

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

January 20, 2023

A meeting of the Board of Trustees was convened on January 20, 2023 at 11:30 a.m. in the Grand Ballroom, Martin Luther King Jr. University Union, Eastern Illinois University, Charleston, Illinois. Ms. Joyce Madigan, Chair, presided.

Roll Call

Roll was called:

Ms. Baurer	Present
Mr. Dively	Absent
Ms. Edwards	Present
Mr. Hicks	Present
Ms. Madigan	Present
Mr. Mellott	Present

Also present were the following:

Dr. David Glassman, President
Dr. Jay Gatrell, Provost and Vice President for Academic Affairs
Mr. Matt Bierman, Vice President for Business Affairs
Dr. Anne Flaherty, Vice President for Student Affairs
Dr. Ken Wetstein, Vice President of University Advancement and Foundation Executive Officer
Mr. Paul McCann, Director of Business Services and Treasurer
Ms. Laura McLaughlin, General Counsel
Ms. Judy Gorrell, Executive Secretary to the President and Assistant Secretary, Board of Trustees

Executive Session

Mr. Mellott moved that the Board of Trustees convene into Executive Session to consider employment of employees, as permitted by Section 2.C.1 of the Open Meetings Act and collective negotiating matters, as permitted by Section 2.C.2 of the Open Meetings Act. Ms. Edwards seconded the motion. By unanimous vote, motion carried.

Ms. Baurer moved to return to Open Session. Ms. Edwards seconded the motion. By unanimous vote, motion carried.

Information Items

Report from Board Chair

Chair Madigan welcomed the trustees and all others to the Board meeting. Chair Madigan recognized Ms. Laura McLaughlin for all of the guidance and expertise provided to the Board. Thank you and Good Luck!

Committee Reports

Executive/Planning Committee

Ms. Madigan reported on the Presidential Search. Three of the four presidential candidates have been on campus, and the remaining candidate will be on campus next Monday. A special Board meeting is scheduled for January 28 so the Board members can interview each candidate.

Dr. Glassman reported that IBHE met in person for the first time since COVID. There will be additional \$50,000 for MAP, and AIM High will remain the same as last year. The Campus Mental Health Act will allow each institution to get 1/3 of their request. For FY23, EIU will get \$135,000. The Assault Weapons Bill – University police can be off duty and have assault weapons. The Reproductive Life Bill – no vending machines.

Josh Norman presented an Enrollment Management update. The 10th day enrollment is up 4.7%. FA23 deposits for freshmen are up 42%. Josh reported that on Veterans Day we had 900+ visitors on campus, in December we had 183 visitors, and visit days are scheduled for the end of January.

There was some discussion about the EIU/SBL Student Medical Center Agreement that is on the agenda this afternoon as an action item. VP Flaherty will handle the operations of the agreement for EIU and VP Bierman will handle the monetary aspect of the agreement.

Finance and Audit Committee

Ms. Baurer reported that VP Bierman introduced Ms. Megan Wells, the new Director of Procurement, Disbursements and Contract Services. Mr. McCann discussed the FY23 Line Item Status Report. The Board increased the emergency purchase of fuel. The Life Science Building is complete. There are three options for Tunnel repairs, costing 19-22M. VP Bierman will have a follow-up meeting with CDB. He also provided an update on the new Science Building.

Board Regulations – No report

Academic and Student Affairs Committee

Dr. Jay Gatrell reported that there are seventeen members on the Strategic Plan Task Force with four areas. At least two town hall events will be scheduled this spring to obtain feedback. The campus will also be able to provide written feedback through the strategic planning website.

Dr. Gatrell discussed the University Foundations. The role of University Foundations is to prepare students for life on campus – Athletics, Freshman Connection, and Gateway. The University Foundations class teaches students to live independently, find University resources, make connections with other students and faculty and time management.

Dr. Flaherty reported on Mental Health and the different levels and types of help available to students. She shared the number of counselors in the Counseling Center and the number of contacts.

University Advancement and Alumni Relations Committee

VPUA Wetstein provided an update on the number of donors and the amount of gifts received in FY23 through 12/31/22. Donor count is an area of concern (down 15% over prior year), but gifts of more than \$2.8 million puts us on track to again receipt more than \$4 million by the end of the fiscal year.

He then shared updates from Alumni Services area. Topics discussed included:

- A review of upcoming Alumni regional events in Chicago, Arizona, Florida, and Texas;
- An update on the Oral History project underway with EIU's Alumni;
- A description of some of the department's Annual Fund direct mail initiatives; and
- An announcement of the upcoming Commencement exercises and selected speakers.

Next, VPUA Wetstein shared a report from the EIU Foundation, including information on the Foundation's annual due diligence visit with the endowment manager and the Foundation Board's desire to engage in the process of selecting a consultant for the anticipated comprehensive campaign.

Lastly, VPUA Wetstein introduced the nominee for an honorary degree: President Emeritus Louis Hencken.

Action Items

- A. Ms. Baurer moved to approve the minutes of the November 11, 2022 meeting. Mr. Hicks seconded the motion. By unanimous vote, motion carried.
- B. Ms. Edwards moved to approve the Contract Renewal and Successor Agreement for the General Teamsters Local Union 26. A tentative agreement was reached between the parties on November 21, 2022 to renew a successor contract for 3 years, and the agreement was ratified on January 4, 2023. The agreement is effective July 1, 2022 through June 30, 2025, at a cost of \$35,314.50 over the life of the agreement. Mr. Hicks seconded the motion.

Roll was called and the vote was as follows:

Ms. Baurer	Yes
Ms. Edwards	Yes
Mr. Hicks	Yes
Ms. Madigan	Yes
Mr. Mellott	Yes

Motion carried.

- C. Mr. Hicks moved to approve the Sarah Bush Lincoln Contract to enter into a professional service agreement to provide medical health services to EIU students to include primary care and select pharmacy, laboratory, and radiology services for the term of May 22, 2023 – June 30, 2026. The fund source is Local funds and the cost is an annual base fee of \$980,000 plus reimbursement for point of service charges billed to students for Pharmacy, Radiology, and Laboratory Services. Ms. Baurer seconded the motion.

Roll was called and the vote was as follows:

Ms. Baurer Yes
Ms. Edwards Yes
Mr. Hicks Yes
Ms. Madigan Yes
Mr. Mellott Yes

Motion carried.

- D. Ms. Baurer moved that the Board approve Emeritus designation for Dr. David Glassman. Ms. Edwards seconded the motion. By unanimous vote, motion carried.
- E. Ms. Baurer moved that the Board accept and approve the memo from the Provost to Dr. Glassman regarding his initial assignment in faculty. No further approval is needed for any subsequent assignments. Mr. Hicks seconded the motion.

Roll was called and the vote was as follows:

Ms. Baurer Yes
Ms. Edwards Yes
Mr. Hicks Yes
Ms. Madigan Yes
Mr. Mellott Yes

Motion carried.

- F. Mr. Hicks moved that the Board award an Honorary Degree of Doctor of Public Service to Louis V. Hencken. Ms. Edwards seconded the motion. By unanimous vote, motion carried.

Information Items (continued)

President's Report

Panther Portal --Mr. Nate Atkinson and Mr. Brian Barthold gave a presentation on the Panther Portal which was developed as a student portal focused on equipping faculty and staff to better meet the needs of prospective students. The Panther Portal will provide new ways to communicate with prospective students including SMS and via personal email and all communication will be logged as a digest to provide context to supporting faculty and staff. The first iteration of the Panther Portal will be heavily

focused on advising and student support, but future iterations will include more student-facing resources as well.

Living Learning Communities LLC – VP Flaherty gave a presentation on LLC. The undergraduate experience here at EIU begins with positive outcomes with connections with other students, meeting faculty outside of the classroom, specialized guidance on academic and career planning, and service-learning programs and opportunities. The first-year students can gain a solid foundation as they begin their academic careers. The freshman connection program pairs incoming students with returning Panthers who lived here and can provide support for them. The transfer students are provided with opportunities to connect with others, as well. There are different housing options available on campus that includes Gender Inclusive housing that is an inclusive community designed to create a comfortable and supportive environment for all students. Roosevelt leadership institute is for residents in Pemberton Hall to dedicate women toward navigating the world through women’s perspectives. Students interested in the field of Health and Human Services can choose to live in this community that supports their similar career. Honor students can live in the Pine Honors College LLC, with students from diverse majors and backgrounds and integrate experiences into the world we live in.

Three students, Lili Duren-Monteo, Kenda Tillis, and Clarence Carmody shared their experiences living in LLC.

Reports from Constituencies

Faculty Senate – Mr. Todd Bruns reported that faculty are very involved with the search process for the next EIU President by attending the open sessions, both in person and via Zoom.

Guest speakers at Faculty Senate include Ryan Gibson, ITS Director, on January 24; Chief Marisol Gamboa on February 7; VPUA Wetstein on February 21; Tim Zimmer, Director of Facilities on March 7; and Tom Michael, Athletic Director, on April 4.

The EIU Think Tank is at work, looking at issues involving the domestic student demographic drop off and potential methods of ramping up international student recruitment/enrollment. Other issues this spring: Faculty Forum, academic dishonesty, GenEd requirements, number of classes student athletes are missing.

Staff Senate – No report

Student Government – Ms. Ade reported on the recent activities of Student Government, and shared the various activities scheduled for spring semester.

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

<u>Vendor</u>	<u>Type of Purchase</u>	<u>Bids</u>	<u>Amount</u>
Springfield Electric Supply Co.	Emergency Power Transfer Switch	(A)	\$142,378.00

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FY 2023 Deposit and Investment Report For the quarter ending December 31, 2022, the University had an average daily invested cash balance of \$89,953,117.21 and a net average daily balance of

\$88,874,405.15. The annualized average yield was 3.55 percent. The market value of the university's endowment portfolio as of December 31, 2022 was \$8,192,598.67. The portfolio had a 8.5 percent return for the quarter. In addition, the university's Buckler Farm had a total market value of \$3,949,634.30 as of December 31, 2022.

Financial Aid Programs Report

More than sixty percent of Eastern's student body received some type of financial assistance in FY 2022 in the form of loans, scholarships, grants, tuition waivers, and/or employment from various federal, state, and university programs. Financial aid in FY 2022 totaled \$89,523,594 at Eastern; 50 percent came from federal sources, 12 percent from the State, 29 percent from institutional sources, and 8 percent from other sources.

University Highlights

University Highlights were provided as well as spotlight events around campus, student/faculty/staff/alumni honors and achievements, athletic events and honors.

Other Matters – None

Public Comment – None

Adjournment – The meeting was adjourned.