

**MINUTES
MIDWESTERN STATE UNIVERSITY
BOARD OF REGENTS**

**Committee of the Whole
February 9, 2006**

The Board of Regents, Midwestern State University, met in regular session in the Board Room, Hardin Hall, Wichita Falls, Texas, at 10:00 a.m., Thursday, February 9, 2006. Regents in attendance were Mr. Mac Cannedy, Jr., Chairperson; Ms. Patricia Haywood, Secretary; Mr. Stephen Gustafson, Mr. Munir Lalani, Mr. Don Ross Malone, and new Student Regent Will Morefield.

Administrative staff members present included Dr. Jesse W. Rogers, President; Dr. Friederike Wiedemann, Provost; Mr. Juan Sandoval, Vice President for Administration and Finance; Dr. Howard Farrell, Vice President for University Advancement and Student Affairs; Dr. Bob Clark, Associate Provost; and Mr. Keith Lamb, Associate Vice President for Student Affairs. Other university personnel attending the meeting included Ms. Gail Ferguson, Controller; Mr. David Spencer, Internal Auditor; Dr. David Tucker, Chairperson of the MSU Faculty Senate; Ms. Valarie Maxwell, Director of Budget and Management; Mr. Michael Dye, Director of Information Systems; Ms. Bobbie Tassinari, Director of Purchasing; Ms. Dianne Weakley, Director of Personnel; Mr. Mike Snow, Director of Institutional Research and Planning; Ms. Mitzi Lewis, Assistant Director of Institutional Research and Planning; Ms. Janus Buss, Director of Public Information and Marketing; Ms. Cindy Ashlock, Assistant to the President; and Ms. Debbie Barrow, Executive Assistant to the President. Mr. Jason York, Student Government Association Observer, also attended the meeting. Representing the news media was Ms. Ann Work, reporter for the Wichita Falls *Times Record News*.

Chairperson Cannedy called the meeting to order at 10:07 a.m. He noted that several Board members were absent from the meeting. He explained that John Bridgman was traveling out of the country, David Stephens was traveling out of state, Pam Gough had a death in the family and Ben Wible had an accident with a chain saw yesterday. He indicated that a quorum of the Board was still present. He also welcomed new Student Regent Will Morefield to service with the Board of Regents. Mr. Cannedy noted that Governor Perry appointed Will and other student regents throughout the state late last week. He asked Mr. Morefield to tell the Board about himself. Mr. Morefield commented that he had gotten to know most of the Board members because of his service as Student Government Association President. He indicated that he was honored by this appointment. He noted that he is a senior at MSU and is majoring in International Studies. He added that he serves as Vice President of Sigma Nu Fraternity and was previously President of the Interfraternity Council at MSU. Ms. Buss then introduced guests attending the meeting.

Public Comment

06-48. Mr. Cannedy stated that in accordance with the Board of Regents By-Laws, MSU Policy 2.22, members of the public are invited to address the Midwestern State University Board of Regents through written and oral testimony. A sign-up sheet was available to record those who wanted to address the Board of Regents during this public comment period. Mr. Cannedy noted that no one signed up to speak during this time.

Recess

Mr. Cannedy noted that the remaining items on the agenda would be handled later in the meeting. The meeting recessed at 10:11 a.m.

Reconvene

The Board meeting reconvened at 12:40 p.m. at Pierce Hall

Tour of Pierce Hall

06-49. The following individuals participated in a tour of Pierce Hall following the lunch break: Mr. Cannedy, Ms. Haywood, Mr. Gustafson, Mr. Lalani, Mr. Malone, Mr. Morefield, Dr. Wiedemann, Mr. Sandoval, Dr. Farrell, Dr. Clark, Mr. Lamb, Dr. Tucker, Ms. Maxwell, Mr. Dye, Ms. Buss, Ms. Barrow, Mr. York, and Ms. Work. Joining the group for the tour were Mr. Reece Talley, Student Senator; Mr. Danny Reddick, Director of Housing and Residence Life; Mr. Michael Mills, Assistant Director of Housing and Residence Life; and Ms. Reagan Foster, Assistant Director of Housing and Residence Life for Judicial Affairs.

Mr. Reddick directed the tour of the facility and Mr. Lamb discussed some of the major changes that were made to enhance privacy for the student residents. The Board viewed the first floor lounge, the new individual restroom facilities and one of the rooms. Additionally, the tour included the study carrels and game room/kitchen lounge.

Recess

The tour concluded at 1:00 p.m. and the meeting recessed until later in the day.

Reconvene

The Board meeting reconvened at 3:15 p.m.

Board Training – Open Government

06-49. Mr. Cannedy noted that state law requires members of the Board of Regents to participate in Open Meetings Training. Additionally, the law requires Open Records Training and allows Board members to designate a public information coordinator to satisfy these training requirements if the public information coordinator is primarily responsible for administering the responsibilities of the Board of Regents with regard to Open Records. The administration recommended that Debbie Barrow, Executive Assistant to the President and Staff Secretary to the Board of Regents, be designated as the public information coordinator for this purpose and receive the appropriate training. He added that Ms. Janus Buss, Director of Public Information, would also receive the Open Records Training as required by statute.

Ms. Haywood moved approval of this recommendation as presented. Mr. Malone seconded the motion and it was approved.

The following individuals then viewed the training video: Mr. Cannedy, Ms. Haywood, Mr. Malone, Mr. Gustafson, Mr. Lalani, Mr. Morefield, Dr. Wiedemann, Dr. Farrell, Mr. Lamb, Mr. Spencer, Dr. Rogers and Ms. Barrow.

Adjournment

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 4:25 p.m.

Reviewed for submission:

Patricia A. Haywood

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