

**SHAWNEE STATE UNIVERSITY
BOARD OF TRUSTEES**

**Meeting Minutes
December 8, 2006**

Chairperson Kay Reynolds called the meeting to order at 1:15 p.m. noting the meeting was in compliance with RC § 121.22(F).

Swearing-in of New Board Member

Ms. Reynolds said the first order of business would be the swearing-in of SSU's new Board member, Mr. David Lodwick. Ms. Reynolds administered the oath of office to Mr. Lodwick and presented him with a Shawnee State University lapel pin. Ms. Reynolds said many tasks are involved in being a member of the Board but it is a very rewarding experience. Ms. Reynolds welcomed Mr. Lodwick to the SSU Board and a round of applause followed.

Roll Call

Members Present: Ms. Reynolds, Chair, Dr. Ball, Mr. Harcha, Ms. Laugle, Mr. Lodwick, Mr. McCoy, Mr. Mooney, Ms. Seif, Mr. Warren and Mr. Campbell

Members Absent: Mr. McKinley

Approval of the December 8, 2006 Agenda

Mr. Harcha moved and Ms. Seif seconded a motion to approve the December 8, 2006 agenda. Without discussion, the Board unanimously approved said agenda.

Approval of the October 13, 2006 Board Meeting Minutes

Dr. Ball moved and Mr. Mooney seconded a motion to approve the October 13, 2006 Board meeting minutes. Without discussion, the Board unanimously approved said minutes.

President's Report

Dr. Morris extended her thanks to everyone for their telephone calls, cards and support during the past several weeks following her hospitalization and convalescence.

Dr. Morris summarized the written report that she submitted to the Board and is made a part of these minutes. As part of the report, Dr. Morris said Dr. David Todt had prepared a white paper regarding the University's strategic plan. Mr. Mooney commented that a lot of work went into the preparation of this report and thanked Dr. Todt for his efforts. Dr. Morris asked the Board if there were any questions regarding the white paper and there being none, thanked Dr. Todt for the report.

Committee Reports

Academic Affairs Committee – Mr. Jim Warren

Mr. Warren reported on behalf of the Academic and Student Affairs Committee and said the committee had one action item.

Mr. Warren said the Academic and Student Affairs Committee recommended approval of Resolution ASA18-06, Honoring the Fall Sports Teams and Individual Athletes. He stated that these honors speak highly of the University because they are not only for the student's athletic ability but their academic ability. Mr. Warren stated the following students were being recognized:

NAIA All-Scholar Athlete:

Star Emmert (Women's Cross Country)
Trisha Krueger (Women's Cross Country)
Carly Cameron (Volleyball)
Kelly Hatas (Women's Soccer)
Beth Eichelberger (Women's Soccer)
Sarah Koehler (Women's Soccer)

American Mideast Conference All-Scholar Athlete

Star Emmert (Women's Cross Country)
Carly Cameron (Volleyball)
Beth Eichelberger (Women's Soccer)
Kelly Hatas (Women's Soccer)
Trisha Krueger (Women's Cross Country)
Sarah Koehler (Women's Soccer)

2nd Team American Mid-East Conference

Star Emmert (Women's Cross Country)
Lisa Davies (Women's Cross Country)
Larry Gardner (Men's Cross Country)
Scott LeMaster (Men's Cross Country)
Gonzalo Perez-Beck (Men's Soccer)
Sarah Koehler (Women's Soccer)

Honorable Mention American Mid-East Conference

Becca Day (Volleyball)
Elizabeth Eby (Volleyball)
Amanda Potts (Women's Soccer)
Samantha Rolsen (Women's Soccer)
Blake Shelton (Men's Soccer)
Jonathan Venters (Men's Soccer)

Mr. Warren moved and Mr. Harcha seconded a motion to approve Resolution ASA18-06, Honoring the Fall Sports Teams and Individual Athletes.

Ayes: Dr. Ball, Mr. Harcha, Mr. Lodwick, Mr. McCoy, Mr. Mooney, Ms. Reynolds, Ms. Seif, Mr. Warren

Nays: None

Mr. Warren reported on the Academic and Student Affairs Committee informational items.

Mr. Warren reported that upon the recommendation of the Faculty Affairs and Development Committee and in accordance with Board Policy 2.04, Dr. Morris approved sabbatical requests for:

Dr. Frank Byrne, Professor, Department of English and Humanities, for winter and spring quarters 2007, to complete research on linguistics originating in French colonial period and interaction with colleagues in France and other western European countries; and

Dr. Julia Coll, Professor, Department of English and Humanities, for winter and spring quarters 2007, to complete a project on multilingualism and third language acquisition.

Mr. Warren stated that sabbaticals are only given every seven years to complete major projects and speaks highly of the staff members to whom they are granted.

Mr. Warren reported that the recommendation to increase fees for special courses and labs would be presented in the form of a resolution through the Finance and Facilities Committee.

Mr. Warren reported that Mr. Steve Gregory, Director of Career Planning and Placement, reported on the first Health Care Career Expo. Mr. Warren said that the career expo was held in the fall because 80-85 percent of our students already had jobs in the spring when the career expo had been held. He stated that over 100 students participated in the career fair.

Mr. Warren said the personnel appointments would be addressed by the Finance and Facilities Committee.

Finance and Facilities – Mr. Jack McCoy

Mr. McCoy began his report with the first information item, a review of the draft Audit Report presented by Mr. Dennis Obyc and Mr. Jeff Zaye representing the audit firm of Crowe Chizek and Company LLC. Mr. McCoy noted that there was a delay in certifying of audits statewide and SSU's report was completed but not yet certified. The preliminary draft was included with the Board packets and the Finance and Facilities Committee accepted the report.

Mr. McCoy then reported on the Finance and Facilities action items.

Mr. McCoy said the Finance and Facilities Committee recommended approval to set Summer 2007 semester tuition and fees, Resolution F31-06. Mr. Harcha moved and Mr. Mooney seconded a motion to approve Resolution F31-06, Summer Tuition Rate.

Ayes: Dr. Ball, Mr. Harcha, Mr. Lodwick, Mr. McCoy, Mr. Mooney, Ms. Reynolds, Ms. Seif, Mr. Warren

Nays: None

Mr. McCoy said the Finance and Facilities Committee recommended approval of Resolution F32-06, Lab Fees. He said this resolution modifies lab fees to reflect the change to semesters, and addresses shortfalls in funding. Mr. Mooney said these fees had not been changed since 2002. Ms. Reynolds said Dr. Field and Dr. Todt had done extensive research on this modification. Dr. Ball moved and Mr. Warren seconded a motion to approve Resolution F32-06.

Ayes: Dr. Ball, Mr. Harcha, Mr. Lodwick, Mr. McCoy, Mr. Mooney, Ms. Reynolds, Ms. Seif, Mr. Warren

Nays: None

Mr. McCoy said the Finance and Facilities Committee recommended approval of Resolution F33-06, Authorizing Declarations of Official Intent under Federal Tax Regulations with Respect to Reimbursements from Tax-Exempt Obligations of Temporary Advances. Mr. McCoy said approval of this resolution permits the University to book pre-construction expenses against future construction bonds, should the project and funding be approved by the Board. Mr. Mooney moved and Dr. Ball seconded a motion to approve Resolution F33-06.

Ayes: Dr. Ball, Mr. Harcha, Mr. Lodwick, Mr. McCoy, Mr. Mooney, Ms. Reynolds, Ms. Seif, Mr. Warren

Nays: None

Mr. McCoy said the Finance and Facilities Committee recommended approval of Resolution F34-06, Grant Proposal. Mr. McCoy said this Enabling and Nurturing Activity Based Learning (ENABL) Grant in the amount of \$200,000 will help improve teacher quality in the instruction of math in grades 5-12 by gaining a better understanding of the content standards through activity based lessons that directly address math content standards. The grant will serve teachers in southeast Ohio, specifically Ross, Pike, Scioto, Adams, Highland and Lawrence Counties. Mr. Harcha moved and Dr. Ball seconded a motion to approve Resolution F34-06.

Ayes: Dr. Ball, Mr. Harcha, Mr. Lodwick, Mr. McCoy, Mr. Mooney, Ms. Reynolds, Ms. Seif, Mr. Warren

Nays: None

Mr. McCoy said the Finance and Facilities Committee recommended approval of Resolution F35-06, Shawnee State University Development Foundation Member Appointments. Mr. McCoy said these appointments were for returning and new board members. He said Mr. Scott Schmidt and Mr. Will Burke were being appointed for their second three-year term and Ms. Debbie Esham, Mr. Bob Smith and Mr. Brian Noble were being appointed to new three year terms. Ms. Seif moved and Dr. Ball seconded a motion to approve Resolution F35-06.

Ayes: Dr. Ball, Mr. Harcha, Mr. Lodwick, Mr. McCoy, Mr. Mooney, Ms. Reynolds, Ms. Seif, Mr. Warren

Nays: None

Mr. McCoy reported on the additional Finance and Facilities Committee informational items.

Mr. McCoy said the Personnel Items were summarized in the attached listing for personnel action taken between October 1, 2006 and November 30, 2006.

Mr. McCoy said the capital status report reflects current information on each capital project. Mr. McCoy said the Health Science building is complete and all other projects were on schedule.

Mr. McCoy said that Mr. Donohue reviewed the general fund revenues and expenditures pace report, fiscal year to date through October 2005 and 2006.

Reports, if any, from Board Liaisons with other Organizations

None.

New Business

Ms. Seif presented Resolution E08-06, Acknowledgment of Larry L. Mangus, Ed.D. on the Occasion of His Retirement. Ms. Seif said she had mixed emotions regarding Dr. Mangus' retirement. She said SSU was losing a very valuable employee but she wished him much success in his retirement. Ms. Seif moved and Mr. Harcha seconded a motion to approve Resolution E08-06.

Ayes: Dr. Ball, Mr. Harcha, Mr. Lodwick, Mr. McCoy, Mr. Mooney, Ms. Reynolds, Ms. Seif, Mr. Warren

Nays: None

Ms. Reynolds presented Dr. Mangus with a plaque to honor his retirement. Dr. Mangus thanked Ms. Reynolds and the other members of the Board and said it had been a pleasure to serve the students at Shawnee State for the past 11-1/2 years. He said SSU is a special place and as long as we remember that we will serve our students well. Ms. Laugle requested it be included in the minutes that Dr. Mangus was instrumental in the founding and continued growth of the University's Phi Eta Sigma chapter. A round of applause followed.

Comments from Constituent Groups (if any) and the Public

None.

Other Business

None.

Executive Session, if necessary

None.

Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned by acclamation at 1:50 p.m.

Chairperson, Board of Trustees

Secretary, Board of Trustees