak at 23% or 24%, but unfortunately UCM has no control over it. Ms. Brockhaus said UCM has been able to make all of its contributions.

Mr. Abney also asked if UCM receives \$1 million for deferred maintenance under the proposed House Bill, would the money be placed into UCM's core budget, or would it be kept separate and accrue for deferred maintenance. He also asked if there are presently any accrued funds for deferred maintenance. Mr. Hawley said the money will be used for deferred maintenance and there are no accrued funds for deferred maintenance. President Best noted the University has three roofs in need of repair or replacement.

The Committee of the Whole was in full agreement to present this item for Board approval at tomorrow's Plenary Session.

Proposed Revisions to University Mission Statement – Agenda Item No. 3

Dr. Koch stated the Strategic Planning Committee has spent considerable time reviewing feedback and input from meetings and surveys, as well as considerable time developing a single sentence statement that reflects what UCM does and what it stands for. The proposed mission statement, “The University of Central Missouri (UCM) disseminates knowledge that transforms students into leaders who possess the aptitudes, skills, and confidence to succeed,” captures the essence of what we do. Progress continues with the development of a Strategic Plan and the committee hopes to have a draft prepared by mid- to late- May.

The Committee of the Whole was in full agreement to present this item for Board approval at tomorrow’s Plenary Session.

Other – Agenda Item No. 4

There was no other business to discuss.

Request for Closed Session – April 25, 2019 – Agenda Item No. 5

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, contractual matters, personnel matters and other matters included under Section 610.021 of the Missouri Revised Statutes. The motion was seconded by Ms. Dandurand and carried with the following roll call vote:

Marvin E. Wright	aye	Gus Wetzel II	aye
Mary Dandurand	aye	Stephen Abney	aye
Walter Hicklin	aye	John Collier	aye
Mary Long	aye		

The meeting ended at 1:20 p.m.