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WESTERN MICHIGAN UNIVERSITY BOARD OF TRUSTEES FORMAL SESSION THURSDAY, JULY 18, 2013

The Board of Trustees formal session was called to order by Chair Carlson at 11:05 a.m. on Thursday, July 18, 2013, in Rooms 157-159, Bernhard Center.

Board Members present: Chair Carlson, Vice Chair Hettinger, Trustee Asmonga-Knapp, Trustee Crumm, Trustee Debel, Trustee Hall, Trustee Johnston, Trustee Miller and President Dunn (ex officio).

Approval of the Minutes of June 12, 2013. The minutes were accepted as distributed on a motion by Trustee Debel, supported by Trustee Hettinger.

Remarks by the Chair. (Attachment A).

Remarks by the President/ (Attachment B)

Remarks by the WMU Studemt Association President. President John-Mark Cuarto. reported on the activities of his organization and plans for the upcoming academic year.

Remarks by the Faculty Senate President. Dr. William Rants provided an update on the work of the Faculty Senate.

Action Items

Capital Outlay Project Priority List. As presented by David Dakin, Director, Campus Facility Planning, following a motion by Trustee Hall, supported by Trustee Hettinger,, the Board of Trustees recommended the approval of the Building Project Priority List (Attachment C) and the submission of the Renovation of Lab Floors \$ & 6 in the WMU Building on the W.E. Upjohn Campus as this year's Capital Outlay Request

Affiliation – Western Michigan University and the Thomas M. Cooley Law School . As reviewed by Jan VanDerKley, Vice President for Business and Finance, after a motion by Trustee Miller, supported by Trustee Hettinger, the Board of Trustees approved the affiliation agreement (Attachment D) that will allow the private Thomas C. Cooley Law School to become the Western Michigan University Thomas M. Cooley Law School. The agreement authorizes the administration to take all other actions deemed necessary to effect the affiliation, including the authority to execute and deliver all agreements, contracts, instruments and filings and other documents.

Consent Items. Presented by Chair Carlson, on a motion by Trustee Johnston, supported by Trustee Asmonga Knapp, the following consent items were approved—Personnel Report, Gift Report, Grant Report, Program Changes, amd :Liquor License Applications.

Informational Items

East Hall Alumni Center Design Concept. As part of the East Campus renovations. Tower-Pinkster Principal Bjorn Green presented the beginning design elements planned for the 34,000 square foot core of East Hall that was completed in 1905 and considered the birthplace of WMU. Mr. Green noted that "our firm is truly excited about the potential for the space they've been asked to design. They are working with our historic preservation consultant to both redevelop East Hall and design a hilltop space that will celebrate and honor the legacy of the entire site."

Housing and Dining Comprehensive Plan – Diane Anderson, Vice President Student Affairs, gave a detailed report on a omprehensive housing and dining initiative that "will transform campus life." Plans include organization of the campus into four neighborhoods that will accommodate more than 6,800 students, with a variety of food, social and recreational areas.

Tobacco-Free Campus – Vice President Anderson presented the findings of a committee formed to study the possibility of turning WMU into a tobacco-free campus, effective September 1, 2014. The committee also recommends that the next year be used as a transition period to seek broad-based input on how to implement such a policy and launch all needed campus changes. The committee noted that of 1,150 U.S. colleges and universities, about ¼ of total number are smoke free,. Those smoke free in Michigan as of fall 2013 include University of Michigan, Michigan Technological University, and Oakland University.

Public Comments. Public comments included re the housing and dining comprehensive plan/ concern re the removal of trees and complaits re demolition of East Campus buildings.

Adjournment. The meeting was adjourned at 12:45 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Betty A. Kocher

Secretary

Board of Trustees

Jeanne Carlson Board Remarks

7/18/13

Good Morning.

Thank you all for being here this morning. I see familiar faces among the audience today--welcome back--but I also see some new faces and want to welcome you to our meeting as well. I'd like to start the meeting with a few comments on campus developments over the past five weeks that I find important and definitely worth taking a moment to note and ensure you all are aware of the news.

Student-Athletes

I was extraordinarily proud to learn of the academic achievements of our athletes, who at this university are true scholar athletes. In late June, we learned that three of our teams were honored by the NCAA for having academic progress scores that are among the top 10 percent in the nation for teams in their respective sports. Those teams are women's tennis and men's and women's soccer.

Even more impressive is the fact that, for the 14th consecutive semester dating back to 2006, WMU athletes this past spring had a collective GPA of more than 3.00. The top five teams all boasted team GPAs of 3.5 or better and were led by women's gymnastics, which earned a 3.86, the highest GPA during a given semester on record. Eight gymnastics team

members earned a 4.00 this spring while capturing a share of the 2013 Mid-American Conference title.

In all, 224 WMU student athletes earned a GPA of 3.00 or higher this spring In addition, 141 earned GPAs of 3.50 or better, while 88 had a 3.75 or better GPA and 39 achieved perfect 4.00 GPAs.

Science and math teachers for high-need schools

Earlier this week, I was pleased to learn more about WMU's involvement in an ambitious and intense effort to reform the way math and science is taught in Michigan's high schools--especially in high-need urban and rural schools.

On Monday, the W.K. Kellogg Foundation of Battle Creek and the Woodrow Wilson Foundation of Princeton, N.J., announced the third round of Michigan teaching fellows. These are recent college graduates and midcareer professionals--working scientists, and engineers--who have decided to commit their science and math skills to the classroom. WMU will enroll 13 of the 51 Fellows selected in a master's program that puts them in the classroom throughout their yearlong master's level studies. They each receive a \$30,000 stipend and continual mentoring. In return, they pledge to teach in one of our state's high-need secondary schools for at least three years.

WMU has built a new master's degree program around this fellowship and has been extraordinarily successful with the first two cohorts. The bottom line? Kellogg and Wilson Foundation officials estimate the Fellows will have a positive impact on more than 100,000 Michigan teens who otherwise might never have had an opportunity to pursue a degree in the STEM disciplines.

Community outreach initiatives

And finally, I'd like to add a few words of praise for some of the innovative outreach methods being used by the University to familiarize the general public with our campus and our programs. I'll mention just three that have caught my attention:

- Sunseeker--In late June our wonderful solar race team from the
 engineering college traveled to Austin, Texas, with its Sunseeker race car to
 compete against the top engineering schools in the nation in the June 24-29
 Formula Sun Grand Prix. Results were an impressive fifth-place finish for
 WMU on a blistering track where surface temperatures reached 139
 degrees. After 23 years of solar racing, WMU teams continue to lift the
 profile of our engineering college.
- Bike race--Last weekend, some 275 bike racers and their families had a chance to spend the day on our engineering campus and the surrounding Business Technology and Research Park as they took part in the 2013

Miller Energy Criterium. This is the eighth year that WMU has used a day of unique cycling competitive racing events to showcase our campus.

• And finally, our University will once again help families across the region explore the discipline of archaeology Aug. 10-11 with an open house that is the culmination of its annual field school in Niles, Mich. Each year since 2004, students and faculty have held an open house for the public at its Fort St. Joseph historical site. This showpiece of education and outreach offers the public a chance to view ongoing excavations and to interact with the student archaeologists who are exploring the 18th century fort and fur trading community that is one of the oldest historical sites in the Midwest.

I endorse and support all of these tools to keep higher education in general and Western Michigan University, in particular, in the spotlight.

Closing

And now, I'm going to turn the microphone over to President Dunn, who has some additional items to share with you.

... After President Dunn's remarks

Now its time to hear from our student and faculty leadership. We have with us today, the newly elected president of the Western Student Association John-MarkCuarto (MARK QWAHR toh); Damian Roberts, chair of the Graduate Student Advisory Committee; and Faculty Senate President William Rantz.

John M. Dunn Board Remarks July 18, 2013

Opening

Good morning, and let me add my thanks to you all for being with us this morning. I'd like to start the morning by sharing some information about several significant initiatives and accomplishments.

Strategic Planning

As a University community, we've just completed the first full year of implementing our three-year strategic plan. As is always the case, the first thing you do at the end of year one is to reflect on what you've accomplished and what's been learned. We've done that and are moving on at full speed to continue implementing our plan. I would also add that what we bring to the board today in the form of action items and informational items is a direct result of that strategic planning process. You will see that strongly reflected in each of today's presentations.

StoryCorps Military Voices Initiative

There's some breaking news that fits in with a number of our strategic goals--nurturing a diverse campus and enhancing the reputation of the University, just to name a few.

Today, is the last of three days of on-campus recording of the stories of area veterans and their colleagues and families. National Public Radio's StoryCorps and its Military Voices Initiative has been here since Tuesday recording the stories of veterans so they can be used on NPR's Weekend Edition and archived at the Library of Congress. We've had a strong turnout of veterans, and every one of our recording slots was filled and our waiting lists went as far as 10 people deep. Recordings are being done at WMUK in Friedmann Hall, and participants include veterans in their 80s and 90s as well as a two-generation team made up of a Vietnam War vet and his daughter who served in the 1990s.

Dominican Republic trip

Of course, a major tenet of our strategic plan is to be--to continue to be and expand on our current status as--a university that is globally engaged. All indications are that we will see some major gains on several international fronts this year. And just two weeks ago, I traveled to the Dominican Republic to meet, in person, with that nation's education and political leaders who have become genuine fans of Western Michigan University.

I was able to visit a new community college, the president of which is very interested in making connections with us. We took three faculty members and two graduate students down for a five-day inservice workshop for CC instructors that covered topics of interest across the higher ed spectrum--teaching styles, student interaction, handling plagiarism, etc. They, in turn will be sending four people here at the end of this month.

While there, we had a chance to talk about graduate education and study abroad opportunities there for WMU domestic students. I also had the opportunity to meet 34 DR students who will be coming to WMU this fall. This is a strong and continually evolving partnership.

Faculty and student accomplishments

I always like to include in my remarks some outstanding accomplishments of our faculty, staff and students.

For one of the student accomplishments, I need to bring you up to date on our internationally recognized young bassoon player I talked about at the June meeting.

When I first shared this with you, freshman Mingyuan (MINGwahn) Yang of Zhengzhou, China, had just been selected as one of three finalists for the International Double Reed Society's Young Artist Competition. The two other finalists are both students at the prestigious Oberlin Conservatory of Music in Ohio. On June 27, Mingyuan won that competition distinguishing himself in front of a panel of international judges and outperforming the other two finalists. He's carved out a position as the world's top young bassoon artist.

Literally the very next day--June 28--we learned that aviation student **Andrew Kincaid** of Battle Creek had won the national championship in aviation maintenance technology skills as part of the 2013 SkillsUSA Championship series held in Kansas City, Mo. The contest scope was based on FAA airframe and power plant certification guidelines. This is the first time a WMU student has entered this competition. We like to set the bar a bit on the high side.

Faculty accomplishments

And finally, I'll close by mentioning the accomplishments of two members of our education faculty. Dini Metro Roland and Jeffrey Jones, both in the Department of Teaching, Learning and Educational Studies, have been awarded a \$21,365 grant from the National Endowment for the Humanities. They will use the grant to develop a course that examines the concept of "human flourishing." Their research, which combines two of our hallmarks—the humanities and education—will draw from philosophy, literature and the social sciences to understand the changing nature of human flourishing over the history in the West.

And now, I'll turn the mic back to Chair Carlson so she may introduce our student and faculty leaders who will make remarks as well.

(Approximately 7 minutes)

Western Michigan University Building Project Priority List For the Five Year Capital Outlay Plan FY 2015

Major Projects: WMU FY 2013 - 2014

Priority	Project	Estimated Cost	Funding	Capital Outlay Request
#1	Renovation of Lab Floors 4 & 6 in the WMU Building on the W. E. Upjohn Campus for Research, Grants and Projects.	\$50 M	State / WMU	Yes
#2	New Student Union and Services Center	\$75 M	State / WMU	Proposed
#3	College of Aviation Classroom Building and Fleet Maintenance Building - Renovation and Addition	\$19 M	State / WMU	Proposed
#4	Renovation of Dunbar Hall (Classroom Building)	\$21 M	State / WMU	Proposed
#5	Campus Housing Apartments & Residence Halls	\$60 M	WMU	No
#6	New Campus Dining Facility	\$35 M	WMU	No
#7	WMU School of Medicine Facility in the WMU Bldg on the W. E. Upjohn Campus.	\$70 M	Private	No
#8	Renovation of North and Central Kohrman Hall (Classroom Building)	\$24 M	State / WMU	Proposed
#9	Addition to College of Engineering for Research, Instruction, and Civil Engineering	\$50 M	State / WMU	Proposed
#10	Multidisciplinary Science Research Facility	\$100 M	State / WMU	Proposed
#11	Sprau Tower Renovation	\$10 M	WMU	No
#12	East Campus Building Renovation for the Alumni Center	\$15 M	WMU / Private	No
#13	Upgrades and Improvements to Athletic Facilities	TBD	WMU	No
#14	Relocate Physical Plant	TBD	WMU	No
#15	College of Aviation, Aviation and Flight Operations and Aviation Maintenance Building - Renovation and Addition	\$32 M	State / WMU	Proposed
#16	Faculty, Center, and Institute Office Facility	\$5 M	WMU	No
#17	Miller Auditorium Addition	\$10 M	WMU	No
#18	New Parking Ramp	\$8 M	WMU	No
#19	New Auditorium Hall	\$11 M	State / WMU	Proposed

RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF WESTERN MICHIGAN UNIVERSITY

A RESOLUTION of the Board of Trustees of Western Michigan University regarding the name of Western Michigan University Thomas M. Cooley Law School ("Cooley Law School"):

WHEREAS, the Board of Trustees concurs that an affiliation with Cooley Law School will serve the best interests of Western Michigan University, add to the prestige of the University, enhance its academic stature, and further Western's mission and goals;

WHEREAS, affiliation with a law school will add another significant resource to the University that will enrich current academic programs, catalyze new educational opportunities for the University's students, and encourage new joint programs that will benefit current students and likely attract more students to enroll at WMU; and

WHEREAS, allowing Cooley Law School to use the University's name will bring ready recognition to WMU, and increase WMU's visibility in Michigan and throughout the country as one of a select few institutions of higher education affiliated with both a medical and law school.

NOW, THEREFORE,

THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF WESTERN MICHIGAN UNIVERSITY HEREBY:

Authorizes the use of the University's name to permit Thomas M. Cooley Law School to be named Western Michigan University Thomas M. Cooley Law School and authorizes the President or Treasurer to prepare and execute those agreements they deem appropriate and in the University's best interests to authorize such use on terms and conditions approved by the President or Treasurer.

Authorizes the administration to take all other actions they deem appropriate or necessary and in the best interests of the University to effectuate an affiliation resulting in the Western Michigan University Thomas M. Cooley Law School, including the authority to execute and deliver all agreements, contracts, instruments, filings, and other documents, they, in their sole discretion, believe are appropriate or necessary to carry out this resolution.

PERSONNEL REPORT - Revised (reflects deletion of Shake' Ketefian as interim director, WMU Bronson School of Nursing and withdrawal of change of department affiliation for Mark St. Martin)

ACADEMIC

Administrative Appointment

Ben Atchison, Chair, Department of Occupational Therapy, effective July 1, 2013 through June 30, 2015.

Daniel Guyette, Dean, College of Fine Arts, effective August 15, 2013 through June 30, 2018.

Thomas Marks, Interim Director, Center for English Language and Culture for International Students, effective July 12, 2013 through December 31, 2013.

Margaret Merrion, Acting Dean, College of Fine Arts, effective July 1 through August, 31, 2013.

Wolfgang Schlör, Associate Provost, Haenicke Institute for Global Education, effective October 1, 2013 through June 30, 2018.

Edmund Tsang, Interim Dean, College of Engineering and Applied Sciences, effective July 1 through December 31, 2013.

Robert Wertkin, Director, School of Interdisciplinary Health Programs, effective July 1, 2013 through June 30, 2015.

Administrative Reappointment

Walter Burt, Interim Dean, College of Education and Human Development, effective July 1 through August 31, 2013.

Steven Butt, Interim Chair, Department of Industrial and Manufacturing Engineering, July 1 through August 31, 2013.

David Reinhold, Associate Provost for Assessment and Undergraduate Studies, effective July 1, 2013 through June 30, 2018.

Administrative Resignation

Cathryn Bailey, Associate Dean, College of Arts and Sciences, effective June 30, 2013.

Linwood Cousins, Director, School of Social Work, effective August 18, 2013 (change in effective date).

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Administrative Resignation (Continued)

Diana Vreeland, Director, Center for English Language and Culture for International Students, effective July 12, 2013.

Linda Zoeller, Director, WMU Bronson School of Nursing, effective June 30, 2013.

Administrator Return to Faculty

Cathryn Bailey, Professor, Department of Gender and Women's Studies, effective July 1, 2013.

Linwood Cousins, Professor, School of Social Work, effective August 19, 2013 (change in effective date).

Linda Zoeller, Professor, WMU Bronson School of Nursing, effective July 1, 2013.

Tenured Faculty Appointments

Daniel Guyette, Professor, Department of Theatre, effective August 15, 2013.

Tenure Track Faculty Appointments

Sara Clark, Faculty Specialist I-Clinical Specialist, Department of Occupational Therapy, effective July 1, 2013.

Elyse Connors, Assistant Professor, Department of Blindness and Low Vision Studies, effective August 18, 2014 (change in effective date).

Elena Litvinova, Assistant Professor, Department of Physics, effective August 19, 2013.

Brian Petersen, Assistant Professor, Environmental Studies Program, effective August 19, 2013.

Appointments - Term Faculty

Dawn Anderson, Faculty Specialist I-Lecturer, Department of Blindness and Low Vision Studies, effective June 24, 2013 through June 30, 2014.

Theresa Bieszka, Faculty Specialist I-Language Specialist, Center for English Language and Culture, effective August 19, 2013 through August 17, 2014.

Tudy Boldin, Faculty Specialist I-Language Specialist, Center for English Language and Culture, effective August 19, 2013 through August 17, 2014.

Larry Buzas, Faculty Specialist II-Professional Specialist, Department of Educational Leadership, Research and Technology, effective August 19, 2013 through August 17, 2014.

Sarah Cook, Faculty Specialist II-Counseling Specialist, Counseling Services Department, Sindecuse Health Center, effective July 1, 2013 through June 30, 2014.

Patricia Criswell, Instructor, School of Social Work, effective August 19, 2013 through August 17, 2014.

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Appointments - Term Faculty (Continued)

Wade Cutler, Faculty Specialist I-Lecturer, School of Communication, effective August 19, 2013 through August 17, 2014.

Peter Distelzweig, Instructor, Department of Philosophy, effective August, 19, 2013 through August 17, 2014.

Dyanne Foskey, Faculty Specialist II-Language Specialist, Center for English Language and Culture, effective August 19, 2013 through August 17, 2014.

Brian Fuller, Faculty Specialist II-Counseling Specialist, Counseling Services Department, Sindecuse Health Center, effective July 1, 2013 through June 30, 2014.

Daniel Gaymer, Faculty Specialist I-Lecturer, Department of Educational Leadership, Research and Technology, effective August 19, 2013 through August 17, 2014.

Laura Hastings, Assistant Professor, Department of Political Science, effective December 23, 2013 through December 21, 2014.

Ramona Lewis, Assistant Professor, Department of Educational Leadership, Research and Technology, effective August 19, 2013 through August 17, 2014.

Nicholas Margelis, Faculty Specialist I-Language Specialist, Center for English Language and Culture, effective August 19, 2013 through August 17, 2014.

Dan Renstrom, Instructor, School of Social Work, effective August 19, 2013 through August 17, 2014.

Deanna Roland, Faculty Specialist I-Professional Specialist, Department of Special Education and Literacy Studies, effective July 1, 2013 through June 30, 2014.

Julie Ryan, Faculty Specialist I-Lecturer, Department of Biological Sciences, effective August 19, 2013 through August 17, 2014.

Benedikt Schorner, Faculty Specialist I-Language Specialist, Center for English Language and Culture, effective August 19, 2013 through August 17, 2014.

Marian Tripplett, Faculty Specialist I-Professional Specialist, School of Social Work, effective June 24, 2013 through June 30, 2014.

Melissa Villarreal, Faculty Specialist I-Professional Specialist, School of Interdisciplinary Health Programs, effective June 24, 2013 through June 30, 2014.

Grant/Contract

James Laser, Instructor, Department of Mathematics, effective September 1, 2013 through August 31, 2014.

Change of Department Affiliation

Susan Caulfield, from the Department of Sociology to the School of Interdisciplinary Health Programs, effective August 19, 2013.

Glinda Rawls, Associate Professor, from the School of Interdisciplinary Health Programs to the Department of Counselor Education and Counseling Psychology, effective August 25, 2013.

Promotions

Jesse Smith, Assistant Professor, Department of Sociology, effective August 19, 2013.

Resignations

Robert Anemone, Professor, Department of Anthropology, effective August 18, 2013.

Appointments - Adjunct

Felix Esquibel, Adjunct Assistant Professor, Department of Aviation Sciences, effective September 1, 2013 through August 31, 2016.

Decker Hains, Adjunct Assistant Professor, Department of Civil and Construction Engineering, September 1, 2013 through August 31, 2016.

Michael Liepman, Adjunct Professor, Department of Physician Assistant, effective September 1, 2013 through August 31, 2016.

Karl Ogilvie, Adjunct Assistant Professor, Department of Physician Assistant, effective September 1, 2013 through August 31, 2016.

NON-ACADEMIC

Retirements

Carey Baker, Jr., Groundskeeper II, Facilities Management-Landscape Services, effective July 31, 2013.

Ruth Wagenaar, Custodian, Facilities Management-Custodial and Support, effective July 12, 2013.