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Meeting of the Winthrop University Board of Trustees

June 11, 2010
1:00pm
Macfeat House
Winthrop University
Rock Hill, South Carolina

1. Call to Order*
2. Public Comment*
3. Approval of Minutes from April 16, 2010
4. Report of the Executive Committee and Board Chair
 - A. Resolution Honoring Dr. Leland Cox for Meritorious Service to Winthrop University
 - B. Resolution Regarding Performance Evaluation of President Anthony J. DiGiorgio
 - C. Resolution Regarding Contract of President Anthony J. DiGiorgio
5. Report of the Committee on Academic Affairs
 - A. Resolution to Confer Emeritus Faculty Status
6. Report of the Committee on Finance
 - A. Resolution to Empower the Executive Committee with the Authority to Adopt the Tuition Schedule and Operating Budget for 2010-11 **or** Resolution to Adopt the Tuition Schedule and Operating Budget for 2010-11
7. Report of the Committee on Advancement and Development*
8. Report of the Committee on Student Life*
9. Report of the Nominating Committee
 - A. Election of Officers for 2010-11 Term

10. Report from the Representatives to the Board
 - A. Report from the Chair of Faculty Conference
 - B. Report from the Chair of the Council of Student Leaders
 11. Report from the President*
 12. Old Business*
 13. New Business*
 14. Adjournment*
- * Indicates no supporting materials included in this mailing

Committee on Academic Affairs

Friday, June 11, 2010

Sims, Room 116

9:00 - 11:00 am

AGENDA

1. Approval of Minutes of Academic Affairs Committee Meeting of April 16, 2010
2. Resolution to Confer Emeritus Status
3. Report on Tenure and Promotion
4. Report of the Vice President
5. Southern Association of Colleges and Schools Report
6. Accreditation, Accountability and Academic Services Report
7. Academic Unit Updates
 - a. The Graduate School
 - b. Visual and Performing Arts
 - c. Business Administration
 - d. Library
 - e. Education
 - f. University College
 - g. Arts and Sciences
6. Presentation from the College of Arts and Sciences

Committee on Finance
Friday, June 11, 2010
Thompson Conference Room
9:00 - 11:00 am

AGENDA

1. Approval of Minutes of the Finance Committee Meeting of April 16, 2010
2. Briefing by External Auditor Cline Brandt Kochenower and Company, P.A.*
3. Review of 2010-11 Allocation Status Report Projection*
4. Resolution Regarding the Operating Budget and Student Fees for 2010-11
5. Review of 2009-10 Allocation Status Report
6. Update on Summer Camps*
7. Update on Summer Projects*

* Indicates no supporting materials are included in this mailing

Committee on Student Life
Friday, June 11, 2010
Ford Conference Room, 202 West Center
9:00 - 10:45 am

AGENDA

1. Call to Order
2. Approval of the April 16, 2010 Minutes of the Committee on Student Life Intercollegiate Athletics
3. Spring 2010 GPA Report
4. Academic All-Eagle Team
5. Big South and NCAA Governance Structure and Process

Division of Student Life

6. Introduction to the Bookstore's New Rent-a-Text Program
 7. Update on New Campus Food and Dining Options
 8. Review of the Programs Offered by Recreational Services
 9. Briefing on Progress Bringing the New Academic Success Center On Line
 10. Vice President's Briefing on Moving into New Campus Center
 11. Old Business
 12. New Business
- Adjournment

Committee on Institutional Advancement and Development

Friday, June 11, 2010

208 Thurmond Building

9:00 - 11:00 am

AGENDA

1. Call to Order
 2. Approval of Minutes of Committee Meeting of April 16, 2010
- Division of University Development and Alumni Relations
3. Alumni Relations Update*
 4. Development Update*
 5. Foundation Update*
- Division of University Advancement and Enrollment Management
6. Update and Overview of Fall 2010 Enrollment Activities
 7. Progress Report on Advancement Initiatives
 8. Presentation on Admissions and Alumni Relations Joint Initiatives
 9. Old Business
 10. New Business
- Adjournment



Meeting of the Winthrop University Board of Trustees

June 10 and 11, 2010

Winthrop University, Rock Hill, SC

Members present: Kathy Bigham (Chair), Karl Folkens, Janet Smalley, Jane LaRoche, Susan Smith-Rex, Donna Tinsley-Holley, Dalton Floyd, Sam Foster, Bob Thompson, Tim Sease, Tommy Pope, Anthony J. DiGiorgio (ex officio).

Members absent: Frances Davenport, Lee Cox, David Vipperman

Representatives present: Sydney Evans, Student Representative; Marsha Bollinger, Faculty Representative

Representatives absent: None.

Others present: Faculty and staff of Winthrop University,

The Board of Trustees met on Thursday, June 10 and Friday, June 11, 2010 on the campus of Winthrop University, Rock Hill, SC.

Call to Order

Chair Bigham called the meeting to order at 3:34 p.m. on June 10. Dalton Floyd made a motion for the Board to move into Executive Session, Bob Thompson seconded. The Board met in executive session for the purpose of the contractual and personnel matter of reviewing the recommendations of the Executive Committee on the performance evaluation of President DiGiorgio. Janet Smalley moved the Board return to public session with no actions taken. The motion was seconded by Jane LaRoche. The motion passed unanimously by voice vote. At that time, the meeting was recessed with continuation planned for the afternoon of June 11.

As there were no requests made for public comments, the meeting continued on June 11, 2010 at 1:00 p.m.

Approval of Board Minutes of April 16, 2010

Bob Thompson made a motion to approve the minutes from the meeting of April 16, 2010. The motion seconded by Dalton Floyd. The minutes were approved unanimously as presented.

Report of the Executive Committee and Chair of the Board

Chair Bigham reported that the Executive Committee had met on campus on May 26, 2010. Several matters were reviewed and discussed. The materials from the meeting have been forwarded to each of members of the Board. Chair Bigham asked that the Board consider a number of resolutions for meritorious service:

Resolution Honoring Dr. Leland Cox for Meritorious Service to Winthrop University. Sue Smith-Rex, of the Academic Affairs Committee read aloud the citation honoring Dr. Cox for his six years of service to the Board as an elected representative of Congressional District 4. The resolution passed unanimously.

Chair Bigham then asked that the Board consider a number of resolutions pertaining to the performance evaluation and contract of President DiGiorgio:

Resolution Regarding Performance Evaluation of President Anthony J. DiGiorgio. Based upon the recommendation of the Executive Committee of the Board and input from the Faculty Representative to the Board as well as individual Trustees, the Board recommended the President receive an “Exceeds Expectations” evaluation. The resolution passed unanimously.

Resolution Regarding Contract of President Anthony J. DiGiorgio. Again, based on the recommendation of the Executive Committee of the Board and input from the Faculty Representative to the Board as well as individual Trustees, the contract of President Anthony DiGiorgio was extended for an additional year. The resolution passed unanimously.

Report of the Committee on Academic Affairs

The next order of business was the report of the Academic Affairs Committee. After reminding the Board that each has received a complete set of briefing notes from all of the committees, Committee member Dr. Sue Smith-Rex (in the absence of Committee Chair Dr. Cox) read aloud the Resolution to Confer Emeritus Faculty Status on selected retired faculty. The resolution passed unanimously to confer emeritus status to: Anne Beard, associate professor of speech, Lawrence Mitlin professor of library science, and Pat Wolman, professor of human nutrition.

She continued by reporting on the results of the recent tenure and promotion process

that resulted in thirteen faculty receiving tenure and promotions. Dr. Smith-Rex expressed the committee's appreciation that Winthrop continues to award a salary increase to those faculty receiving promotion.

Dr. Smith-Rex summarized the reports from each of the academic deans. Dean Murnane of the Graduate School reported summer school enrollment in undergraduate classes is up by 3.5% as compared to last summer's numbers. Acting Dean Burmeister reported on the ways in which the students in CVPA are learning to market themselves using a variety of electronic tools. Dean Weikle reported on the administrative reorganization of the College of Business. Dean Rakestraw reported on the NetScope and NetLead grant programs received by the College of Education. Dean Herring of Dacus Library reported on the latest PASCAL news. Dean Jones of University College briefed the committee on the upcoming plans to bring author of our next common book, Bill Strickland to campus in October. Finally Dean Boyd of the College of Arts and Sciences reported on the rededication of the Life Sciences Building in honor of Harry and Becca Dalton.

Report of the Committee on Finance

As the next order of business, Karl Folkens, Chair of the Finance Committee, briefed the Board on the report of the external auditing firm, cline Brandt Kochenower and Company, P.A. Mr. Kochenower focused his report on the risk assessment in relation to the Banner software conversion. The committee discussed the importance of making all employees aware of the state's Fraud Prevention Hotline and noted it access through the Controller's and Associate VP for Finance's website. The committee did move into executive session for the purpose of legal and personnel matters. No actions were taken in executive session.

Mr. Folkens concluded his report by bringing forward the resolution to delegate authority to the executive committee to set the 2010-11 tuition and fees schedule at a time later in the summer. The Board voted unanimously in favor of the motion.

Report of the Committee on Advancement and Development

Chair Bob Thompson began his report by listing the highlights of the recent Development and Alumni events and the Alumni Reunion Celebration with 240 returning alumni. University fundraising in the form of the Winthrop Fund is up 26% as compared to last year. Likewise, there has been a 27% increase in the number of donors as compared to last year.

Advances in the Enrollment area continue to be made with the addition of an admissions counselor dedicated to international students and an extensive follow-up

campaign with admitted students including telephone calls and e-mails.

Report of the Committee on Student Life

Chair Janet Smalley began her report by summarizing the report of Athletic Director, Tom Hickman. The spring GPA report is once again strong with an overall GPA of 2.94. The overall women's cumulative average is 3.11 with the men's average at 2.85. Women's tennis has the highest average GPA of 3.51.

Ms. Smalley then summarized the report of Vice President of Student Life, Dr. Frank Ardaiole. The latest news from the Bookworm is the introduction of the new rent a textbook program that will reduce the cost of textbooks for students. Dr. Ardaiole updated the committee on the new food options that will be available in the campus center next fall. Ms. Smalley concluded her report with an overview of the new Academic Success Center funded through the FIPSE grant.

Board Officer Elections

As the next order of business, Chair Bigham temporarily turned the meeting over to Karl Folkens for the purpose of the election of the Board officers for academic year 2010-11. Nominating Committee Chair Jane LaRoche brought forth the recommendation of her committee. Kathy Bigham was recommended for Chair and Dalton Floyd for Vice Chair. Both agreed to serve if elected. The election was unanimous. The new officers will assume their duties on July 1, 2010.

Report of the Chair of Faculty Conference

Dr. Marsha Bollinger began her report by reviewing curricular activity since April. Changes ranged from minor adjustments in course numbering to substantive changes in major requirements. The most involved change was the re-evaluation of the General Education courses. Additional activities of the Faculty Conference include the work with the Southern Association of Schools and Colleges (SACS) upcoming accreditation report and visit as well as the Quality Enhancement Plan (QEP). Both aspects of the reaffirmation of accreditation continue to require substantial time commitment for the faculty.

Report of the Chair of the Council of Student Leaders

Chair Sydney Evans reported her trip to Allegheny, Pennsylvania where she attended a

conference focused on student civility. Later this year she will be attending a conference in Missouri to learn alternative ways to structure a Council of Student Leaders. Overall, Ms. Evans reports an involved campus that is looking forward to tackling the new challenges summer offers.

Report of the President

The President began his report by thanking the Trustees for their vote of confidence in awarding him an “Exceeds Expectations” for his evaluation and by extending his contract.

He continued his report by praising the faculty, students, and staff for the many hours of work in preparation for the upcoming SACS reaffirmation of accreditation visit scheduled for April 4 through 6, 2011.

The president reviewed the past academic year by summarizing the time spent trying to come to understand the times we are in. More than ever we must be nimble and ready to react quickly. The work we have undertaken as part of Readiness Winthrop will help us do so. We must continue to prepare for the challenges of the future while taking care of the current needs.

Old Business

None.

New Business

None

Adjournment

Hearing no objections, Chair Bigham adjourned the meeting at 3:35 p.m.

Minutes submitted by Kimberly Faust, Secretary to the Board for 2010-11

APPROVED BY THE BOARD ON NOVEMBER 5, 2010



Meeting of the Winthrop University Board of Trustees

RESOLUTION REGARDING THE OPERATING BUDGET AND STUDENT FEES FOR FISCAL YEAR 2010-2011

WHEREAS, the respective Boards of Trustees at state institutions of higher learning are empowered to determine schedules of student fees; and

WHEREAS, the General Assembly of the State of South Carolina customarily provides its public institutions of higher learning with state operating allocations sufficiently in advance of the Winthrop University Board of Trustees' regular June board meeting to allow for timely preparation of budget documentation to be reviewed by the full board in its June board deliberations related to establishment of tuition and fees; and

WHEREAS, the General Assembly of the State of South Carolina in 2010 has been unable to reach agreement on key aspects of its allocation of state operating funds as they relate to Winthrop University for the fiscal year beginning July 1 in time to allow for that careful and timely preparation of budget documentation for review by Winthrop's full board in considering establishment of tuition and fees; and

WHEREAS, leadership of the General Assembly has signaled such decisions may not be forthcoming until much later in the month of June; and

WHEREAS, Winthrop University has promised its students and their families to act expeditiously to provide information needed by them for family financial planning purposes as soon as reasonably possible following General Assembly action;

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Executive Committee of the Board of Trustees be authorized to adopt the 2010-2011 fee schedule after final legislative action is taken and;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Executive Committee of the Board of Trustees be authorized to adopt the Winthrop University operating budget on behalf of the Board once the General Assembly has passed the Appropriations Act.

APPROVED, this the 11th day of June, 2010.

RESOLUTION TO CONFER EMERITUS STATUS

Whereas, Winthrop University has been the benefactor of a combined total of one hundred years of dedicated service contributed by the three faculty members honored by the proposal of emeritus status; and

Whereas, Winthrop University recognizes the loyal devotion of these faculty members who have dedicated themselves to teaching Winthrop University students; and

Whereas, Winthrop University expresses gratitude for the tireless efforts of these outstanding educators who have demonstrated a professional commitment to Winthrop University and higher learning;

Therefore let it be resolved that the Winthrop University Board of Trustees does hereby recognize the following as having attained emeritus status at Winthrop University with all the rights and privileges bestowed thereunto: Anne E. Beard, Associate Professor of Speech; Laurance R. Mitlin, Professor of Library Services; and Patricia G. Wolman, Professor of Human Nutrition.

APPROVED, this the 11th day of June, 2010.

RESOLUTION REGARDING CONTRACT FOR PRESIDENT ANTHONY J.

DiGIORGIO

WHEREAS, the Board of Trustees met in Executive Session on June 10, 2010 to conduct the annual performance review of Anthony J. DiGiorgio, President of Winthrop University, as mandated by the State Agency Head Salary Commission; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Trustees believes that the President DiGiorgio's performance merits a one-year extension to his current contract, which would come to term on June 30, 2015;

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF WINTHROP UNIVERSITY directs and empowers the Chair of the Board to revise and execute an amended contract which extends the services of Anthony J. DiGiorgio as President of Winthrop University through June 30, 2016.

APPROVED, this the 11th day of June, 2010.

RESOLUTION REGARDING 2009-2010 PERFORMANCE EVALUATION OF
PRESIDENT ANTHONY J. DiGIORGIO

WHEREAS, in accordance with Board Bylaws the Executive Committee met in Executive Session on May 26, 2010 to conduct the annual performance review of the President of Winthrop University as mandated by the State Agency Head Salary Commission; and

WHEREAS, the Executive Committee reviewed the responses to the State Agency Head Performance Survey submitted by the individual Trustees and reviewed the President's performance in terms of the Performance Planning Objectives; and

WHEREAS, the Executive Committee concluded that President DiGiorgio should receive the highest rating of "Exceeds Expectations" in the Board's formal evaluation to be submitted to the State Agency Head Salary Commission based on his stewardship of Winthrop University through these unprecedented times as he continues to lead the campus to meet the changing expectations of 21st century learners while also adapting to what has become the norm of declining state appropriations; and

WHEREAS, in Executive Session the Executive Committee concluded that in the Board's formal evaluation to be submitted to the State Agency Head Salary Commission President DiGiorgio be recommended to receive the maximum salary increase if such an increase was to be awarded by the Commission;

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF WINTHROP UNIVERSITY that in its formal evaluation of the performance of Anthony J. DiGiorgio as President of Winthrop University to be submitted to the State Agency Head Salary Commission, President DiGiorgio will receive a rating of "Exceeds Expectations" and will be recommended to receive the maximum salary increase if such an increase was to be awarded by the Commission for 2010-11.

APPROVED, this the 11th day of June, 2010.

RESOLUTION TO HONOR DR. LELAND COX FOR MERITORIOUS SERVICE

ON THE WINTHROP UNIVERSITY BOARD OF TRUSTEES

WHEREAS, Winthrop University with grateful appreciation, does hereby acknowledge, commend and honor the six years of distinguished service of Dr. Leland Cox as a member of the Winthrop University Board of Trustees; and

WHEREAS, since joining the Board, he has demonstrated most clearly all of the academic, administrative, and personal qualities required for exceptional academic leadership;

WHEREAS, he has freely given of his time and talents to strengthen the essential operations of the University, to further its progress toward reaching its institutional goals and to fulfill its educational mission which has led to the increase of the quality of academic programs and the diversity of the student body; and

WHEREAS, his participation on the Board on a variety of committees including chair of the Committee on Academic Affairs has been characterized by his dedication to excellence and his high level of commitment to education and will long be evident in the achievements of the University;

WHEREAS, he has employed his community spirit and his resolute commitment to educational advancement; and has worked to ensure that Winthrop University continues its tradition of outstanding service to its students, the Rock Hill community and the State of South Carolina;

THEREFORE LET IT BE RESOLVED that the Winthrop University Board of Trustees and President DiGiorgio, on behalf of the students, faculty and staff at Winthrop University, and the extended public higher education community, gratefully acknowledge the vigorous advocacy and heartfelt concern that Leland has demonstrated on behalf of higher education in general and Winthrop in particular , and in commending him for outstanding meritorious service, do wish him every success and happiness in all his future endeavors.

Approved this 11th day of June 2010.