

SHEPHERD UNIVERSITY BOARD OF GOVERNORS

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF FEBRUARY 17, 2022

The Shepherd University Board of Governors met on February 17, 2022, in a regular meeting. Members participating were: David Avella, Gat Caperton, Jim Cherry, Elana Gutmann, Henry Kayes, Jr., 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 member Ramona Kissel was absent from the meeting.

1. PUBLIC COMMENTS

No public comments were made.

2. CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS

M (Gutmann), S (Wolf), PASSED, all members participating by audio feed were polled (Member Caperton absent for this vote), 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 December 16, 2021; and
- 2) The Minutes of the Special Meeting of January 4, 2022,
each as presented in the Agenda materials of February 17, 2022.

3. PRESIDENT'S REPORT

President Hendrix devoted her time to an information session for all members of the Board of Governors to hear presentations from Dr. Robert Warburton, Dean, College of Science, Technology, Engineering, and Mathematics, and Dr. Ben Martz, Interim Provost. Dr. Warburton covered the condition of some classrooms located in Snyder Hall, Stutzman Slonaker Hall, and Byrd Science Center. Dr. Martz reviewed needed classroom technology upgrades with the Board. A discussion among the Board members and the presenters ensued.

4. REPORT OF THE ACADEMIC PROGRAMS AND DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE

On behalf of the Academic Programs and Development Committee, Dr. Cherry provided a brief update of the Committee's discussions which included a University Development Update. Chair Lewis asked Mr. Caperton to weigh in on the Comprehensive Campaign.

Dr. Cherry introduced Dr. Max Guirguis, Advisory Council of Faculty (ACF) University Representative, Professor of Political Science, and Chair, Department of Political Science, Global Studies, and Geography, to provide an update regarding the ACF. The ACF has focused on the Funding Formula Bills, Campus-Carry Bills, Anti-Racism Bills, Soda Tax Bills, and the Broadband Internet Bill.

Chair Lewis stated that the Funding Formula Bill would exempt all baccalaureate schools from new program approval processes for programs prioritized in the Formula. He also noted increased funding for the Promise Scholarship.

5. **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 an Enrollment Management Update and a Student Affairs Update.

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

On behalf of Finance and Facilities Committee, Mr. Kayes provided a brief update of the Committee's discussions which included the Quarterly Financial Report: 2nd Quarter FY2022.

7. **PROPOSED 2022-2023 ENROLLMENT, HOUSING, DINING AND OTHER FEES**

M (Wolf), S (Mentzer-Blair), PASSED (Avella – No), 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 increases to annual full-time Tuition and Enrollment Fees for undergraduate (In-State and Out-of-State) of \$499, and approves increases to graduate per credit hour rates as presented in the supplemental agenda materials of February 17, 2022.

M (Avella), S (Gutmann), 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 the adjustments to Housing, Dining, and Miscellaneous Fees as presented in the supplemental agenda materials of February 17, 2022.

8. **NEW BUSINESS**

None.

9. **EXECUTIVE SESSION**

M (Nixon), S (Mentzer-Blair), PASSED, 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 honoraria and awards.

M (Mason), S (Cherry), 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 the awarding of the Honorary Doctor of Humane Letters to Wendy Bianca Keller, and directs that this action be reflected in the Board's meeting minutes following the public announcement of this conferral of honors.

Dr. Cherry recused himself from the Executive Session, and did not return thereafter.

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 the awarding of the Honorary Doctor of Science to Dr. James Michael Cherry, and directs that this action be reflected in the Board's meeting minutes following the public announcement of this conferral of honors.

Following an executive session discussion, the Board arose from the Executive Session and then adjourned.

Signed Copies on F-Lo
Eric Lewis
Chair

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Jim Cherry, Ph.D.
Secretary