

**MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE
BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF
EASTERN ILLINOIS UNIVERSITY
CHARLESTON, ILLINOIS**

March 11, 2011

A meeting of the Board of Trustees was convened on March 11, 2011, at 1:00 p.m. in the Grand Ballroom of the Martin Luther King, Jr., University Union, Eastern Illinois University, Charleston, Illinois. Dr. Robert Webb, Vice Chair, presided.

Roll Call

Roll was called:

Ms. Anderson	Present
Mr. Kratochvil	Present
Ms. Nimmons	Present
Mr. O'Rourke	Present
Dr. Webb	Present
Mr. Welch	Not Present
Mr. Yost	Present

Also present were the following:

Dr. William L. Perry, President
Dr. Blair Lord, Provost and Vice President for Academic Affairs
Dr. William Weber, Vice President for Business Affairs
Dr. Dan Nadler, Vice President for Student Affairs
Mr. Robert Martin, Vice President for University Advancement
Mr. Rob Miller, General Counsel
Ms. Cynthia Nichols, Director of Civil Rights and Diversity
Ms. Judy Gorrell, Executive Secretary to the President and Assistant Secretary, Board of Trustees
Mr. Brad Ingram, Board Counsel
Mr. Paul McCann, Treasurer, Board of Trustees

Action Items

1. Mr. Kratochvil moved to approve the minutes of the Board Meetings on January 14, 2011 and on February 23, 2011. Ms. Nimmons seconded the motion.

Roll was called and the vote was as follows:

Ms. Anderson	Yes
Mr. Kratochvil	Yes
Ms. Nimmons	Yes
Mr. O'Rourke	Yes
Dr. Webb	Yes
Mr. Yost	Yes

Motion carried.

2. Mr. Kratochvil moved to approve the naming of the building at 975 Edgar Drive as the "Dr. Louis M. Grado Building." The building houses the Textbook Rental Service at EIU. Dr. Louis M. Grado exemplified service to humanity, exhibited excellence in university leadership and was critical to the development of teacher training in the field of Elementary Education at Eastern Illinois University, strengthening and sustaining the quality of this keystone program of the college. Mr. O'Rourke seconded the motion.

Roll was called and the vote was as follows:

Ms. Anderson	Yes
Mr. Kratochvil	Yes
Ms. Nimmons	Yes
Mr. O'Rourke	Yes
Dr. Webb	Yes
Mr. Yost	Yes

Motion carried.

Information Items

President's Report

Dr. Perry mentioned the Athletic Department's certification by the National Collegiate Athletic Association. He also thanked all those who were a part of the steering committee and sub-committees, as well as individuals who provided support for the self-study and subsequent reporting process. Dr. Perry then asked Dr. Weber to provide an update on fiscal year 2011. Dr. Weber reported that the current budget puts a heavier burden on students, in the form of tuition, as compared to the budget ten years ago. He shared that the income fund has grown due to tuition increases and growth in enrollment. This growth has been enough to cover the cost of inflation, help offset the decline in state funding, and help fund a few initiatives that promote excellence at EIU. Dr. Weber also mentioned current legislative priorities, which include pursuing outcomes based funding, pursuing a pilot program to increase revenues by using targeted partial tuition waivers, and pursuing increased autonomy from the state.

Report from Board Chair

Dr. Webb mentioned several books that have been published within the last year, which have been critical of higher education. He also mentioned an article written by Peter Brooks, a Yale professor, who feels the research for these books is flawed, and their observations short on reasoning.

Committee Reports

Executive Committee – Dr. Webb reported that the committee discussed tuition and athletics, and reviewed the report that Dr. Perry made to the Senate Appropriations Committee.

Board Relations – Ms. Nimmons shared information on a presentation from University Marketing & Communications, which is looking at the impact of social media and the use of more electronic media to reach current and prospective students. Ms. Nimmons also reported on Alumni activities, and gave a brief update on the Campaign for EIU. To date the campaign has raised 42.7 million dollars, which is 85.4% of the goal of 50 million dollars. She also mentioned a number of regional campaign kickoff events that are scheduled in the coming months.

Finance/Audit Committee – Dr. Webb mentioned an internal audit charter that will be presented to the Board at the April meeting, and also a review of some recommendations concerning an external audit.

Academic & Student Affairs Committee – Ms. Nimmons reported that the committee received information on the Illinois certification testing system. The committee also had a report on EIU military veterans and several upcoming projects in support thereof. Ms. Nimmons shared the job placement rate of the graduating class of 2009, which is 77% within the first five months after graduation.

Board Regulations – No report.

Report from Annuitants

Dr. Jayne Ozier, President of the EIU Annuitants Association, provided a report to the Board. She shared that their January chapter meeting was also a celebration of the Annuitants Association 40th anniversary. At this meeting, Dale Wolf was presented with the annual Annuitants Ambassador award, and Kaylee Babbs-Hackney received a \$500 scholarship. Dr. Ozier also mentioned the association's membership goal of 750. The current membership is 728.

Summary of Purchases \$100,000 - \$249,999

<u>Vendor</u>	<u>Type of Purchase</u>	<u>Bids</u>	<u>Amount</u>
BLDD Architects	Design services to renovate the former Textbook Rental area in Pemberton Hall.	1*	\$233,750

*Vendor selection made in accordance with the Qualifications Based Selection (QBS) Act.

Deposit and Investment Report

For the quarter ending December 31, 2010 the University had an average daily invested balance of \$64,103,982.63, and a net average daily balance of \$61,698,687.37. The annualized average yield was .15%.

University Highlights

Dr. Perry mentioned the fact that Eastern was named a Tree Campus USA campus. He also shared information on the National Conference on Undergraduate Research, where EIU was in the top 5% in number of presentations. Also mentioned was the fact that EIU alum and 1972 Olympian John Craft's track & field jersey was retired by the Athletics department, and the spring invitational was renamed the John Craft Invitational meet.

Adjournment

Mr. Kratochvil moved to adjourn the meeting. Ms. Nimmons seconded the motion.

Roll was called and the vote was as follows:

Ms. Anderson	Yes
Mr. Kratochvil	Yes
Ms. Nimmons	Yes
Mr. O'Rourke	Yes
Dr. Webb	Yes
Mr. Yost	Yes

Motion carried.