

EASTERN MICHIGAN UNIVERSITY
Board of Regents Meeting
February 21, 2012

These are the proposed minutes of the February 21, 2012 Board of Regents meeting.

The meeting of the Eastern Michigan University Board of Regents was called to order by Chairman Wilbanks at 4:02 p.m. in Room 201, Welch Hall, Ypsilanti, Michigan.

The Board members present were:

Regent Floyd Clack, Regent Beth Fitzsimmons, Regent Michael Hawks, Regent Mike Morris, Vice Chair Francine Parker, Regent Tom Sidlik, Regent James Stapleton and Chair Roy Wilbanks.

TAB A

OPEN COMMUNICATIONS

Secretary Reaume announced that two people requested to address the Board of Regents. Each speaker was given up to 15 minutes to speak.

1. Susan Moeller (EMU-AAUP) – Negotiations
2. Gregory Sheldon (EMU Alumni Association) – Alumni Association Update

TAB B

President's Report
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As we celebrate the past and embrace the future, I urge you to look around you, to walk the campus, tour our buildings and see what we have done together as a team in the past few years to build the future of Eastern Michigan University.

The Board of Regents, the President and leadership team and the campus community – faculty, students, staff and alumni – have worked together to effect CHANGE. Ypsilanti residents tell me the campus has never looked more beautiful, and I believe it is true. Look at the signage, look at the perennial flowers and grounds, look at the beauty and history of Eastern in its 162nd year. At Eastern, our community worked together to move

everyone out of Pray-Harrold into other spaces and back in 16 months to start Fall 2011 in a beautiful, renovated building. Additionally, a new splash of color on the walls in the Porter building creates an environment where students are energized and poised for learning and growing.

So I hope you will consider joining us at “EMU Day in Lansing” on March 20 and tell Lansing this story and why lawmakers there should fund Strong Hall to finish the Science Complex. Come to the women’s basketball game tonight at 7 p.m. – wear pink and get in free – and celebrate the players’ success and support them against Toledo. If they win, they have a good chance of advancing to the second seed in the upcoming MAC tournament.

We are an Eastern family, a community that can understand and work with change. Now we need to embrace change in these challenging budget times. We need to work together to serve our students and continue the momentum to make our campus community and over 140,000 alumni (over 100,000 in Michigan alone) wear the block E with pride. If you are a Normalite, a Huron, or an Eagle, please join together under the block E and celebrate the past and embrace the bright future at Eastern. As we approach the successful end of our capital campaign, exceeding the \$50 million goal, we certainly will depend on your continued generous support of this fine institution.

I want to note two internal organizational changes that were announced recently to better align University resources with our future. First, the Enrollment Management area is now in Academic Affairs. This will provide single oversight for the continuum of operations focused on student success – from admissions, to financial aid, to academic support, to graduation – all in a single area and reporting to the Provost.

This change creates accountability for the Provost to lead and produce enrollment results; working with the faculty and staff together to help our students navigate through Eastern with the goal of walking across the stage confirming their earned degree, with their friends and family cheering them on in the Convocation Center! College graduates, on average, earn \$1 million more across their lifetime. We need these graduates to stay in Michigan, buy a home, raise a family, and secure success. Eastern will lead students into their bright future!

Second, Alumni Relations is joining the Division of Communications, and we are planning a relocation of the alumni relations office into historic McKenny Hall. This will create an open door for our alumni to revisit campus, celebrate their past and become involved in events sponsored by their college. The move also enables our staff in Alumni Relations to draw upon the strengths of our Communications Division.

And some terrific news: Eastern Michigan University's student-athletes turned in a record-setting performance in the classroom in Fall 2011. The cumulative GPA for all student-athletes was the highest ever, at 3.162. Twenty student-athletes posted a 4.0 GPA while 323, or 64 percent, of the student-athletes posted 3.0 or better.

So please recognize Erin Burdis, Assistant Athletic Director for Student-Athlete Support Services; Ann Pierson, Student-Athlete Support Services Program Specialist; Garrett Hotchkiss, Assistant Academic Program Specialist; and Associate Athletic Director and Senior Women's Administrator Melody Reifel Werner for their roles in these outstanding academic efforts.

I am also pleased to acknowledge Professor Heather Neff, Director of the McNair Scholars Program. Heather is a faculty member dedicated to helping her students succeed at Eastern. Her latest book is on sale in the bookstore, the title is Leila.

The full President's Report, with additional information, is available on the University's website.

Thank you, Chairman Wilbanks.

Susan Martin

TAB C

Presentation of McNair Scholars

The McNair Program Director, Dr. Heather Neff, made a presentation to the Board about the McNair Scholars Program on campus. It is a federal, grant-funded program designed to assist high-achieving students from low-income, first-generation or underrepresented groups in gaining admission to doctoral programs. Now in its fifth year at EMU, the McNair Program served over 70 students, 47 of whom have already completed their Bachelor's degrees. Thirty-one McNair alumni are currently studying in graduate programs across the world, with over 45 percent of McNair graduates pursuing Master's degrees at EMU.

Section 1

PROPOSED MINUTES OF THE DECEMBER 15, 2011 REGULAR BOARD MEETING

Regent Parker moved and Regent Stapleton seconded that the proposed minutes be approved as submitted.

Motion Carried

Consent Agenda

Regent Morris moved and Regent Stapleton seconded that the items on the Consent Agenda be approved (sections 2-8).

Section 2**Emeritus Faculty Status**

Recommended that the Board of Regents grant Emeritus Faculty status to one (1) former faculty member: Gabriel J. Cherem, Professor in the Geography and Geology Department, who retired September 1, 2011.

Section 3**Emeritus Staff Recommendations**

Recommended that the Board of Regents grant Emeritus Staff status to four (4) former staff members: Arlene Cook, Program Coordinator for the Great Lakes Regional OSHA Education Center, who retired December 1, 2011; Lynn Dorendorf, Director of IT Security, who retired June 30, 2011; John Senko, Director of Management Information Systems within the Office of Institutional Research and Information Management, who retired August 21, 2009; and Ray D. Sowers, Electrical Engineer at the Physical Plant, who retired June 30, 2011.

Section 4**Academic Affairs Administrative/Professional Appointments/Transfers**

Recommended that the Board of Regents approve two (2) Administrative/Professional transfers: Kate Mehuron, Interim Associate Dean – College of Arts and Sciences; and Diane Winder, Interim Department Head – Music & Dance.

Section 5**Academic Retirements/Separations**

Recommended that the Board of Regents approve eleven (11) retirements and separations for the reporting period October 1, 2011 through January 31, 2012.

Section 6**Lecturer Promotions**

Recommended that the Board of Regents accept and place on file the report entitled Promotion of Lecturers for 2011-2012.

Section 7**Staff Appointments**

Recommended that the Board of Regents approve eleven (11) staff appointments for the reporting period November 1, 2011 through December 31, 2011.

Section 8**Staff Separations/Retirements**

Recommended that the Board of Regents approve seven (7) staff separations and retirements for the reporting period November 1, 2011 through December 31, 2011.

Motion Carried**Section 9****MONTHLY REPORT AND MINUTES - STUDENT AFFAIRS COMMITTEE**

Regent Fitzsimmons moved and Regent Stapleton seconded that the Student Affairs Committee Agenda for February 21, 2012 and the Minutes of the December 15, 2011 meeting be received and placed on file.

Motion Carried**Section 10****MONTHLY REPORT AND MINUTES – ATHLETIC AFFAIRS COMMITTEE**

Regent Hawks moved and Regent Sidlik seconded that the Athletic Affairs Committee Agenda for February 21, 2012 and the Minutes of the December 15, 2011 meeting be received and placed on file.

Motion Carried

Section 11

MONTHLY REPORT AND MINUTES – FACULTY AFFAIRS COMMITTEE

Regent Parker moved and Regent Stapleton seconded that the Faculty Affairs Committee Agenda for February 21, 2012 and the Minutes of the December 15, 2011 meeting be received and placed on file.

Motion Carried

Section 12

MONTHLY REPORT AND MINUTES – EDUCATIONAL POLICIES COMMITTEE

Regent Sidlik moved and Regent Fitzsimmons seconded that the Educational Policies Committee Agenda for February 21, 2012 and the Minutes of the December 15, 2011 meeting be received and placed on file.

Motion Carried

Section 13

OFFICIAL REPORTING DATES

Regent Sidlik moved and Regent Morris seconded that the Board of Regents accept the 2012-2013 Fiscal Year Opening of Term and Official Record Dates as determined by University Policy.

Motion Carried

Section 14

2010-11 CHARTER SCHOOLS ANNUAL REPORT

Regent Sidlik moved and Regent Fitzsimmons seconded that the Board of Regents receive and place on file the 2010-11 Charter Schools Annual Report.

Motion Carried

Section 15**COMMENCEMENT SPEAKERS AND HONORARY DEGREE RECIPIENTS**

Regent Sidlik moved and Regent Hawks seconded that the Board of Regents approve alumnus Dave Coverly as commencement speaker at the Sunday, April 29, 2012 morning commencement ceremony and Lt. Gov. Brian Calley as commencement speaker at the Sunday, April 29, 2012 afternoon commencement ceremony. It was recommended that Mr. Coverly be awarded an honorary Doctor of Fine Arts degree and Mr. Calley receive an honorary Doctor of Public Service degree.

Motion Carried**Section 16****MONTHLY REPORT AND MINUTES – FINANCE, AUDIT AND INVESTMENT COMMITTEE**

Regent Morris moved and Regent Sidlik seconded that the Board of Regents receive and place on file the Minutes from the December 15, 2011 Finance, Audit and Investment Committee meeting, the Agenda for the February 21, 2012 meeting and the Informational Reports and Financial Updates.

Motion Carried**Section 17****WEMU-FM FINANCIAL STATEMENTS AS OF JUNE 30, 2011**

Regent Morris moved and Regent Sidlik seconded that the Board of Regents approve, receive and place on file the WEMU-FM Financial Report and Statements as of June 30, 2011.

Motion Carried

Section 18

BANNER ERP SYSTEM CONTRACT RENEWAL

Regent Morris moved and Regent Hawks seconded that the Board of Regents approve a ten year renewal of the contract with Sungard Higher Education, Inc. for maintenance services and software upgrades for the Banner system.

Motion Carried

Chairman Wilbanks called for any further business to be brought before the Board. There being none, the meeting was adjourned at 4:49 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Vicki Reaume
Vice President and Secretary to the Board of Regents