

WASHBURN UNIVERSITY OF TOPEKA
BOARD OF REGENTS
MINUTES
July 24, 2019

I. Call to Order

Chairperson Hoferer called the meeting to order at 4:00 p.m. in the Kansas Room of the Memorial Union on the Washburn University campus.

II. Roll Call

Present were: Mr. Beck, Mayor De La Isla, Mr. Hoferer, Mr. McGivern, *Mrs. Parks, Mrs. Sourk (at 4:06) and Mrs. Van Etten. Regents Klausman, De La Isla and Buehler were not present, having indicated in advance they would not be present.

* Participated via telephone conference call

III. FY 2020 Public Budget

The Board Chair opened the public hearing. The public hearing is now open. The Board Secretary advised that no one signed up to speak. The Board Chair asked if anyone wished to speak. No one indicated they wanted to speak. The Board Chair declared the public hearing closed. It was moved by Regent Hoferer and seconded by Regent Parks to approve the public budget. Motion passed unanimously.

IV. Approval of Minutes of the June 26, 2019 meeting

Regent Hoferer asked if there were any requested changes to the minutes. There were no changes requested. It was moved by Regent Hoferer and seconded by Regent Beck to approve the Minutes of the June 26, 2019 meeting. Motion passed unanimously.

V. Officer Reports

A. Chair's Report

Regent Hoferer noted that the University is entering a new fiscal year and will be facing some challenges related to budget and other issues. The University needs to address enrollment, and if that cannot be increased, then we need to hold steady on expenses to reduce the need to increase tuition or cut staff. Regent Hoferer invited staff and faculty to help in this regard, noting the excellent work already being performed by the faculty and staff.

Chairman Hoferer noted that the new board member, Shelly Buhler, is not present because she is on a trip with Hayden High School. He is looking forward to having her join us.

Regent Hoferer announced that Washburn was notified that Regent Beck has been reappointed by the Shawnee County Commission.

Regent Hoferer noted that there is new construction on the south end of campus, for the new indoor athletic facility, and it will create much attention for the University.

Regent Sourk arrived.

Chairman Hoferer presented his slate of appointments to the various board committees for the 2019-2020 year. Those appointments are as follows:

Budget/Finance Committee: Regents Klausman (Chair), Beck, Buhler, and Parks;

Audit Committee: Regents Parks (Chair), De La Isla, McGivern and Sourk;

Presidential Assessment Committee: Regents Beck (Chair), McGivern, Sourk and Van Etten;

Nominating Committee: Regents McGivern (Chair), Beck, Parks and Van Etten.

* The Board Chair serves on all committees in an ex-officio capacity.

It was moved by Regent Hoferer and seconded by Regent Van Etten to approve the committee appointments. Motion passed unanimously.

B. President's Report

President Farley stated that the Sunflower State Games were going on and Washburn is a sponsor of the event. This year, over 7,000 people hours put in to make the event happen. Information indicates that the games create a capital infusion of over \$20,000 in Topeka area.

VI. New Business

A. Consent Agenda

It was moved by Regent Sourk and seconded by Regent Parks to approve the Consent Agenda. Motion passed unanimously.

As approved by action of the Board:

- 1. Liquidated Claims Approval – May 2019**
- 2. Liquidated Claims Approval – June 2019**
- 3. Proposed Washburn University Board of Regents' Meeting Dates for 2019-2020**

Meeting dates for the Washburn University Board of Regents for 2019-2020.

B. Action Items

1. Contracted Services with Pinegar, Smith & Associates, Inc.

President Farley presented the item. Dr. Farley stated that Washburn engages a lobbyist to work for the University in the State legislature and in Washington DC. Pinegar, Smith & Associates has done this work for a number of years for the University. It was moved by Regent Beck and seconded by Regent McGivern to approve the contract with Pinegar, Smith & Associates. Motion passed unanimously.

2. Expenditures over \$50,000

a. Computer System Purchases

Vice President for Administration and Treasurer Jim Martin presented the item. Mr. Martin stated that this item appears at this time every year. These purchases are to refresh the computers for Washburn Tech. It was moved by Regent Parks and seconded by Regent Sourk to approve the purchases of computers. Motion passed unanimously.

b. Memorial Union 1st Floor A & B Audio Visual Upgrade Project #900200

This item was removed at the request of the administration.

Chairman Hoferer asked if there was any other business.

No other business was offered, and the Regent Hoferer declared meeting adjourned at 4:11 p.m.

/s/

Marc Fried
Secretary, Board of Regents