

**Administration, Governance and Trusteeship Committee
Western Carolina University Board of Trustees**

Minutes

The Administration, Governance and Trusteeship Committee of Western Carolina University met on June 1, 2017 at 4:00 p.m. in HFR 510. Chair Kaemmerling presided and called the meeting to order at 4:08 p.m.

ATTENDANCE

The following members of the Committee were present: Ms. Grace Battle, Ms. Pat Kaemmerling, Mr. Bryant Kinney, Mr. Wardell Townsend, and Ms. Katherine Spalding, SGA President (ex officio).

Others Present: Chancellor David O. Belcher; Mr. Ed Broadwell, Chair, Board of Trustees; Mr. John Lupoli, Board of Trustees; Mr. Tim Haskett, Board of Trustees; Mr. Bob Roberts, Board of Trustees; Ms. Rebecca Schlosser, Board of Trustees; Dr. Melissa Wargo, Chief of Staff; Dr. Alison Morrison-Shetlar, Provost; Ms. Lori Lewis, Vice Chancellor of Development and Alumni Affairs; Mr. Mike Byers, Vice Chancellor, Administration and Finance; Mr. Craig Fowler, Chief Information Officer; Dr. Sam Miller, Vice Chancellor, Student Affairs; Mr. Bill Studenc, Director of Communications and Public Relations; Ms. Meredith Whitfield, Director of External Relations; Mr. Kevin Koett, Associate Vice Chancellor, Student Affairs; Mr. Shea Browning, General Counsel; Ms. Robin Oliver, University Marketing Director; Mr. Larry Arbaugh, Associate Athletics Director; Ms. Theresa Cruz Paul, Director of Career Services and Career Counselor; Ms. Melisa McNeill, Assistant Professor, School of Health Sciences; Ms. Claire Collins, Assistant to the Chancellor; and Ms. Jessica Woods, Executive Assistant to Chief of Staff, to record minutes.

ACTION ITEMS

Approval of Minutes

Chair Kaemmerling called for comments on and a motion to approve the February 23, 2017 minutes. Mr. Townsend made a motion to approve the minutes as submitted and Ms. Battle seconded. The motion passed with no opposition.

Approval of the WCU Board of Trustees Bylaws Amendment

Mr. Shea Browning presented the proposed Amendments to the Bylaws of the WCU Board of Trustees including clean up of language related to board approval of senior campus leaders and changes of board appointments to reflect shift from the governor to the General Assembly. Chair Kaemmerling called for comments on and a motion to approve the proposed Amendment to the Board of Trustees Bylaw. Mr. Kinney made a motion to approve the proposed Amendment to the Board of Trustees Bylaws as submitted and Mr. Townsend seconded. The motion passed with no opposition.

Approval of the Re-election of Currently Serving Foundation Board of Directors

Ms. Lewis submitted a recommendation to the committee for the re-election of currently serving members of the Foundation Board of Directors. Those nominees and their respective classes are: Wes Elingburg (2020), Susan Jenkins (2020), and Bob Thomas (2020). Mr. Townsend made a motion to approve the recommendation as submitted and Ms. Battle seconded. The motion passed with no opposition.

Approval of Recommended WCU Foundation Board Slate of Directors

Ms. Lewis submitted a recommendation to the committee for the election of the new members, Bruce Clayton (class of 2020), Steve Couch (class of 2020), Beth Lofquist (class of 2020), Cambria Reinsborough (class of 2020), and Debbie Wright (class of 2020) to the Foundation Board of Directors and the committee accepted the nominations. Mr. Townsend made a motion to approve the recommendations as submitted and Ms. Battle seconded. The motion passed with no opposition.

Approval of the Re-election of Currently Serving WCU Board of Visitors

Ms. Lewis submitted a recommendation to the committee for the re-election of currently serving members of the Board of Visitors. Those nominees and their respective classes are: Ski Chilton (Class of 2020), Bruce Moore (Class of 2020), Jo Ray (Class of 2020), Brandon Robinson (Class of 2020), and David Wiggins (Class of 2020). Mr. Kinney made a motion to approve the recommendation as submitted and Mr. Townsend seconded. The motion passed with no opposition.

Approval of Recommended WCU Board of Visitors

Ms. Lewis submitted a recommendation to the committee for the election of the new members, Jace Stowe (class of 2020), Kim Hughes (class of 2020), Jay Magness (class of 2020), Mark A. Benge (class of 2020), and Thomas Randall Duckett (class of 2020) to the WCU Board of Visitors and the committee accepted the nominations. Ms. Battle made a motion to approve the recommendations as submitted and Mr. Townsend seconded. The motion passed with no opposition.

DISCUSSION ITEMS

Student Government Association

SGA President, Katherine Spalding, delivered the report from Student Government Association. Ms. Spalding shared updates for the SGA: supplemental funding for the 2016-2017 academic year; expansion of the Judicial Branch this coming year to deal with the student code of conduct; SGA week success; and Inauguration success. Ms. Spalding noted that WCU plans to host ASG this year and the date is to be announced. They are requesting that BOG member Mr. Phil Byers be the speaker at this event. She also shared information on student appreciation week and the library food give away (food for thought) held on April 30th. The SGA goals for the upcoming year include: continue project and advocating for Financial Literacy; Whee Look Beyond (Diversity initiative); increase sports attendance and all around school spirit; create more legislation within senate; work more closely with Staff and Faculty Senate; create central location for lost and found; Academic Integrity (Students and Faculty); advocate for fresher and healthier foods; give out more promo items relating to students majors so that they can better

utilize items; improve relations with ASG and other 17 campuses (maybe work more closely with App state and UNCA; and lastly and as always, increase SGA/ASG awareness.

Comprehensive Fundraising Campaign Update

Ms. Lewis provided a report on the Comprehensive Campaign. The updates are as of May 16th and represent progress toward the \$50M goal and fiscal year 2017 division goals. Ms. Lewis also shared Division staff updates, including information on currently open searches, and a review of Division priorities, including the name change to Advancement which becomes effective July 1. The total campaign commitment as of May 16th is \$30,557,355 which is 61.1% attainment of the \$50 million campaign goal.

Legislative Update

Ms. Meredith Whitfield, Director of External Relations, provided a Legislative Update to the committee. Ms. Whitfield shared key components from the Senate and House budgets including information on the full funding of enrollment growth, faculty/staff salary increases, funding for NC Promise, and funding for first phase of a steam plant renovation. She reported that the next step is conferencing of the budget with leaders from the Senate and House. Currently, it looks very promising that full enrollment growth funding and funding for NC Promise will make it through conference. Final salary increases, funding for the steam plant, and the total amount of repair and renovation funding will be points of negotiation.

Board of Trustee Meeting Schedule

Ms. Claire Collins shared the Board of Trustee Meeting Schedule for 2017-18 with the committee. Ms. Collins will add the Board of Governors meetings and redistribute the schedule.

ADJOURNMENT

Chair Kaemmerling asked for a motion to adjourn the committee meeting at 4:54 p.m. Ms. Battle made a motion to adjourn the committee meeting and Mr. Townsend seconded. The motion passed with no opposition.