

**WASHBURN UNIVERSITY OF TOPEKA
BOARD OF REGENTS
MINUTES
December 7, 2012**

I. Call to Order

Chairperson Klausman called the meeting to order at 3:04 p.m. in the Kansas Room of the Memorial Union on the Washburn University campus.

II. Roll Call

Present were: Mr. Bunten, Mr. Klausman, Mr. Lykins, Mr. McGivern, Mrs. Parks, Mrs. Sourk, and Mrs. Trusdale.

III. Approval of Minutes of the November 8, 2012 meeting

It was moved and seconded to approve the Minutes of the November 8, 2012 meeting. Motion passed.

IV. Officer Reports

A. Chair's Report

There was no Chair's Report.

B. President's Report

President Farley reported the University Holiday Party will take place 3:00 p.m.–5:00 p.m. Thursday, December 13th in the Memorial Union and invited Board members to attend. He said Sunday the 9th of December the holiday Vespers program will be in White Concert Hall at 4:00 p.m. and noted the program was recorded and broadcast last year by KTWU and was awarded an Emmy. Dr. Farley said the Washburn University School of Nursing was awarded a two-year grant from the U.S. Department of Health and Human Service's Health Resources and Services Administration for Advanced Education Nursing Traineeship, referred to as the AENT grant, to coincide with implementation of the Affordable Care Act.

President Farley reported Anita Wolgast, formerly the designer for the official state ornament selected for the National Christmas Tree display in President's Park in Washington D.C., came out of retirement to design the official Kansas ornament for 2012 which recognizes Washburn University's sesquicentennial anniversary.

President Farley announced thirty-four Washburn students were selected and inducted into the national honorary society Phi Kappa Phi. He said the ceremony was held at the President's house and that a banquet will be held for the inductees in the spring.

Dr. Farley announced Fall Commencement will take place on December 14, 2012 and invited all to attend. Additionally, Dr. Farley reported Washburn's official photographer, Ms. Peggy Clark collaborated with a videographer to make a short video of Washburn's history titled "Genesis of a College: A Legacy of Kansas Idealism."

In addition, the President mentioned the Women's volleyball team ended the season 31-4 and played in the NCAA regional tournament and Jessica Fey was named All-American for the second time in a row.

C. Committee Reports

There were no committee reports.

D. Treasurer's Report

1. Liquidated Claims Approval – October 2012

Vice President for Administration and Treasurer, Rick Anderson, presented the liquidated claims report. Motion was made and seconded to approve. Motion passed.

V. New Business

A. Consent Agenda

It was moved and seconded to approve the Consent Agenda.
As approved by action of the Board:

1. Personnel

a. Faculty/Staff Personnel Actions

Hire Barbara Scofield, Professor of Accounting beginning Fall 2013 at an annual salary of \$135,000; hire Nora Derrington, Lecturer of English for Spring 2013 only at a salary of \$17,000; grant unpaid leave of absence to Tracy Routsong, Chair/Associate Professor Communication for Spring 2013; add additional duties as Interim Chair of Communication to Kathleen Menzie beginning January 1, 2013 at a new annual salary of \$73,152; and

b. Eminentes Universitatis

Award the designation Eminentes Universitatis to Mr. Lynn Bailey, Ms. Connie Foltz and Ms. Sandra Kidd.

2. Renewal and Extension of Topeka Neighborhood Revitalization Plan

Become a signatory to a new and extended Interlocal Agreement reauthorizing and extending the Topeka Neighborhood Revitalization Plan through 2017.

B. Actions Items

1. Washburn Learning Management System

Vice President for Administration and Treasurer, Rick Anderson, presented the item. He explained faculty and staff had input into the process of selecting a new vendor after the Angel system was purchased by Blackboard. Motion was made and seconded to approve the recommendation to purchase a license for Desire2Learn. Motion passed.

2. Master of Accountancy (MAcc) Degree Program

Vice President for Academic Affairs, Randy Pembroke, presented the item stating the new degree program would give students seeking to major in business an option to take 30 additional hours of concentration in accounting toward the MAcc degree.

3. Post-Master's Family Psychiatric/Mental Health Nurse Practitioner Certificate Program

Vice President for Academic Affairs, Randy Pembroke, presented the item stating the 20-24 hour program will allow a student in nursing at the graduate level to obtain this additional certificate. He said there was very strong support from faculty in the School of Nursing and also the Allied Health and Human Services departments.

4. WU101, IS100 or HN101 as a Graduation Requirement

Vice President for Academic Affairs, Randy Pembroke, presented the item and explained the needs of first year students and the need for the different course options to be required as part of the first year experience. He stated the data from the pilot project indicates retention from first year to second year is significantly higher for those taking the class. Dr. Pembroke explained transfer students with 24 or more hours of prior successful completion in higher education may be exempted from course. He said the recommendation is to require one of the courses within the first year.

5. Removal of KN198 Lifetime Wellness as a University graduation Requirement

Vice President for Academic Affairs, Randy Pembroke, presented the item and stated the Lifetime Wellness class has functioned well but the recommendation is to make the course an elective and offer the new KN298 course for general education credit in the social sciences so students could access a more in-depth and critical analysis of wellness through the new course if desired.

6. School of Applied Studies Associates (SAS) degree offerings in conjunction with Washburn Institute of Technology

Vice President for Academic Affairs, Randy Pembroke, presented the item explaining that historically the School of Applied Studies has worked with Washburn Institute of Technology to assist students in completing the Associate of Applied Science degree with general education courses being offered through the School of Applied Studies. He said the offerings of certain required general education courses will now be offered at the Washburn Institute of Technology location and all associate degrees offered within the School of Applied Studies will be Associate of Arts or Associate of Science degrees.

Chairperson Klausman presented all five academic items presented by Dr. Pembroke to the Board for a vote. Regent Parks moved to approve the five recommendations by Dr. Pembroke as a whole. The motion was seconded. Motion passed.

7. Digital Marketing and Website Redesign Services

Dr. Cindy Hornberger, Special Assistant to the President, presented the item. She said the positive experience with BarkleyREI, as vendor for the Washburn University website redesign project, has led to a requested continuation of the digital marketing and website redesign services project for Washburn Institute of Technology through BarkleyREI for consistency and uniformity of design, the scope being essentially the same for Washburn Institute of Technology as it was for the Washburn main campus. Clark Coco, Dean of the Washburn Institute of Technology, stated it was an important project in moving Washburn Institute of Technology forward.

Regent Lykins inquired as to whether other Kansas schools use BarkleyREI to which Dr. Hornberger answered not to her knowledge.

Motion was made and seconded to approve. Motion passed.

C. Information Item(s)

1. Report of Purchases between \$25,001 and \$50,000

Chairperson Klausman announced Vice President for Administration and Treasurer, Rick Anderson, was available for questions on this item. There were no questions.

Mr. Sneed arrived at 3:24 p.m.

2. Campus Master Plan

Vice President for Administration and Treasurer, Rick Anderson, discussed briefly the process for the Campus Master Plan, stating more detail would be brought back to the Board in the future. He reported the project is approaching its second phase which is concept analysis. Mr. Anderson noted Mr. Sneed is

on the Master Plan committee and they are moving their way through the process. He reported the last phase will include discussions on what the campus will look like in 10 -20 years. Mr. Anderson said outcomes and deliverables were discussed at the meeting and how land use, building use and re-use, and how Washburn fits into the greater Topeka community will be reviewed to align with the Master Plan. He said he hoped to schedule a meeting with the Board before the January board meeting to engage the Board in more discussions about the details and specifics of the plan.

Chairperson Klausman asked Mr. Sneed for his perspective. Regent Sneed indicated the project was going well and that there had been input given by many different groups of people. Mr. Sneed described three concepts currently being developed for review and said the committee will look at it closer and provide options at a future board meeting.

3. School of Nursing Presentation

Dr. Monica Scheibmeir, Dean of the School of Nursing, gave a presentation on the School of Nursing. The presentation included discussion of the mission, current enrollment, dual degree options, and school and national trends.

Dr. Scheibmeir reported on new programs, the new curriculum for the Bachelor of Science in Nursing degree, University-Community partnerships with use of a mobile health unit in which the school is able to assist in providing primary care to underserved communities. She also discussed collaboration with the Mission Valley School to offer health examinations and immunizations to students in need. She also noted the collaboration with the University healthcare needs with the appointment of Dr. Shirley Dinkel as Director of Student Health Services. Another highlight of the past year in the School of Nursing presented by Dr. Scheibmeir was the announcement of an Advanced Education Nursing Traineeship Program Grant through the U. S. Department of Health and Human Services Health Resources and Services Administration. She said this award will fund the Washburn University Nurse Traineeship Program.

Mr. Lykins commented the public and legislature should know what Washburn is doing with the school districts so they know the need that exists and how much more assistance is needed.

Mr. Storey arrived as 4:00 p.m.

The meeting adjourned 4:07 p.m.

/s/

Lisa R. Jones
Secretary, Board of Regents