Meeting Minutes West Virginia State University Board of Governors Full Board

Erickson Alumni Center, Grand Hall and Zoom February 1, 2023

I. Call to Order

Governor Kelley called the meeting to order at 3:04 p.m.

II. Roll Call

The clerk called the roll. Members present were Governor Curtis, Governor Flores, Governor Greenhowe, Governor Jackson, Governor Kelley, Governor McKibben, Governor Pietruszynski, and Governor Pitchford. Governor Jones, Governor Payne, Governor Raines, and Governor Saffore were absent.

III. Verification of Appropriate Notice of Public Meeting

Governor Kelley verified the Appropriate Notice of Public Meeting.

IV. Conversations with the WVSU Board of Governors

Governor Kelley said the meeting was being held in accordance with West Virginia Code to provide an opportunity to discuss ways to collectively enhance operational efficiencies and effectiveness across the university community. Each group was allotted time on the agenda to participate in the conversations with the Board.

- V. Ms. Maryam Rawash, Student Government Association (SGA) President, provided an update on the current work of the SGA. Additionally, she and fellow students shared questions and concerns, including but not limited to:
 - Low student participation on campus;
 - Dining hall issues with food, salad bar, lack of cleanliness;
 - Campus Carry Act;
 - Dilapidated facilities and classrooms;
 - Relationship with neighboring chemical companies; and
 - Fitness Center hours.

Dr. Jessica Barnes-Pietruszynski, Faculty Senate Chair, provided an update on the current work of the Faculty Senate. Additionally, she and fellow faculty members discussed concerns, including but not limited to:

- Low faculty morale;
- Pay disparity and salary schedules;
- Number of administrative positions;
- Lack of temperature control in many classrooms;
- Outdated or lack of technology in classrooms;
- Customer service; and
- Deferred maintenance.

Ms. Robin Tabor, Staff Council Chair, shared questions and concerns on behalf of the staff, including but not limited to:

- Additional workloads with no additional pay;
- Employees receiving promotions and raises knowing the financial position; and
- Staff feel they should not be scheduled last for these sessions with the Board.

Administrators and Deans responded to all of the questions and addressed concerns that were expressed during the sessions. If additional questions or concerns arise, faculty, staff, and students were asked to inform their respective leader and/or Board representative so that the information can be shared with the President or the Board.

VI. With there being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 5:15 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Governor Chris opher Jackson

Secretary

Approved:

Governor Mark W. Kelley

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Erickson Alumni Center, Grand Ha and Zoom February 2, 2023 9:00 a.m.

I. Call to Order and Oath of Office

Governor Kelley called the meeting to order at 11:15 a.m. and administered the oath of office to Governor Greenhowe and Governor Saffore.

II. Roll Call

The clerk called the roll. Members present were Governor Curtis, Governor Flores, Governor Greenhowe, Governor Jackson, Governor Jones, Governor Kelley, Governor McKibben, Governor Payne, Governor Pietruszynski, Governor Pitchford, and Governor Saffore. Governor Raines was absent.

III. Verification of Appropriate Notice of Public Meeting

Governor Kelley verified the Appropriate Notice of Public Meeting.

IV. Approval of Meeting Minutes

Governor Kelley asked for a motion to approve the minutes from the December 9, 2022 meeting. Governor Flores so moved, and Governor McKibben seconded the motion. The motion carried.

V. Report from the President

President Cage provided updates on spring semester kick-off events, legislative engagement, WVSU Day at the Capitol, new partnerships, and leadership appointments.

Governor Kelley shared a brief overview of the town hall meetings held the previous day for Board members who could not attend. He said it was the most positive campus constituents meeting he has participated in since sitting on the Board. He gave credit to President Cage for the efforts to move the University forward together.

VI. Approval of Academic Program Reviews

The Academic Affairs Committee received the program reviews for the Bachelor of Science in Business Administration and the Master of Education in Instructional Leadership. Both programs were recommended for continuation at the current level. Governor Jones moved that the Board approve the programs reviews as presented. Governor Jackson seconded the motion, and the motion carried.

VII. Approval to Adopt and Revise Policies

The Governance Committee reviewed revisions to BOG Policy #14 and the proposed new BOG Policy #66. Both policies were recommended for approval. Governor McKibben moved that the Board approve the policies as presented. Governor Saffore seconded the motion, and the motion carried.

VIII. Possible Executive Session under the Authority of West Virginia Code §6-9A-4 to Discuss Legal, Personnel and Property Matters

Governor McKibben motioned for approval to go into Executive Session under the authority of West Virginia Code §6-9A-4 to discuss legal, personnel, and property matters. Governor McKibben seconded the motion, and the motion carried.

Governor Jackson motioned to arise from the executive session and reconvene into the regular session, and Governor Jackson seconded the motion. The motion carried Governor Kelley asked for the record to reflect that the board only discussed items related to the topics listed, that no decisions or motions were made in executive session, and no votes were taken.

IX. Adjournment

With there being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 12:45 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Chris Jackson, Secretary

Approved:

Mark Kelley, Chair