

# **BOARD OF REGENTS**

## **EASTERN MICHIGAN UNIVERSITY**

SECTION: 16
DATE: September 19, 2006

### **RECOMMENDATION**

#### **MONTHLY REPORT STUDENT AFFAIRS COMMITTEE**

#### **ACTION REQUESTED**

It is recommended that the Student Affairs Committee Agenda for September 19, 2006 and the Minutes of June 20, 2006 be received and placed on file.

#### **STAFF SUMMARY**

At the June 20, 2006 meeting the Student Affairs Committee unanimously endorsed the 2006-07 Room and Board Rates Proposal and the EMU Creed, received reports on EMU Day in Lansing and the Greek Standards Initiative and received requests from the Student Leader Group for inclusion of gender identity and expression in EMU's antidiscrimination policies as well as student input on tuition increases.

The September 19, 2006 agenda includes the annual Fall Start Up Report, further discussion of inclusion of gender identity and expression in the University's anti-discrimination policies, a statement on the AAUP negotiations and the Board of Regents meeting time change as well as updates on the New Student Center grand opening and Student Leader Group priorities for 2006-07.

#### **FISCAL IMPLICATIONS**

None

#### **ADMINISTRATIVE RECOMMENDATION**

The proposed Board action has been reviewed and is recommended for Board approval.

University Executive Officer \_\_\_\_\_

Date \_\_\_\_\_

# EASTERN MICHIGAN UNIVERSITY

Board of Regents  
Student Affairs Committee

Tuesday, September 19, 2006  
1:45 p.m.

## Agenda

Room 201  
Welch Hall

1. Approval of June 20, 2006 Meeting Minutes
2. Annual Fall Start Up Report
3. AAUP Negotiations
4. Gender Identity and Expression
5. Student Leader Group Priorities
6. Board of Regents Meeting Time Change
7. New Student Center Update
8. Announcements
9. Other

Regent Clack  
Glenna Frank Miller  
Daniel Cicchini  
Student Leader Group  
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Glenna Frank Miller

EASTERN MICHIGAN UNIVERSITY  
Board of Regents  
**STUDENT AFFAIRS COMMITTEE**  
Minutes of June 20, 2006

**MEMBERS PRESENT**

Regents: Floyd Clack

Administration: Jim Vick, Mike Erwin, Glenna Frank Miller, Gregory Peoples

Students: Nadir J. Akbar, Daniel Cicchini, Casey Jordan, Ravi Joshi, Sharon Krick, Baljit Singh Puri, Hodan Said, Allison Sheppard, Greg Varnum, Emily Vincent, Tom Warren

**GUESTS**

Regents: Thomas Sidlik, Karen Valvo

Administration: Vickie Bagherzadeh, Rosalyn Barclay, Kate Brindle, David Carroll, Deb deLaski-Smith, Rhonda DeLong, Mary Jo Desprez, John A. Fallon, Brian Fitzgerald, Larry Gates, Melissa Ginotti, Ellen Gold, Cindy Hall, Peggy Harless, Bob Heighes, Steve Holda, Jill Hunsberger, Marcus Jackson, Ann Klaes, Jeff Koras, Bernice Lindke, Donald Loppnow, Thom Madden, Courtney McAnuff, Cathie McClure, Sarah Kersey Otto, Stephanie Percy, Shaless Peoples, Vernon Polite, Ken Ruppel, Dan Salk, Gretchen Sanchez, Lewis Savage, Darryl Szczepanski, Susan Sohn, Kathy Walz, Eric Ward, Kathryn Wilhoff, Sandra Williams, Pam Young

Students: LaShaunta Hairston, Jessica Klein, Jenny Lee

Press: Andrew Cipolla (Echo), Geoff Larcom (Ann Arbor News)

Regent Clack convened the meeting at 9:30 a.m. Minutes of the March 21, 2006 meeting were approved as presented.

**Introduction of New Members**

Regent Clack welcomed new members: Panhellenic Council President Casey Jordan, Residence Hall Association President Allison Sheppard, Students of Color representative Hodan Said, Student Body Vice President Emily Vincent, Student Body President Daniel Cicchini, Interfraternity Council President Tom Warren and Graduate Student Organization representative Ravi Joshi.

**Gender Identity and Expression**

Student Body President Daniel Cicchini read a statement on behalf of the Student Leader Group, again requesting inclusion of Gender Identity and Expression in the University's anti-discrimination policies. LGBT Representative Greg Varnum thanked Dan for his comments and congratulated Western Michigan University for taking the lead among Michigan public universities in adding gender identity and expression to their anti-discrimination policies.

**2006-07 Room & Board Rates Proposal**

Allison Sheppard, Residence Hall Association President, read a statement of support for the proposal on behalf of RHA. The proposal calls for a 4% increase for residence halls, which is below the State average of 4.11%. Apartment rates have been set to meet market trends and conditions, and show an overall reduction of 2%. Dan Cicchini moved that the Student Affairs Committee endorse the rates proposal as presented. The motion was seconded by Allison Sheppard and unanimously approved. A discussion of ways to increase residence hall occupancy followed.

### **Athletic Affairs Committee**

Student Body Vice President Emily Vincent read a statement on behalf of the Student Leader Group expressing their continued interest in having student representation on the Athletic Affairs Committee. Members of the Student Leader Group will monitor the Athletic Affairs Committee meetings throughout the year to make a determination of whether this issue should be revisited in the future.

### **EMU Day in Lansing**

The Committee received a report from Daniel Cicchini on the very successful "EMU Day in Lansing" held May 2, 2006. Four teams of students, faculty and staff met with a number of Representatives and Senators to share with them the importance of EMU to the State of Michigan.

### **Greek Standards**

Casey Jordan, Panhellenic Council President, presented a follow-up report on the outcomes of the first year of the Greek Standards initiative which developed core values within the EMU Greek community and provides a framework for assessment.

### **Student Input on Tuition Increases**

Daniel Cicchini read a statement on behalf of the Student Leader Group requesting that the Board of Regents invite a student representative to participate in the July 21<sup>st</sup> Board meeting that will address budget and tuition matters.

### **EMU Creed**

Nadir Akbar, Commuter Student Association president and co-chair of the Community Creed Task Force, discussed the EMU Creed which was written by students over the past two years. The Creed reads: "We believe the **Integrity** of our work and the **Respect** we show for our fellow students, faculty, alumni and staff are an integral part of our ongoing **Education**. We believe that the **Relationships** we have and those we continue to develop will support us as we learn and grow together as a community."

Daniel Cicchini moved that the Student Affairs Committee endorse the Community Creed as presented. The motion was seconded by Nadir Akbar and carried unanimously. The Creed will be unveiled this fall at Freshman Orientation pending endorsement by the Faculty Council and other campus constituent groups.

### **Other**

Daniel Cicchini announced that Glenna Frank Miller has been named Student Government advisor and he thanked Gregory Peoples for his many years of service in that capacity. The change in advisors was made to eliminate any conflict with the Ombudsman's role.

The meeting adjourned at 10:20 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Teri L. Papp  
Student Affairs Committee Recording Secretary