Minutes of the Special Board of Regents Meeting
Murray State University
April 13, 2007

The Board of Regents of Murray State University met on Friday, April 13, 2007, in special session in the Jesse Stuart Room of Pogue Library on the main campus of Murray State University. The meeting was called to order at 8:10 a.m. by Chair Marilyn Buchanon. Dr. Jay Morgan gave the invocation.

The roll was called and the following members were present: William C. Adams, Beverly Ford, Peg Hays, Jay Morgan, Alan Stout, Jeff Taylor, Vickie Travis, Gina Winchester, and Marilyn Buchanon. Absent: Olivia Burr and Scott Ellison.

Others present were Dr. Randy Dunn, President; Sandra M. Rogers, Assistant to the President and Secretary to the Board of Regents; Tom Denton, Vice President for Finance and Administrative Services and Treasurer of the Board of Regents; Gary Brockway, Provost and Vice President for Academic Affairs; Jim Carter, Vice President for Institutional Advancement; Don Robertson, Vice President for Student Affairs; Dewey Yeatts, Associate Vice President for Facilities Management and Chief Facilities Officer; Bob Jackson, Associate Vice President for Institutional Advancement; John Rall, University Counsel; members of the faculty, staff, students, news media and visitors.

Science Project Funding/Contingency Funding

Background:

With the closure of the 2007 Legislative Session prior to any action being taken on the budgetary language for Phase III of the College of Science Complex, the University is seeking to increase the project scope by $2,650,000 for the New Science Complex Project authorized by the 2005 General Assembly ($15.0 million – 2004/06 Biennium). The funding sources are $400,000 from private donations and $2,250,000 from the General Contingency of the University’s Unrestricted Education and General Fund Balance.

Analysis:

Inasmuch as the University’s effort for a budgetary language interpretation received a negative response, the University’s intent is to bridge funding in order to prevent stoppage of the project and will seek reallocation of current or future appropriations in order to restore the University’s reserves in a special or regular legislative session. Should the reallocation not be approved, the reduction from the University’s reserves would be permanent.

Recommendation:

Following a lengthy discussion, Mr. Stout moved that the Board of Regents, upon the recommendation of the President of the University, approve an increase in the project scope for the New Science Complex Project – Phase II by $2,650,000.

Dr. Morgan seconded and the roll was called with the following voting: Mr. Adams, yes; Mrs. Ford, yes; Ms. Hays, yes; Dr. Morgan, yes; Mr. Stout, yes; Mr. Taylor, yes; Mrs. Travis, yes; Mrs. Winchester, yes; and Mrs Buchanon asked that the following statement be included in the minutes:

"Before I vote I would like to make a comment to explain my vote. This troubles me greatly. I have read all the documents that have been provided and an excellent reply of John Rall’s that went to the Finance and Administration Cabinet after their review. To me it is evident that Murray State has not done anything wrong and I remember very well some seven or eight years ago when Mike Miller went to the Governor and showed him the pictures of our lab at Blackburn
Science Building. The Governor was appalled and that has been seven years ago in the making. What really bothers me about this is the funds that students have paid in tuition and I really hate to see us vote to use the funds this way. I believe the state is obligated to the students of Western Kentucky for us to have a science complex for these students, which is all we wanted to start with was a science complex for our students. I think the money that we are using is coming from student tuition and it is money that has been accumulated by sacrifice of faculty members and staff members as well, but I also think that Tuesday in going to the meeting as Bob and Dr. Dunn appear before this committee that it is very important that they have strong Board support for this. I would like for this to be recorded in the minutes and that is why I am voting yes as well. I think it is important that we have unanimous votes.”

and Mrs. Buchanon, yes. Motion carried.

Clark College Differential Rate

Background:

At the February 23, 2007, meeting of the Board of Regents the standard residential college rate was approved; however, the proposed differential rate of $500 for Clark College was postponed for further study. After additional internal review, the following rates were recommended.

Clark College:

Double Room
2007-2008 Academic year – per semester
Standard Residential College rate plus $350.00

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Clark College will only be available for group residency during summer term.

Private Room
2007-2008 Academic Year – per semester

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Analysis:

The University would reduce other auxiliary expenditure budgets for 2007-08 in the amount of $88,200 to offset the change from $500 to $350 in the differential rate for Clark College.

Recommendation:

After considerable discussion, Mrs. Ford moved that the Board of Regents, upon the recommendation of the President of the University, approve a double room rate for all students living in Clark College of $500 more than the standard residential college room rate, effective 2007-2008 academic year.
Mrs. Winchester seconded and the roll was called with the following voting:
Mr. Adams, yes; Mrs. Ford, yes; Ms. Hays, yes; Dr. Morgan, yes; Mr. Stout, yes;
Mr. Taylor, no; Mrs. Travis, no; Mrs. Winchester, yes; and Mrs. Buchanon, yes. Motion
carried.

Adjournment

Mrs. Ford moved, seconded by Mr. Adams, that the meeting adjourn. Motion
carried. Adjournment was at 10:05 a.m.

Chair

Secretary