

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

**February 3, 2015**

A meeting of the Board of Trustees was convened on February 3, 2015, at 11:45 a.m. in the Grand Ballroom of the Martin Luther King, Jr., University Union, Eastern Illinois University, Charleston, Illinois. Mr. Kristopher Goetz, Chair, presided.

**Roll Call**

Roll was called:

Mr. Dively	Present
Dr. Gilchrist	Present
Mr. Goetz	Present
Mr. Hutchinson	Present
Mr. Kratochvil	Present
Dr. Webb	Present

Also present were the following:

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

**Executive Session**

Mr. Hutchinson moved that the Board of Trustees convene into Executive Session to consider the employment of employees as permitted by Section 2.C.1 of the Open Meetings Act. Dr. Webb seconded the motion.

Roll was called and the vote was as follows:

Mr. Dively	Yes
Dr. Gilchrist	Yes
Mr. Hutchinson	Yes
Mr. Kratochvil	Yes
Dr. Webb	Yes

Mr. Goetz                      Yes

Motion carried.

Mr. Kratochvil moved to return to Open Session. Mr. Hutchinson seconded the motion.

Roll was called and the vote was as follows:

Mr. Dively	Yes
Dr. Gilchrist	Yes
Mr. Hutchinson	Yes
Mr. Kratochvil	Yes
Dr. Webb	Yes
Mr. Goetz	Yes

Motion carried.

## **Information Items**

### **Report from Board Chair**

Chair Goetz noted that this is a time of change, renewal, and hope as we find our next great leader, and he expressed the Board's genuine appreciation for the deep level of transparency and commitment displayed by those who participated in the search.

## **Committee Reports**

### **Executive/Planning Committee**

Chair Goetz reported that the Executive/Planning Committee received meaningful reports on student recruitment efforts from Dr. Mary Herrington-Perry and Mr. Chris Dearth. Admissions held an Admitted Student Event in Schaumburg, and it was well attended. The question was raised about planning similar events in other parts of the Chicago area. Student recruitment continues to be the top priority of the Board, and the Admissions team will provide a report at every meeting on this topic.

### **Board Relations Committee**

Mr. Kratochvil provided a report on upcoming Alumni and Development events, including receptions in Scottsdale, AZ and Naples, FL; EIU on The Price is Right; and a St. Louis Blues Game. He also shared that the mini scholarship campaign remains ahead of schedule, and mentioned the Legacy Celebration, which is scheduled for April 10. EIU's social media report shows that the most popular Facebook, Twitter, and Instagram posts are all regarding Jimmy Garoppolo.

**Finance/Audit Committee** – No report.

**Board Regulations** – No report.

### **Academic and Student Affairs Committee**

Mr. Hutchinson reported on several items that were discussed at this committee meeting. These include:

- Proposed Room and Board rate for FY16. Dr. Nadler shared the expense and income information that was used to develop these rates. The rate proposal originated with the Bond Revenue Committee, who proposed a 2% increase for FY16. This is one of the lowest proposed increases in nearly 40 years.
- Proposed Grant-in-Aid Fee for FY16. As was previously established by the Board of Governors, the grant-in-aid fee will change at the same rate as the room and board rate. Therefore, the proposed grant-in-aid fee increase is also 2%.
- Other Business. Dr. Nadler mentioned that the combined Fall 2014 GPA for student-athletes was 3.13. Fifty-nine student-athletes earned a perfect 4.0 GPA.

**Action Items**

1. Mr. Dively moved to approve the minutes of the Board Meeting on November 7, 2014. Mr. Hutchinson seconded the motion.

Roll was called and the vote was as follows:

Mr. Dively	Yes
Dr. Gilchrist	Yes
Mr. Hutchinson	Yes
Mr. Kratochvil	Yes
Dr. Webb	Yes
Mr. Goetz	Yes

Motion carried.

2. Dr. Webb moved to approve the minutes of the Board Meeting on December 19, 2014. Mr. Dively seconded the motion.

Roll was called and the vote was as follows:

Mr. Dively	Yes
Dr. Gilchrist	Yes
Mr. Hutchinson	Yes
Mr. Kratochvil	Yes
Dr. Webb	Yes
Mr. Goetz	Yes

Motion carried.

3. Mr. Kratochvil moved to approve Housing Rates for FY 16 for Residence Halls & Greek Court and for University Apartments. Mr. Hutchinson seconded the motion.

**HOUSING  
RATES**

**RESIDENCE HALLS & GREEK COURT- 2015-2016 Academic Year Rates (Effective Fall Semester 2015)  
Per semester rate based on double occupancy**

	<u>CURRENT</u>	<u>INCREASE</u>	<u>PROPOSED</u>	
7 Meal Plan Option 7 Dining Center Meals per Week plus \$200 Dining Dollars per Semester plus 2 Bonus Meals per Semester	\$4,150	\$83	\$4,233	(Rm \$2,963/Bd \$1,270)
10 Meal Plan Option 10 Dining Center Meals per Week plus \$60 Dining Dollars per Sem plus 3 Bonus Meals per Semester	\$4,335	\$87	\$4,422	(Rm \$2,963/Bd \$1,459)
12 Meal Plan Option 12 Dining Center Meals per Week plus \$100 Dining Dollars per Semester plus 4 Bonus Meals per Semester	\$4,498	\$90	\$4,588	(Rm \$2,963/Bd \$1,625)
15 Meal Plan Option 15 Dining Center Meals per Week plus \$140 Dining Dollars per Semester plus 5 Bonus Meals per Semester	\$4,679	\$94	\$4,773	(Rm \$2,963/Bd \$1,810)

The Meal Plan Option permits each student with a board plan to use a specified number of Dining Dollars for any of the following: 1) Purchases at the Food Court within the University Union; 2) Purchases at our two residence hall convenience centers; 3) Purchases at Panther Pantry and Java B&B in the University Union; 4) Meals for a guest in any Dining Center when accompanied by the student; 5) Additional meals for the student in any Dining Center. Bonus Meals allows the plan holder to use those meals for a guest or for themselves if they run out of meals.

<b>Adjusted Usage Charges</b>	<u>CURRENT</u>	<u>INCREASE</u>	<u>PROPOSED</u>
Double Room as Single (per Semester)	\$850	\$0	\$850
Triple Room as Double (per Semester)	\$450	\$0	\$450

<b>Summer Room and Board</b>	<u>CURRENT</u>	<u>INCREASE</u>	<u>PROPOSED</u>
2016 Summer - 4 week - Single Room	\$963	\$19	\$982
2016 Summer - 4 week - Double Room	\$770	\$15	\$785
2016 Summer - 6 week - Single Room	\$1,444	\$29	\$1,473
2016 Summer - 6 week - Double Room	\$1,154	\$23	\$1,177
2016 Summer - 8 week - Single Room	\$1,926	\$39	\$1,965
2016 Summer - 8 week - Double Room	\$1,537	\$31	\$1,568

NOTE: 12 Meal Plan Option is the only option offered during Summer Sessions

**UNIVERSITY APARTMENTS (Monthly rates will be effective August 15, 2015)**

<b><u>9.5 MONTHS:</u></b>	<b><u>CURRENT</u></b>	<b><u>INCREASE</u></b>	<b><u>PROPOSED</u></b>
1 1/2 Room Apartment	\$4,544	\$91	\$4,634
2 Room Apartment	\$4,780	\$96	\$4,876
Efficiency Apartment	\$4,252	\$85	\$4,338
<b><u>PER MONTH:</u></b>			
1 1/2 Room Apartment	\$478	\$10	\$488
2 Room Apartment	\$503	\$10	\$513
Efficiency Apartment	\$448	\$9	\$457

**UNIVERSITY COURT - 2015-2016 Academic Year Rates (Effective August 1, 2015)**  
**Per resident, per semester, based on double occupancy**

	<b><u>CURRENT</u></b>	<b><u>INCREASE</u></b>	<b><u>PROPOSED</u></b>
2 Bedroom, 1 Bath, No Balcony	\$2,547	\$51	\$2,598
2 Bedroom, 1 Bath, Balcony	\$2,702	\$54	\$2,756
2 Bedroom, 1 1/2 Bath, No Balcony	\$2,740	\$55	\$2,795
2 Bedroom, 1 1/2 Bath, Balcony	\$2,838	\$57	\$2,895
1 Bedroom, 1 Bath, No Balcony	\$2,943	\$59	\$3,002
Studio	\$2,412	\$48	\$2,460
3 Bedroom, 1 Bath	\$3,225	\$65	\$3,290

**Fall 2015 Semester Only Contracts**

2 Bedroom, 1 Bath, No Balcony	\$2,802	\$56	\$2,858
2 Bedroom, 1 Bath, Balcony	\$2,972	\$60	\$3,032
2 Bedroom, 1 1/2 Bath, No Balcony	\$3,014	\$60	\$3,074
2 Bedroom, 1 1/2 Bath, Balcony	\$3,122	\$62	\$3,184
1 Bedroom, 1 Bath, No Balcony	\$3,237	\$65	\$3,302
Studio	\$2,653	\$53	\$2,706
3 Bedroom, 1 Bath	\$3,548	\$70	\$3,618

**Summer 2016 (Effective May 2016)**

	<b>Monthly Rate</b>		
2 Bedroom, 1 Bath, No Balcony	\$480	\$10	\$490
2 Bedroom, 1 Bath, Balcony	\$513	\$10	\$523
2 Bedroom, 1 1/2 Bath, No Balcony	\$508	\$10	\$518
2 Bedroom, 1 1/2 Bath, Balcony	\$527	\$11	\$538
1 Bedroom, 1 Bath, No Balcony	\$480	\$10	\$490
Studio	\$481	\$10	\$491
3 Bedroom, 1 Bath	\$539	\$11	\$550

<b>Adjusted Usage Charges</b>	<b><u>CURRENT</u></b>	<b><u>INCREASE</u></b>	<b><u>PROPOSED</u></b>
Two Bedroom Apartment as Single	\$850	\$0	\$850

Roll was called and the vote was as follows:

Mr. Dively	Yes
Dr. Gilchrist	Yes
Mr. Hutchinson	Yes
Mr. Kratochvil	Yes
Dr. Webb	Yes
Mr. Goetz	Yes

Motion carried.

4. Mr. Kratochvil moved to approve the Grant-In-Aid Fee recommendation for FY 16. Dr. Webb seconded the motion.

FY16 Grant-In-Aid Fee Increase  
(Fall 2015, Spring 2016, Summer 2016)

	<u>Present</u>	<u>Proposed</u>	<u>Increase</u>
<u>Grant-In-Aid Fee</u>	\$15.15	\$15.45	\$.30

\*In 1982, the Board of Governors approved the indexing of the Grant-In-Aid fee equal to the increase in the approved room and board rates. For FY16 a rate of 2% is applied to the Grant-in-Aid Fee.

Roll was called and the vote was as follows:

Mr. Dively	Yes
Dr. Gilchrist	Yes
Mr. Hutchinson	Yes
Mr. Kratochvil	Yes
Dr. Webb	Yes
Mr. Goetz	Yes

Motion carried.

5. Mr. Dively moved to approve the naming of Lumpkin Hall Room 3015 in honor of Kenneth Taylor (1958). Dr. Webb seconded the motion.

Mr. and Mrs. James and Susan Pendleton have committed financial support for the purpose of naming Lumpkin Hall Room 3015 in honor of Susan's father, Kenneth Taylor. This room is

the location of the Literacy in Financial Education Center, the goal of which is to encourage students to practice responsible financial behaviors and graduate with a lower debt level, by developing strategies to reduce their discretionary spending.

Roll was called and the vote was as follows:

Mr. Dively	Yes
Dr. Gilchrist	Yes
Mr. Hutchinson	Yes
Mr. Kratochvil	Yes
Dr. Webb	Yes
Mr. Goetz	Yes

Motion carried.

6. Mr. Dively moved to approve the awarding of an Honorary Degree to Barbara Baurer. Dr. Gilchrist seconded the motion.

Ms. Baurer graduated from Eastern Illinois University with a bachelor's degree in mathematics, and an MBA. She served as chief operating officer for County Financial since September 1999, and is a member of the board of directors for several insurance providers that work with Country Financial. Prior to her current position, Ms. Baurer served as vice president and general manager of the Property and Casualty companies, and also as vice president of Information Services. Ms. Baurer volunteered as a member of the EIU School of Business Advisory Board from 2009 – 2014, the final two years as chair. In addition to her service to EIU, Ms. Baurer has been recognized with several awards including the Griffith Insurance Education Distinguished Service and Lifetime Achievement Awards in 2013 and 2014.

Roll was called and the vote was as follows:

Mr. Dively	Yes
Dr. Gilchrist	Yes
Mr. Hutchinson	Yes
Mr. Kratochvil	Yes
Dr. Webb	Yes
Mr. Goetz	Yes

Motion carried.

7. Mr. Kratochvil moved to approve the awarding of an Honorary Degree to Gene Myers. Mr. Hutchinson seconded the motion.

Mr. Myers received both a bachelor's and master's degree in art from Eastern Illinois University. As a student, Mr. Myers worked at what was then the Eastern News, where he drew a cartoon strip, created editorial cartoons, and provided illustrations for special sections. He won the 1986 National Journalism Scripps Howard Foundation Charles M. Schultz Award for best cartoonist, and has been published in several of the top magazines in the country.

Mr. Myers has been a loyal alumnus, and returns to EIU often as a guest lecturer and professional mentor to EIU journalism students.

Roll was called and the vote was as follows:

Mr. Dively	Yes
Dr. Gilchrist	Yes
Mr. Hutchinson	Yes
Mr. Kratochvil	Yes
Dr. Webb	Yes
Mr. Goetz	Yes

Motion carried.

### **Information Items (continued)**

#### **President's Report**

Dr. Perry reported that our rankings are strong. EIU is the top-rated public regional university in Illinois and ranked No. 4 in the 12-state Midwest Region, according to the latest U.S. News and World Report college rankings. Eastern was also listed as the No. 13 “Best College for Veterans” among Midwestern regional universities (public and private) and was the second highest ranked public university on the list. – U.S. News & World Report. Best College Reviews has released its rankings of the 50 best study abroad programs in America and placed Eastern at No. 14 on the listing.

Faculty and staff are being honored in different ways. Dr. Peter Ping Liu was invited to speak at the 2015 National Energy Education Summit in Washington, D.C. on behalf of Eastern's Center for Clean Energy Research and Education. The summit was designed to build, improve and expand energy education by sharing best practices and fostering new initiatives and partnerships in energy education.

EIU's web team recently (January 2015) earned the "Best Annual or Community Report." This award was for best in the nation.

Dr. Perry thanked the Board of Trustees for their support.

#### **Report from Constituencies**

##### **Faculty Senate**

Dr. Grant Sterling gave a report from the Faculty Senate.

##### **Staff Senate**

Ms. Christine Edwards, Chair of the Staff Senate, reported that the Staff Senate is operating at full capacity, and she informed the Board of the constituencies on campus that comprised the Senate. Ms. Edwards reported that morale continues to be an issue on campus, and the Senate is creating a “shout out” page which she had hoped would be finished by today's meeting. She expressed appreciation on behalf of the Senate for allowing them to be a part of the presidential search process.

##### **Student Government**

Mr. Reggie Thedford, Student Body President, reported on the activities of Student Government. Student Government has an initiative, “It's On Us” in collaboration with HERC, SACIS, and the Sexual Assault Task Force, and there is a movie screening, “It Happened Here.” The Executive Vice President heads up the Student Action Team who will have a Lobbying Day in Springfield, and the



date is to be announced. A special election was scheduled to elect a new Student Executive Vice President who will be at the March Board meeting. The Student Vice President for Student Affairs has been working with the Pantherpalooza, the Apportionment Board, an RSO initiative – student government liaisons. The Student Vice President for Academic Affairs is planning the Prowlin Series for this semester with President Perry. The Speaker of the Senate is working with recruitment strategies, such as bowling with the senators and having lunch with the senators. The Speaker is also working on outreach to educate the student body about what student government does, and asking students what they want from student government.

### **Report from the EIU Annuitants Association**

Ms. Vicki Hampton provided an update from the EIU Annuitants Association. EIUAA, 727 members strong, is a chapter of the State University Annuitants Association and works to promote the individual and collective interests of its members. Recently, the focus of the Association has become more politically active to assist members navigate new rules and regulations affecting their pensions and insurance. Members of the EIUAA chapter volunteer to work at the Neal Welcome Center, and the chapter worked with Information Technology Services (ITS) to help members with the email migration. Ms. Hampton thanked the Board of Trustees for allowing the Annuitants to have a representative on the presidential search committee.

### **Financial Aid Programs Report**

Seventy-eight percent of Eastern's student body received some type of financial assistance in FY 2014 in the form of loans, scholarships, grants, tuition waivers and/or employment from various federal, state and university programs. Financial aid in FY 2014 totaled \$122,282,904 at Eastern; 62 percent came from federal sources, 10 percent from the State, 20 percent from institutional sources and 8 percent from other sources.

### **FY 2015 Deposit and Investment Report**

For the quarter ending December 31, 2014: Operating Funds Investment Performance – The University had an average daily investment balance of \$52,744,167.26 and a net average daily balance of \$48,939,814.41. The annualized average yield was .02 percent. Endowment Funds Investment Performance – The Portfolio Market Value as of December 31, 2014 was \$1,482,643.33, which was a (.83) percent return on investments for the quarter.

### **University Highlights**

President Perry noted Mr. Leo Welch was recognized with an award named in his honor. The Leo Welch Faculty of the Year Award will be presented to faculty members who best represent the values and attributes displayed by Welch throughout his long and distinguished career in higher education.

### **Other Matters** -- None

### **Adjournment**

The meeting was adjourned at 2:40 p.m.