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

Mattoon Country Club  
Mattoon, Illinois 

Saturday, June 27, 2015 

A retreat of the Board of Trustees was convened on June 27, 2015, at 8:00 a.m. at the Mattoon Country Club, Mattoon, Illinois. Mr. Rene Hutchinson, Chair, presided. 

Roll Call 

Mr. Burke        Present  
Mr. Dively       Present  
Dr. Gilchrist    Absent   
Mr. Goetz        Present  
Mr. Hutchinson   Present  
Mr. Kratochvil   Present  
Dr. Webb         Present  
Ms. Witt          Present 

Also present 

Dr. David Glassman, President  
Dr. Blair Lord, Provost and Vice President for Academic Affairs  
Dr. Dan Nadler, Vice President for Student Affairs  
Mr. Robert Martin, Vice President for University Advancement  
Mr. Paul McCann, Interim Vice President for Business Affairs  
Dr. Mary Herrington-Perry, Assistant Vice President for Academic Affairs  
Mr. Rob Miller, General Counsel  
Mr. Brad Ingram, Board Attorney  
Ms. Judy Gorrell, Executive Secretary to the President and Assistant Secretary, Board of Trustees  
Ms. Cheryl Gilbert, Administrative Assistant, University Advancement  
Ms. Vicki Woodard, Media Relations (left the meeting at noon)  
Ms. Stephanie Markham, DEN (left the meeting at noon)  

Guests  
Senator Dale Righter  
Representative Reggie Phillips  
Ms. Katie Anselment  
Dr. Austin Cheney  

Budget Implications 

The Board and the administration engaged in a general discussion of the FY 2016 budget.
Enrollment Information
Dr. Herrington-Perry provided several handouts and discussed briefly the information:

- Progress on 2011-2013 Noel-Levitz Recommendations. Many of the recommendations have been completed, while others are ongoing or under review.
- Key New Enrollment Action Items for 2015-16. The action items are in five areas – recruitment, financial aid, marketing, program inventory, and retention. The implementation is dependent on resources.

How Majors are Developed
Dr. Lord provided information to the Board and led a discussion on Degree Production by College (2010-2014), Enrollment by College (2010-2014), Credit Hour Production by College (2010-2014), Revitalizing the EIU Program Inventory, Undergraduate Programs (based on majors), Graduate Programs (based on majors), and Approvals Required for Curriculum Change. Dr. Austin Cheney, Chair of the School of Technology, joined Dr. Lord for a discussion on program development.

Legislative Updates
Senator Righter and Representative Phillips discussed the state budget and how it might affect the University. Senator Righter expressed concern that the General Assembly is dealing with issues not directly related to the budget. The critical date is July 7 or 8, and then business may begin to shut down. Senator Righter stated that the veto session will force activity.

Representative Phillips felt that there is a lack of understanding of revenue/expenditures, and that revenue through economic growth won't happen this fiscal year. Representative Phillips acknowledged Ms. Anselment as the most effective liaison of the public universities, organizing meetings of her peers. Representative Phillips said the Trustees have a role in Springfield, especially when the President is coming to Springfield. In his opinion the regional public universities should organize as a group to hear first-hand the questions being asked and the answers—to let the lawmakers know how they run, who they serve, provide information about salaries, work hours of faculty. Be bold, move forward.

General Counsel Update
Mr. Miller provided information on the Conflict of Interest Statement, Open Meetings Act, and FOIA requests.

Board of Trustees – Self Evaluation
EIU personnel left the meeting prior to the BOT Self Evaluation portion of the meeting.