



FAIRMONT STATE UNIVERSITY
BOARD OF GOVERNORS
MEETING MINUTES
DECEMBER 17, 2024
BOARD ROOM, 3RD FLOOR FALCON CENTER
1201 LOCUST AVENUE, FAIRMONT, WV
TEAMS MEETING

I. CALL TO ORDER

A. Roll Call

Chair Jennifer Kinty convened the Fairmont State University Board of Governors meeting on December 17, 2024, beginning at approximately 9:01 a.m. in the Board Room, 3rd Floor Falcon Center, at 1201 Locust Avenue, Fairmont, West Virginia, and via Teams.

Note: With this meeting being conducted in person and via Teams, there was no way to ascertain all other participants but the following Fairmont State Board of Governors members and Fairmont State University administrators, staff, and faculty participating via Teams or present included:

At the request of Chair Kinty, Cheryl Lewis, Executive Assistant to the President and Board of Governors, conducted a roll call of the Board of Governors. Present for the meeting were board members Jennifer Kinty, Jason Pizatella, Kevin Rogers, Jason Henderson, Gina Fantasia, Jon Dodds, Lance Puccio, John Schirripa, Drew Paton and Riley Neal. David Goldberg was present via Teams. Wendy Adkins was absent.

Others present were President Michael Davis and President's Executive Leadership Team members Greg Bamberger, Athletic Director; Dr. Janna Bredeson, Vice President of Student Success; George Wolf, Vice President of Enrollment Management; Dr. Susan Ross, Interim Provost; and John Nisbet, Interim Vice President of Finance & Administration/CFO. Also present were Dr. Mary Sortino, Dean of Graduate Studies; Dr. Heath Howard, Executive Director of Institutional Research; Alicia Kalka, Associate Vice President of Enrollment Management; Dr. Amanda Metcalf, Dean of the College of Education, Health and Human Performance; Spencer Flanagan, Director of University Unions & Campus Recreation, and Anne Bolyard, President of Fairmont State Foundation.

B. Public Comment

Chair Jennifer Kinty acknowledged that no public comments were submitted to the BOG members through the public comment email. Cheryl Lewis, Assistant to the President and Board of Governors, confirmed that there were no public comments submitted.

C. Approval of Agenda

Dr. Gina Fantasia moved to approve the agenda. Kevin Rogers seconded. The motion passed.

II. APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF OCTOBER 23, 2024

Dr. Gina Fantasia moved to approve October 23, 2024, minutes. Jon Dodds seconded. The motion passed.

III. REPORTS AND PRESENTATIONS

A. President's Report

Dr. Michael Davis presented information on the following:

- Presidential Communications: Oct. 23-Dec. 16
- Fall Commencement
- Presidential Engagement: Oct. 23-Dec. 16
- Moody's Rating
- Enhancing the University Bookstore
- Fighting Falcons' Fall Accolades

B. Foundation Update

Dr. Anne Bolyard presented information on the following:

- FY 2025 Successes and Milestones
 - Gifts
 - Donor Comparison
 - FY 2025 Major Gift Breakdown
 - Proposals FYTD 2025
 - Financial Milestones Fiscal YTD
- FY 2025 Current Projects and Updates
 - Day of Giving 2025 Updates
- Looking to the Future Updates

IV. ENROLLMENT, HOUSING & STUDENT LIFE COMMITTEE (Jason Pizatella, Chair)

Jason Pizatella, Chair of the Enrollment, Housing & Student Life Committee, advised that the committee met on December 5, 2024.

Dr. Janna Bredeson, Vice President of Student Affairs, provided information on the following:

- Fall 2025 Housing Applications
- Current Term Occupancy YOY
- Engagement Platform
- Holiday Facility Schedule
- Fall Welcome Week 2025 Planning

George Wolf, Vice President of Enrollment Management, provided information on the following:

- Spring 2025 Recruitment Updates
 - Spring 2025 Admissions
 - Spring 2025 Commitments
- Fall 2025 Funnel Updates
 - First Time Freshmen Application Activity
 - First Time Freshmen Admit Matric (Deposit & Melt) Activity
- Enrollment Management Division Reorganization & Repositioning
 - Enrollment Management
 - Student Success & Retention
 - Admissions & Recruitment
 - Enrollment Services
 - Enrollment Services
 - Financial Aid

V. AUDIT COMMITTEE

Jennifer Kinty, Chair of the Audit Committee, advised that the committee met on December 4, 2024.

Stuttle & Stalnaker presented the FY24 Audit

John Schirripa moved to approve the FY24 Audit. Drew Paton seconded. The motion passed.

VI. FINANCE COMMITTEE

John Schirripa, Chair of the Finance Committee, advised that the Finance Committee met on December 4, 2024

John Nisbet, Interim Vice President of Finance & Administration/CFO, provided information on the following:

- FY25 Budget YTD Results
 - E&G
 - Auxiliary
- FY26 Tuition and Fees Proposal- Approval Item
- Moody's Credit Rating
- Examples of "General" E&G, Fund Manager, Auxiliary, Cash Reserves, Capital Projects

Gina Fantasia moved to approve the FY26 Tuition & Fees. Kevin Rogers seconded. The motion passed.

VII. ACADEMIC AFFAIRS COMMITTEE

Dr. Susan Ross, Interim Provost, advised that the Academic Affairs Committee met on December 4, 2024

Dr. Susan Ross, Interim Provost, provided information on the following:

- Degree Designation Change
- Accelerated Degree Programs
- Information items
 - Masters in Nursing Program
 - Academic Calendar
 - Academic Restructuring Update
 - Faculty Affairs-Promotion and Tenure Update

Dr. Gina Fantasia moved to approve the master in healthcare management degree designation change to master in healthcare administration. Jon Dodds seconded. The motion passed.

VIII. ATHLETIC AFFAIRS COMMITTEE

Kevin Rogers, Chair of the Athletic Affairs Committee, advised that the Athletic Affairs Committee met on December 3, 2024.

Greg Bamberger, Director of Athletics, provided information on the following:

- Fall Sports Wrap Up
- Winter Sports Update
- Academic Success Rate
- Personnel Update
- Transportation Update

IX. BYLAWS COMMITTEE

Dr. Gina Fantasia, Chair of the Bylaws Committee, advised the committee met on December 2, 2024.

Jon Dodds moved to approve the repeal of policy 50 "Policy on Policies" and the adoption of policy 1.1 "Adoption, Amendment, or Repeal of BOG Policies." Lance Puccio seconded. The motion passed.

X. EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

Chair Kinty advised that the Executive Committee met on December 10, 2024, to discuss Middle College and pending litigation.

XI. NEW BUSINESS

President Davis announced that Dr. Heath Howard, Executive Director of Institutional Research, will be leaving us and returning home. Several expressed their gratitude.

XII. EXECUTIVE SESSION

Jason Pizatella moved to approve going into executive session, pursuant to:

- WV Code §6-9A-4(b)(11) to consider pending litigation

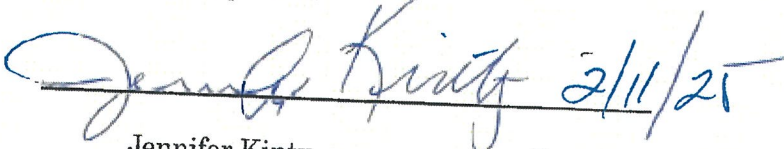
Jason Henderson seconded. The motion passed.

John Schirripa moved to approve to rise from executive session. Kevin Rogers seconded. The motion passed.

Chair Kinty advised that no action or votes were taken in executive session.

XIII. ADJOURNMENT

Jason Pizatella made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Lance Puccio seconded. The motion passed.

 2/11/25

Jennifer Kinty
Board of Governors' Chair

Date

 2/11/25

Wendy Adkins
Board of Governors' Secretary

Date