

WASHBURN UNIVERSITY OF TOPEKA
BOARD OF REGENTS
MINUTES
February 1, 2012

I. Call to Order

Chairperson Klausman called the meeting to order at 4:04 p.m. in the Forum Room of the Bradbury Thompson Alumni Center on the Washburn University campus.

II. Roll Call

Present were: Mr. Bunten, Mr. Klausman, Mr. Lykins, Mr. Moses, Ms. O'Toole, Mrs. Parks, and Ms. Sourk.

III. Approval of Minutes of the December 9, 2011 meeting.

It was moved and seconded to approve the Minutes of the December 9, 2011 meeting. Motion passed.

IV. Officer Reports

A. Chair's Report

Chairman Klausman made a request to Board members for a change in meeting dates in May and July. The meeting set for May 2, 2012 was changed to May 1, 2012 and the meeting set for July 19, 2012 was changed to July 18, 2012.

B. President's Report

Dr. Farley reported students at Washburn Institute of Technology competed in the Kansas SkillsUSA design competition in December, winning in the State pin and State T-Shirt design.

President Farley reported Washburn Seniors Blake Bryant, Independence, and Shawn Bryant, Topeka, along with Richard Liedtke, Executive Director of Enrollment Management, and Regent Jennifer Sourk were accepted to the 2012 Leadership Greater Topeka program.

Dr. Farley said twelve Washburn students participated in Habitat for Humanity as a part of their winter break, noting this was part of the alternative break program which allows students to volunteer in certain projects, whether environmentally related or assistance to the less fortunate. He noted Dr. Randy Pembroke, Vice President for Academic Affairs joined on group over winter break building a house in Costa Rica for Habitat for Humanity.

In addition, President Farley reported the Kansas Contractors Association donated to the Washburn Institute of Technology Commercial and Heavy Construction program. He noted this will subsidize fuel costs for the program.

Dr. Farley said the economic outlook for 2012 was the topic discussed at a seminar in which Washburn University School of Business Professor Rob Weigand spoke and analyzed the Conference Board's economic indicators and other statistics relating to the best and worst performing stock sectors from 2011.

President Farley said 150 high school students were on campus for Senior day Friday, January 27, which was the last of four Senior days this academic year. He said the applications for admissions for the fall semester are up due, in part, to an online program and an effective recruiting staff.

Dr. Farley reported the capital project involving the upgrade in the HVAC system for the Mulvane Art Museum is complete and the Museum is now back in business and will be putting on more shows. He also made note that from the Crane Observatory an asteroid relatively near to Earth can be easily observed.

President Farley announced the Governor's budget was submitted to the Legislature which did not include proposed reductions for Higher Education. He said there was an overall 1.4% cost of living increase proposed by the Kansas Board of Regents that was not worked into the Governor's budget, but there were no cuts. He said there were other proposals in the budget including a line item for the Forensic Biology and Forensic Chemistry building. Also, Dr. Farley added, there was a presentation for the proposed Doctorate of Nursing Practice (DNP) program and proposed House Bill 2490 passed by a 120 to 0 vote out of the House and will be forwarded to the Senate next week. Dr. Farley expressed hope that the proposed bill moves along smoothly through the Senate and on to the Governor after which point the degree proposal will go to the Kansas Board of Regents for two readings, - then the State Board of Nursing for review and approval. Dr. Farley said after the program has been approved by the State Board of Nursing, Washburn will need to secure approval from the Higher Learning Commission. He noted it must all fit together with financial aid requirements in order to recruit the first class of students for the Fall 2012 semester.

President Farley noted there are two items on the consent agenda relating to an update in policies, one being sexual harassment to include a reporting requirement. He reported on several initiatives by Carol Vogel, Title IX Coordinator, to address the Title IX Dear Colleague Letter from the Department of Education, including training sessions, development of an informational pamphlet, revisions to sexual harassment regulations, the hosting of a webinar on the topic of Minors on Campus which was well attended, and guidance on the overlapping of certain regulatory requirements including those implemented pursuant to the Clery Act.

Dr. Farley then introduced JuliAnn Mazachek, President and CEO of the Washburn University Foundation. Dr. Mazachek announced the NACUBO study results regarding Foundations. She stated that in the study they report returns and investments, stating the 25.3% return on investment for the Foundation for fiscal year 2011 put Washburn

University Foundation in the top 5% of foundations across the nation. She reported an endowment of over \$25,000 per full time equivalent student, which placed the Foundation thirty-fifth in the country of all public institutions of higher education in endowment support for students, second only to the University of Kansas for public institutions in the state. Dr. Mazachek also reported the Association of Governing Boards released a book in which the Washburn University Foundation was used as a case study modeling the relationship AGB believes is a strong template for relationships between governing boards of an institution and its related foundation. President Farley stated that of public institutions of comparable size, Washburn University Foundation is first among such foundations.

C. Committee Report(s)

There were no committee reports.

D. Treasurer's Report

1. Liquidated Claims approval - December 2011

It was moved and seconded to approve the Treasurer's Report. Motion passed.

V. New Business

A. Consent Agenda

It was moved to approve the Consent Agenda. Regent Moses asked about the reason for the proposed revision to the Sexual Harassment policy. Regent Moses expressed concern over the language requiring certain employees to take steps to prevent the continuation of sexual harassment since the addition to the definition of sexual harassment includes sexual violence. Regent Moses expressed concern that the language was too broad and may be read to include a requirement to physically step in to break up a sexual assault as it is occurring. Regent Lykins announced that the Kansas Regents institutions were required to review and revise their policies on reporting of sexual violence since the incident at Pennsylvania State.

Regent Sneed arrived at 4:25 p.m.

Since there were concerns over the revision, Chairperson Klausman asked the policy revision be removed from the consent agenda and that a subcommittee comprised of Regent Moses, Regent O'Toole, President Farley, Carol Vogel, Title IX Coordinator, and Lisa Jones, University Counsel work on suggested language to bring before the Board at a later date. Motion passed.

President Farley gave recognition to the Honorary Degree Candidates. He recommended Brigadier General Deborah S. Rose, a graduate of the Washburn University Nursing program, and Judge Christel E. Marquardt who graduated from our law school, for the honorary awards.

Chairperson Klausman moved for approval of the remaining items in the consent agenda. Motion was seconded and approved. As approved by the Board:

1. Washburn University Policies, Regulations and Procedures Manual: 1) Social Media

the policy on Social Media of the Washburn University Policies, Regulations and Procedures Manual, and,

2. Honorary Degree Candidates

award of Honorary Doctor of Law Degree to The Honorable Christel E. Marquardt and Honorary Doctor of Public Service Degree to Brigadier General Deborah S. Rose.

B. Action Items

1. Proposed New Degree - Doctorate of Nursing Practice

Vice President for Academic Affairs, Randy Pembroke, provided a brief overview of the Doctorate of Nursing Practice program and introduced Dr. Monica Scheibmeir, Dean of the School of Nursing, who presented the proposal.

Regent Moses asked how many years it would take for the program to be self-sufficient, to which Dean Scheibmeir responded that in year 4 (2015) there should be enough students (125) for the program to be self-sufficient. Regent Sourk asked if the phase out of the Master's program in nursing would lead to the growth of the DNP program to which Dean Scheibmeir clarified not all Master's in nursing programs would be phased out.

There was a motion to approve the Doctorate of Nursing Practice. Motion was seconded and passed.

2. Bachelor of Science in Nursing Curriculum Revision

Regent Bunten left at 5:04 p.m.

Vice President for Academic Affairs, Randy Pembroke, presented the item and asked for questions. There were no questions. A motion was made and seconded to approve the item. Motion passed.

3. Proposed New Degree - Master of Health Sciences in Health Care Education

Vice President for Academic Affairs, Randy Pembroke, introduced Dr. William Dunlap, Dean of the School of Applied Studies to present the item. Dean Dunlap introduced Ms. Pat Munzer to introduce this item. Ms. Munzer presented the reason for

the need in this item. There were no questions. Motion was made and seconded to approve the proposed new degree. Motion passed.

4. Proposed New Degree - Master of Arts, Human Services

Vice President for Academic Affairs, Randy Pembroke, requested this be approved and introduced Dr. William Dunlap, Dean of the School of Applied Studies, who introduced Dr. Deborah Altus, Professor in the Human Services Department, to give an overview of the proposed new degree. Dr. Altus said the degree proposed is a 36-hour non-thesis level master's degree, and that only one other at this level in Kansas being offered and that is Emporia. Regent Moses asked whether Washburn supports the drug courts to which Dr. Altus responded in the affirmative. It was moved and seconded to approve of the proposed new degree. Motion passed.

5. Proposal for Awarding Additional Master's Degrees in Education

Vice President for Academic Affairs, Randy Pembroke, introduced this item and said the proposal reflects what the Higher Learning Commission already recognizes, which are four separate Masters of Education degrees. He explained it will allow a specialized recognition on the transcript to the outside world. A motion was made and seconded to approve the proposal. Motion passed.

6. Washburn Tech TRAC-7 Lease Agreement

President Farley asked Vice President for Administration and Treasurer, Rick Anderson, to present the item. Vice President Anderson asked for approval to negotiate a lease for facilities to accommodate the expansion of Washburn Institute of Technology's Advanced Systems Technology program. He described the warehouse area at Forbes Field which is the proposed site of the expanded program. He also said the lease rate currently being negotiated is below market price, but if Washburn Institute of Technology leases the property beyond the grant period the price will be higher and he would determine whether it would be financially feasible to continue the expanded program in that space. A motion was made and seconded to approve negotiation of the lease agreement. Motion passed.

The meeting was adjourned at 5:14 p.m.

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Lisa R. Jones
Secretary, Board of Regents