

## **SHEPHERD UNIVERSITY BOARD OF GOVERNORS**

### **MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF APRIL 21, 2022**

The Shepherd University Board of Governors met on April 21, 2022, in a regular meeting. Members participating were: Gat Caperton, Jim Cherry (audio feed), Elana Gutmann, Eric Lewis, Jonathan Mason, Susan Mentzer-Blair, Timothy Nixon, Austin Slater, Jr., and Karl Wolf. Also present were Shepherd University President Mary J.C. Hendrix, members of the executive leadership team and others. Board members David Avella, Henry Kayes, Jr., and Ramona Kissel were absent from the meeting.

**1. PUBLIC COMMENTS**

No public comments were made.

**2. RECOGNITION OF EMERITUS/EMERITA FACULTY AND STAFF**

Dr. Ben Martz, Interim Provost/Vice President Academic Affairs, presented to the Board: Dr. Michael Groves, Associate Professor of Nursing, *Emeritus*, and Dr. David Wing, Associate Professor of Biology, *Emeritus*. Dr. Marie DeWalt, Director of Human Resources, presented to the Board: Ms. Melody Gillespie, Lead Painter, *Emerita*; Ms. Deborah Manuel, Student Records Assistant, *Emerita*; and Ms. Cindy Snyder, Associate Registrar for Student Systems, *Emerita*, and recognized Ms. Carol Boyd, Principal Systems Analyst, *Emerita*; Ms. Joyce Cabral, Director of Financial Aid, *Emerita*; Mr. Dale Hunter, Supervisor of Campus Services, *Emeritus*, and Mr. Orrett White, Campus Service Worker, *Emeritus*.

**3. CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS**

**M (Mason), S (Mentzer-Blair), PASSED**, all members participating by audio feed were polled, that the following resolution be adopted by the Board:

**RESOLVED**, That the Shepherd University Board of Governors approves:

- 1) The Minutes of the Meeting of February 17, 2022;
- 2) Additional Action on 2022-2023 Tuition and Enrollment and Special Fees, to include:
  - a) Undergraduate in-state annual tuition and fees of \$8,282, and out-of-state undergraduate annual tuition and fees of \$18,722;
  - b) Masters On-Line programs tuition and fees rate of \$500 per credit hour;
  - c) New program fee in Nutrition of \$12.50 and the new course fee for Recreation 211 of \$68.25; and
- 3) The Approval of the 2021-2022 Academic Program Reviews, each as presented in the Agenda materials of April 21, 2022.

**4. PRESIDENT'S REPORT**

President Hendrix reviewed highlights of the ongoing initiatives for advancing Shepherd from among the comprehensive list provided in the President's Report. President Hendrix noted that Dr. Robert Tudor sang the Ukrainian National Anthem at a prayer service for the embattled

country. President Hendrix commented that new Congressional grant submissions totaling a little more than \$20 million in requests were submitted to Senators Manchin and Capito.

5. **REPORT OF THE ACADEMIC PROGRAMS AND DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE**

On behalf of the Academic Programs and Development Committee, Mr. Wolf provided a brief update of the Committee's discussions, which included a University Development Update, including Giving Day 2022. Mr. Wolf also discussed the Committee's Program Review Update for the Honors Program, and the 2021-2022 Academic Program Reviews as approved in the Consent Agenda.

6. **REPORT OF THE ENROLLMENT, STUDENT AND COMMUNITY AFFAIRS COMMITTEE**

On behalf of the Enrollment, Student and Community Affairs Committee, Mr. Caperton provided a brief update of the Committee's discussions, which included the Campus Safety Annual Data Report, an Enrollment Management and Marketing Update which continues to show a positive outlook for the Fall, and a Student Affairs Update.

7. **REPORT OF THE FINANCE AND FACILITIES COMMITTEE**

On behalf of Finance and Facilities Committee, Ms. Stevens provided a brief update of the Committee's discussions, which included the Human Resources Annual Report, the FY2023 Capital Initiatives Preliminary Discussion, and the FY2024 Capital Funding Priorities Preliminary Discussion.

8. **FY2023 PROPOSED ANNUAL BUDGET PRELIMINARY DISCUSSION**

Ms. Stevens noted that the April 19 Finance and Facilities Committee meeting held on April 19, identified additional work for staff to complete and anticipated that an additional Finance Committee meeting might be held in May to further discuss the FY2023 budget.

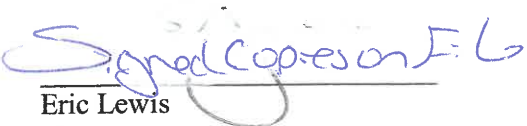
9. **NEW BUSINESS**

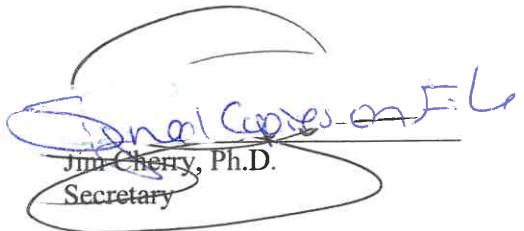
Chair Lewis noted he is hopeful the Governor will take money out of the large State budget surplus and place it into Higher Education for deferred maintenance, etc. It is anticipated that a decision on this statewide initiative is forthcoming.

10. **EXECUTIVE SESSION**

**M (Nixon), S (Gutmann), PASSED**, all members were polled (Member Cherry absent at this time), that the following resolution be adopted by the Board: that pursuant to Section 4 of Article 9A of Chapter 6 of the WV Code, it was moved that the Board enter into executive session for the purpose of discussion of matters relating to confidential legal matters relating to ongoing litigation.

Following this discussion, the Board adjourned.

  
Eric Lewis  
Chair

  
Jim Cherry, Ph.D.  
Secretary