

University of Central Missouri
Board of Governors
Mini Retreat Summary
January 20, 2021

The University of Central Missouri (UCM) Board of Governors convened for a mini retreat at 1:00 p.m. on Wednesday, January 20, 2021, in Union 237A on UCM's main campus in Warrensburg, Missouri. Individuals participating in the meeting included Board President Stephen Abney, Governors John Collier, Mary Dandurand, Mary Long, Kenneth Weymuth, Gus Wetzel, and Zachary Racy from UN 237A, and Governor Marvin E. Wright by phone. Staff participating in or attending the retreat included University President Roger Best; General Counsel Lindsay Chapman; Vice President for Academic Affairs and Provost Phil Bridgmon; Vice President for Student Experience and Engagement Shari Bax; Vice President for Finance and Operations Bill Hawley; Vice President for Integrated Marketing and Communications Susan Smedley; Vice President for Intercollegiate Athletics Jerry Hughes; Executive Director of Governmental Relations David Pearce; and Assistant Board Secretary Monica Huffman.

Note: Dr. Long left the retreat at approximately 3:00 p.m. and Mr. Wright departed the meeting at approximately 3:30 p.m.

Updates provided by President Best and Vice Presidents Bridgmon, Bax, Hawley and Smedley, centered around enrollment growth and mix; major initiatives currently in progress, and naming opportunities. National and regional enrollment data and the implications for UCM were presented, and more specifically, the implications as they relate to Academic Affairs, Integrated Marketing and Communications, Student Experience and Engagement, and Finance and Administration areas, were discussed. Major initiatives discussed included the instructional faculty promotion process, retrenchment and general education review.

Following the updates provided by the President and Vice Presidents, General Counsel Chapman gave a presentation related to legal issues in higher education as part of the Board's annual professional development. (Presentations – Attachment).

Adjournment

The retreat ended at the conclusion of Ms. Chapman's presentation at 5:00 p.m.