

University of Central Missouri
Board of Governors
Plenary Session
October 26, 2018

The University of Central Missouri (UCM) Board of Governors convened in Plenary Session on Friday, October 26, 2018, at 8:30 a.m. in Union 237B on UCM's main campus in Warrensburg, Missouri. Presiding over the meeting was Board President John Collier. Other Board members present included Governors Marvin E. Wright, Mary Dandurand, Mary Long, Stephen Abney, Walter Hicklin and Casey Short. Governor Gus Wetzel was unable to attend the meeting and was excused. Also in attendance were Interim President Roger Best, General Counsel Lindsay Chapman, and Assistant Secretary to the Board Monica Huffman.

Call to Order – Agenda Item No. 1

Mr. Collier called the meeting to order and determined a quorum was present to conduct business.

Remarks by the Board President – Agenda Item No. 2

Mr. Collier noted the excitement on campus that comes with the changing colors of fall and Homecoming. Mr. Collier also shared that Dr. Mary Long would be recognized during Kansas City's Inaugural *70 Over 70* Awards event on October 30. Dr. Long is one of 70 individuals from a variety of backgrounds in Kansas City who will be recognized for the work she does to improve the community and for inspiring others. The Board congratulated Dr. Long. Mr. Collier asked Patrick Bradley share the significance of October 26. Mr. Bradley reported that October 26 of each year is National *Mules Day*. Mr. Bradley also introduced a second-year graduate student from the Governance and Finance class who was present to observe the Board meeting.

Remarks by the University President – Agenda Item No. 3

Dr. Best expressed appreciation to the Board for their participation in Homecoming activities. He reviewed several events that fall in conjunction with Homecoming including the 50-year class reunion, Distinguished Alumni reception and dinner, and a parade on Saturday followed by the Mules Football game. Dr. Best also shared the Jennies Soccer team would play that evening and the next day as well.

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Consent Agenda – Agenda Item No. 4

Mr. Collier listed the following action items on the consent agenda, for which *Dr. Long moved that the Board approve. The motion was seconded by Mr. Wright and carried unanimously.*

- Minutes of August 23, 2018, Plenary Session and September 21, 2018, Special Plenary Session;
- Emeritus status for Debra Gerhart, Technical Training Coordinator, and Dr. Elaine Jones, Associate Professor of Finance (Attachment 1);
- A new Bachelor of Science degree program in Environmental, Safety, and Risk Management pending approval of Missouri's Coordinating Board for Higher Education (CBHE) (Attachment 2);
- Renewal of the charter agreement between Academie Lafayette and UCM for a term of 10 years, from July 1, 2019, through June 30, 2029 (Attachment 3);
- Renewal of the charter agreement between UCM and KC International Academy for a term of five years, from July 1, 2019, through June 30, 2024 (Attachment 4);
- Recommended changes to BOG Policy 4.1.020 – Investment Policy (Attachment 5); and
- On-call Construction Service agreements for construction services with Nouveau Construction and Technology Services of Carrollton, Texas; Reasbeck Construction, Inc. of Warrensburg, Missouri and Richter Excavation & Plumbing LLC, of Warrensburg, Missouri for one year, with two (2) one-year renewal options (Attachment 6).

Mr. Collier also listed the following *information* items listed as part of the consent agenda.

- Written Governance Groups Reports (Attachment 7)
- Status of Faculty Report (Attachment 8)
- Census Date Enrollment Update (Attachment 9)
- Campus Technology Report (Attachment 10)
- FY 2019 First Quarter Investment Report (Attachment 11)
- FY 2019 First Quarter Statement of Revenues & Expenses (Attachment 12)

Reports/Updates

University Update – Agenda Item No. 5

Dr. Best recounted some of the activity occurring on campus this fall including the ribbon-cutting ceremony for the Student Success Advising Center. He also shared that UCM received a \$2.7 million grant from the Department of Education for disbursement over a five-year period to use for its student success initiatives. Dr. Best recognized Dr. Godard, Dr. Goos and staff for all of the work they have done to make the new Advising Center a reality and to implement an advising model that will greatly benefit our students.

Dr. Best announced that UCM's ROTC program recently celebrated its 50-year anniversary. During these 50 years, six of the more than 900 individuals commissioned, reached the rank of General. Other announcements centered on Homecoming related events; the Dale

Carnegie Speech and Debate event UCM recently hosted that brought 20 other universities from across the U.S. to campus; the Festival of Bands event held last weekend that resulted in the participation of 3,927 band members; and the Lambda Alpha Epsilon regional competition recently held at The MIC, where UCM's chapter won its 16th national championship.

In closing, Dr. Best acknowledged the recent loss of three student lives and expressed appreciation for the good work of Dr. Corey Bowman and Mr. Scott Rhoads in working with the families during a difficult time.

Legislative Update – Agenda Item No. 6

Dr. Best noted a decline in State revenue from last year, and commented on the recent error made by the Missouri Department of Revenue regarding state withholding taxes. He also discussed legislation passed last year that allows higher education institutions to increase tuition as much as 5% if the State reduces state appropriations. However, the tuition increase cannot exceed the amount of the reduced appropriation. Dr. Best said MDHE has stated its support of UCM and is making efforts to work more collaboratively with higher education institutions. He referred to the matter of mission reviews as an example, which was discussed at length during the preceding day's Work Session. Dr. Best closed by stating his plans for engagement with legislators and others in the State when the Legislature goes back into session.

Board Committee on Student Engagement & University Advancement

Ms. Dandurand, Chair of the Board Committee on Student Engagement & University Advancement, reported the Committee met the preceding day and had an informative meeting. The Committee had no action items to bring to the Board.

Board Committee on Academic Affairs

Dr. Long, Chair of the Board Committee on Academic Affairs, reported the Committee met the preceding day and had an informative meeting. Action items brought forward to the Board were approved under the Consent Agenda.

Board Committee on Finance & Administration

Mr. Wright, Chair of the Board Committee on Finance & Administration, reported the Committee met the preceding day. A number of items were presented including some action items for the Board's approval. Mr. Wright asked Mr. Hawley to present the following agenda items.

Acceptance of External Audit Report – Agenda Item No. 7

Mr. Hawley stated representatives from RubinBrown LLC, presented the external audit (Attachment 13) to the Board during yesterday's Work Session, which was determined to be a clean unmodified audit. Mr. Hawley commended Ms. Savage-Moore and Ms. Brockhaus for the assistance they provided throughout the audit. Dr. Best added his personal appreciation to Ms. Savage-Moore and Ms. Brockhaus for their good work and to Mr. Hawley for stepping into the role of Interim Chief Financial Officer Mid-cycle. *Mr. Wright moved that the Board of Governors accept the external audit performed by RubinBrown LLC. The motion was seconded by Mr. Abney and carried unanimously.*

Establishment of Study Abroad Fee – Agenda Item No. 8

Dr. Godard referred the Board to Tab 23 of the meeting materials and stated establishment of a Study Abroad fee (Attachment 14) was discussed at yesterday's committee meeting. The proposed \$100 Study Abroad fee will be charged to students who are accepted and commit to a study abroad program (UCM-sponsored or not). *Mr. Wright moved that the Board of Governors approve the Study Abroad fee of \$100, effective for all students studying abroad after July 1, 2019. The motion was seconded by Mr. Hicklin and carried unanimously.*

Other – Agenda Item No. 9

There being no further business to discuss in Plenary Session, the Board resumed meeting in Closed Session at 9:00 a.m. This was a continuance of the preceding day's Closed Session, which due to time constraints, all business listed on the agenda could not be addressed.

Adjournment - Agenda Item No. 10

Following the conclusion of Closed Session, *Mr. Hicklin moved for the Plenary Session to adjourn. The motion was seconded by Mr. Abney and carried unanimously.* The meeting adjourned at 10:05 a.m.

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Attachment Listing

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1	Emeritus Status Requests
2	B.S. in Environmental, Safety, and Risk Management
3	Academie Lafayette Charter Renewal
4	KC International Academy Charter Renewal
5	Proposed Revisions to BOG Policy 4.1.020 – Investment Policy
6	On-Call Construction Services
7	Written Governance Groups Reports
8	Status of Faculty Report
9	Census Date Enrollment Update
10	Campus Technology Report
11	FY 2019 First Quarter Investment Report
12	FY 2019 First Quarter Statement of Revenues and Expenses
13	External Audit Report
14	Establishment of Study Abroad Fee