Board of Trustees Meeting


Trustee Wishcamper, Chair, called the meeting to order and welcomed everyone and wished

Citizen Comment. Citizen Comment is a time regularly set aside for comments from the public. The following individuals spoke during the Citizen Comment period:

- Kerri Sullivan – Issues of processing of merit based pay for UMPSA employees on the campuses
- Jim McClymer – eLearning and deferred maintenance on the UMS human capital
- Ron Mosley – Sustainable faculty and change in Board Policy 301

Acceptance of Minutes. On a motion by Trustee Johnson, which was seconded by Trustee Newell, the minutes from the following meetings were unanimously approved as presented:

- September 30, 2010 – Investment Committee Meeting
- November 14-15, 2010 - Board of Trustees Meeting and Board Committee Meetings
- December 7, 2010 – Human Resources & Labor Relations Committee Meeting
- December 8, 2010 – Human Resources & Labor Relations Committee Meeting
- December 14, 2010 – Technology Committee Meeting

Chair’s Report. Trustee Wishcamper thanked everyone for an excellent meeting and particularly appreciated the reports that were presented on Technology, Information Technology Security and Capital Facilities Renewal Analysis.

Chancellor’s Report. Chancellor Pattenaude commented that the UMS is working hard to secure support for higher education from the State because higher education is economic development.

Committee Reports/Action.

Academic & Student Affairs Committee – Trustees Hood & Johnson reported that the Committee agreed to forward to the Consent Agenda the following items: UM Program Proposal: Ph.D. in Anthropology and Environmental Policy, UMF Program Proposal: Master of Science in Education – Early Childhood, and Change in Board of Trustees Policy 301: Mission and Strategic Plan
Policy. The Committee discussed the Academic Year Calendars and the University College (Distance Education) Business Plan.

Finance/Facilities Committee - Trustee Fournier reported that the Committee agreed to forward to the Consent Agenda the following items: Energy Upgrades in Bailey Hall – USM; Energy Upgrades in the Science Building – USM; and Energy Upgrades in Luther Bonney Hall – USM. The Committee also received a Financial Update and a Capital Facilities Renewal Analysis.

Human Resources and Labor Relations Committee - Trustee Medd reported that the Committee met on December 7 & 8 to discuss Presidential reviews.

Investment Committee – Trustee Fournier reported that the Committee met on December 1 and December 13. The Committee interviewed two Hedge Fund managers. The Committee approved the hiring of Blenheim Capital Management, LLC as a Hedge Fund Manager. The Committee received performance updates on the Pension, Managed Investment Fund, and Operating Cash Fund.

Technology Committee – Trustee McCarthy reported that the Committee met on December 14th to review two possible providers for a common Portal. The Committee recommend to proceed with CampusEAI which it sent to the Consent Agenda for this Board meeting. The Committee also reviewed the UMS Information Security needs to develop a draft Policy.

Consent Agenda. On a motion by Trustee Fournier, which was seconded by Trustee Newell, the following recommendations were unanimously approved by the Board:

Honorary Degree Nominations for 2012. The Board of Trustees approved the 2012 nominations for Honorary Degrees, as amended.

UM Program Proposal: Ph.D. in Anthropology and Environmental Policy. The Board of Trustees approved the creation of a Ph.D. in Anthropology and Environmental Policy at the University of Maine.

UMF Program Proposal: Master of Science in Education – Early Childhood. The Board of Trustees approved the creation of a Master of Science in Education – Early Childhood at the University of Maine at Farmington.

Change of Board of Trustees Policy 301: Mission and Strategic Plan Policy. The Board of Trustees approved the changes to the Board Policy 301: Mission and Strategic Plan Policy.

Energy Upgrades in Bailey Hall – USM. The Board of Trustees authorized the University of Southern Maine to expend $800,000 for renovation and renewal of Bailey Hall’s building systems to replace original building systems that are past their useful life in order to improve energy efficiency and enhance the learning environment.

Energy Upgrades in Science Building – USM. The Board of Trustees authorized the University of Southern Maine to expend $700,000 for the renovation and renewal of the Science Building to replace original building systems that are past their useful life in order to improve energy efficiency and enhance the learning environment.
Energy Upgrades in Luther Bonney Hall – USM. The Board of Trustees authorized the University of Southern Maine to expend $875,000 for renovation and renewal of Luther Bonney Hall’s building energy systems that are currently past their useful like in order to improve energy efficiency and enhance the learning environment.

The Committee of the Whole reviewed the following agenda item, as forwarded by the Information Technology Committee to the Consent Agenda from its meeting on December 14, 2010, and allowed it to remain on the Consent Agenda:

Information Technology Committee Recommendation of Portal Provider. Based upon extensive review and analysis of the business case presented, the Board of Trustees agreed with the Information Technology Committee recommendation of the selection of CampusEAI for development of portals for the Universities.

Information Items. The following items were included in the agenda for information only:
- Information Security Plan Update
- Academic Year Calendars
- University College (Distance Education) Draft Business Plan
- Financial Update
- Capital Facilities Renewal Analysis
- Annual Report on Degrees Conferred (2009-2010)
- Grants & Contracts Annual Report (FY2010)
- Dashboard Indicators
- Agenda Calendar

Date of Next Meeting. The next meeting of the Board of Trustees will be held on March 14, 2011, at the University of Maine at Augusta.

Adjournment.

Ellen Doughty for
J. Kelley Wiltbank, Clerk