

**Meeting Minutes**  
**West Virginia State University Board of Governors**  
**Full Board**  
**James C. Wilson University Union and Zoom**  
**April 23, 2021**  
**2:00 p.m.**

- I. Call to Order**  
Mr. Jones called the meeting to order at 2:00 p.m.
- II. Roll Call**  
The clerk called the roll. Members present were Mr. Buchanan, Mr. Davis, Mr. Flores, Mr. Gray, Mr. Jones, Mr. Payne, Dr. Smith, and Dr. Vaughan. Members absent were Ms. Harper, Mr. Kelley, Mrs. Pitchford, and Mr. Raines.
- III. Verification of Appropriate Notice of Public Meeting**  
Mr. Jones verified the Appropriate Notice of Public Meeting.
- IV. Approval of February 3-4, 2021 and March 26, 2021 Meeting Minutes**  
Dr. Smith motioned for approval of the minutes of the February 3-4, 2021 and March 26, 2021 meetings. Mr. Flores seconded the motion, and the motion carried.
- V. Report from the Board Chair**  
Mr. Jones recognized Dr. Smith, who received the American Association of University Administrators 2020 Dan L. King Award for University and College Trustee Leadership. This award is given to a college or university board member whose service exemplifies commitment to higher education and who demonstrates the highest ethical standards in providing leadership from the trustee-level. Dr. Smith has been a member of the Board of Governors since 2011, serving as board chair, vice chair, and secretary as well as chair of several board committees.
- VI. Report from the University President**  
President Pride presented information on the inaugural Board of Visitors, including the plan and purpose of having a Board of Visitors.
- VII. Academic Policy Committee**  
Approval of Academic Program Review-Psychology, B.A.  
This item was tabled until the next meeting.  
  
Approval of Academic Program Review-Education, B.S.  
As recommended by the Academic Policy Committee, Dr. Smith motioned for approval by the Board of Governors of the Academic Program Review-Education, B.S. as presented. Dr. Vaughan seconded the motion, and the motion carried.  
  
Approval of Proposal for New Academic Degree Program-Master of Business Administration (MBA)  
As recommended by the Academic Policy Committee, Dr. Smith motioned for approval by the Board of Governors of the proposal for a new academic degree program-Master of Business Administration (MBA). Pending approval by the full board, the proposal for the MBA will go before the West Virginia Higher Education Policy Commission for approval. Dr. Vaughan seconded the motion, and the motion carried.

Approval of Mission, Vision, and Values (Strategic Planning Update)

As recommended by the Academic Policy Committee, Dr. Smith motioned for approval by the Board of Governors of the Mission, Vision, and Values for the university as presented within the strategic planning update. Mr. Davis 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**

Dr. Vaughan 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. Dr. Smith seconded the motion, and the motion carried.

Dr. Vaughan motioned to arise from the executive session and reconvene into the regular session, and Dr. Smith seconded the motion. The motion carried. Mr. Jones 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**

Dr. Vaughan motioned for adjournment. Dr. Smith seconded the motion, and the motion carried. The meeting adjourned at 4:02 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,



Dr. Ann Brothers Smith, Secretary

Approved:



Charles E. Jones, Chair