

WESTERN ILLINOIS UNIVERSITY
BOARD OF TRUSTEES
June 10-11, 2021

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Western Illinois University
Quad Cities Campus
Moline, Illinois

Agenda Topic	Action
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<u>June 10, 2021 – Riverfront Hall 103 & 104</u>	
Motion to Convene to Open Session – 5:30 p.m. Quad Cities Campus, Moline, IL	Action
Motion to Convene to Closed Session	Action
Motion to re-convene in Open Session	Action
Adjourn	Action
<u>June 11, 2021 – Riverfront Hall 103 & 104</u>	
Motion to Convene to Open Session – 8:30 a.m. Quad Cities Campus, Moline, IL	
Roll Call	Action
Review and Approval of March 25, 2021 Closed Session Minutes and March 26, 2021 Open Session Board Meeting Minutes	Action
Public Comments	
Chairperson’s Remarks Dr. Polly Radosh	
President’s Remarks Dr. Guiyou Huang	

Advisory Group Reports and Comments

Elizabeth Orwig – President, Student Government Association – Macomb
& Ashley Danner– Chief of Staff, Student Government Association – Quad Cities
Dr. Christopher Pynes – Chair, Faculty Senate – Macomb
& Dr. Padmaja Pillutla—Chair, Faculty Council—Quad Cities
Justin Schuch – President, Council of Administrative Personnel
Nicky Friedrichsen – President, Civil Service Employees Council

Assistant to the President for Governmental Relations Report

Jeanette Malafa

Assistant to the President for Diversity and Inclusion Report

Dr. Sterling Saddler

Executive Director of University Communications

Darcie Shinberger

Assistant Vice President, QC Academic Affairs

Dr. Kristi Mindrup

Vice President Reports and Comments

Provost and Academic Vice President

Dr. Martin Abraham

Interim Vice President for Student Services

John Smith

Interim Associate Vice President for Budget and Finance

Dr. Teresa Smith

Finance

Report No. 21.6/1

Report on Annual Fund Contributions
(Executive Officer of the Foundation Brad Bainter)

Report No. 21.6/2

Repair and Maintenance of Official Residence
(Executive Director of Facilities Management Troy Rhoads)

Report No. 21.6/3

Purchases of \$100,000-\$499,999.99
(Interim Associate Vice President for Budget and Finance Dr. Teresa Smith)

- Resolution No. 21.6/1** **Action**
Purchases of \$500,000 and Over – Television Programming Services
(Interim Associate Vice President for Budget and Finance Dr. Teresa Smith)
- Resolution No. 21.6/2** **Action**
Purchases of \$500,000 and Over – Spark Plasma Sintering System
(Interim Associate Vice President for Budget and Finance Dr. Teresa Smith)
- Resolution No. 21.6/3** **Action**
New or Changed Capital Reserves for Non-Indentured Entities
(Interim Associate Vice President for Budget and Finance Dr. Teresa Smith)
- Report No. 21.6/4**
Budget and Financial Data for Quarter Ended March 31, 2021
(Interim Associate Vice President for Budget and Finance Dr. Teresa Smith)
- Resolution No. 21.6/4** **Action**
Authorizing Refunding of Certificates of Participation (COPS)
(Interim Associate Vice President for Budget and Finance Dr. Teresa Smith)
- Resolution No. 21.6/5** **Action**
FY2022 Preliminary Spending Plan
(Interim Associate Vice President for Budget and Finance Dr. Teresa Smith)
- Report No 21.6/5**
Illinois Fraternal Order of Police Labor Council Memorandum of Understanding – 12 Hour Shift
Schedule
(Interim Associate Vice President for Budget and Finance Dr. Teresa Smith)

Academic & Student Services

- Report No 21.6/6**
Report on Fall 2021 Health and Safety Plans
(Interim Vice President for Student Services John Smith and Executive Director of
Auxiliary Services and Risk Management Joe Roselieb)
- Report No. 21.6/7**
Enrollment Update
(Associate Vice President for Enrollment Management Gary Swegan)
- Report No. 21.6/8**
Annual Listing of Academic Program Changes
(Provost Martin Abraham)
- Report No. 21.6/9**
Report on Academic Affairs Hiring Activity
(Provost Martin Abraham)

Report No. 21.6/10

HLC Reaffirmation of Accreditation Report and Findings
(Associate Provost & Associate VP, Academic Affairs, Mark Mossman)

Resolution No. 21.6/6

Tenure Recommendations for 2021-2022
(Provost Martin Abraham)

Action

General Discussion and Action Items

Resolution No. 21.6/7

Release of Closed Session Meeting Minutes
(Legal Counsel Liz Duvall)

Action

Resolution No. 21.6/8

Election of Officers of the Board for July 1, 2021-June 30, 2022

Action

Resolution No. 21.6/9

Elect Trustee to Serve on State Universities Civil Service Merit Board
(Western Illinois University Board of Trustees)

Action

Old Business

Resolution No. 21.3/6

Cost Guarantee for Graduate Students
(Interim Associate Vice President for Budget and Finance Dr. Teresa Smith)

Action

New Business

Board Retreat

Proclamation

Next Meetings

September 9 & 10, 2021
December 1 & 2, 2021

Adjourn

Action

- The meeting will be streamed live at <https://www.youtube.com/user/WesternIllinoisU>
- Public comments will be read during the meeting. Public comments can be emailed to ND-Friedrichsen@wiu.edu . Comments must be less than 500 words in length and received by **June 10th by 12:00 p.m.**

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June 11, 2021

Review and Approval of the Meeting Minutes of: March 26, 2021

Minutes will be available for review at:

http://www.wiu.edu/board_of_trustees/minutes/index.php

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Division of Academic Affairs Report

College of Arts and Sciences

Biology:

- Q&A seminar with WIU Alumni Ben Boda at Pfizer working on the Covid vaccine February 23 at 3 pm. Ben did his MS Biology degree with Rich Musser, and Rich invited other former students back to present via Zoom for RISE, the LLC, the department, and one of his courses.
- ^a Ranessa Cooper received a \$3,024 grant from The Hanes Trust for “Long-Term Assessment of a Novel Reclamation in Grand Mere State Park in Berrien County, Michigan.” The project duration is May 1, 2021 – December 31, 2021. The purpose of this project is to provide long-term assessment of a novel reclamation in Grand Mere State Park.

Chemistry:

- Funded grant from the Department of Justice (\$160,181) in 2021 entitled “Validation of LC-DAD-ESI/MS/MS method for accurate measurement of delta9-THC and delta-9-THCA among 20 cannabinoids.” Dr. Ligu Song-Principle Investigator.
- Approval was granted of a DEA License for controlled substance purchase and storage to support the Forensic Chemistry program and forensic chemistry research
- A Mass Spectra workshop was held May 20-21 to teach hands-on training of the Mass Spectrometry – attended by faculty from 4 Illinois Institutions of Higher Learning.
- Illinois State Academy of Science held a virtual meeting April 9-10, 2021. Eight Chemistry students and three physics students represented WIU at this virtual conference. Madison Chao, Chemistry MS graduate student, won the top award for best student presentation.
- Five chemistry faculty published peer reviewed articles in highly regarded journals in the past year, including one in the US Public Library of Science (PLOS-One).

Earth, Atmospheric, and Geographic Information Sciences (EAGIS):

- Successfully offered online tutoring center support for departmental courses throughout the academic year. Students were tutored via Zoom video and Google Meet video meetings.
- Successfully placed 4 graduate students and 6 undergraduate students in the GIS Center. The students are working full-time in the summer of 2021.

English:

- All English Education alums from 19-20 and 20-21 have found employment, resulting in 100% placement in their chosen field.

- Gained approval for two new options--Professional Writing and Creative Writing--to reflect our students' needs and desires.

Foreign Languages and Literatures (FLL):

- More than 30 students were awarded substantial competitive departmental scholarships. Most of these scholarships require a 3.5 GPA. Financial problems are the main difficulty for most of our students and we managed to help several students, allowing them to continue their academic studies.
- Added extra office hours by appointment in all faculty's syllabus as part of a mentoring program. The change was successful in terms of retention. This close mentoring process helped to identify students who needed extra personal attention in overcoming difficulties and continuing their studies.

History:

- Peter Cole is co-chairing the Labor and Working Class History Association Conference from May 20-27 in Chicago.

IES / ES PhD:

- Our first two Ph.D. students have officially graduated. One student attended the WIU QC commencement ceremony on May 16, 2021. Both students are fully employed in senior technical positions. One works for a company that is expanding its technical and manufacturing presence in the Quad Cities.
- Prof. Roger Viadero served as a program evaluator for the Engineers Without Borders UK's 2021 Engineering for the People Challenge for undergraduate students from the US, the UK, South Africa, and Ireland.
- The Institute for Environmental Studies co-hosted the First Quad Cities Water Technology Demonstration Day at the Quad Cities Conservation Alliance's Wetland Complex in East Moline, IL.

Liberal Arts and Sciences (LAS):

- **Faculty research activities:** Dr. Sarah Haynes became co-editor of the Canadian Journal of Buddhist Studies in January 2022. Dr. Amy Carr published the article "Law-Gospel Theologies of the State of Exception" (with Christine Helmer), *Dialog* 60, no. 1 (March 2021): 54-64, as well as "Christian Feminist Theology: History and Methods," in Arabic translation in *Feminist Polemics in Abrahamic Religions: History and Approaches* (Al-Mesbar Institute, 2020). Dr. Lori Baker-Sperry (with Mark Mossman and Justin Schuch) presented "Shared Purpose: Altering Institutions to Support Student Success During Covid-19" at the 2021 Assessment Institute annual conference.
- **Student research activities:** Anna Lucken (Anthropology major/Religious Studies minor) was awarded second prize for the Phi Kappa Phi Essay Contest for a paper titled "Religions without God(s): The Emergence of Religion from Atheism". Two students provided recorded presentations at Undergraduate Research Day in April 2021: Teonna Wade, LAS

major/African American Studies minor, presented on "The New Forms of African American Religion in Pop Culture," and John Miller, LAS major/Religious Studies minor, presented on "Calvinism and Arminianism: A Road to Reconciliation."

Mathematics & Philosophy

- Completed the revision of Mathematics lower level courses Math 099 and Math 100.
- Revised and streamlined mathematics placement procedures.
- Dr. Susie Brooks received CAS Outstanding Faculty in Teaching.

Nursing:

- For the third year, the SON is a participant in the National League of Nursing grant Translating Evidence into Practice.
- Aided McDonough and Hancock counties with COVID-19 shot clinics

Physics:

- While the traditional physics minor is growing in popularity with 15 currently listed minors, which is the highest number in more than a decade, we have created a new Conceptual Physics Minor for students, from any other discipline offered on campus, who are interested in learning about the modern advances in Physics but are not conversant in higher-level mathematics. We hope to democratize the ideas of Physics and popularize them across our campus through this new minor.
- Made science accessible to the middle and high-school students and the general public with the creation of Virtual Science Saturday. This event takes place on the first Saturday of the month when the university is in session. We have had seven episodes so far which not only attracted live audience but also have picked up sufficient views on the Department's YouTube channel.

Political Science:

- Julia Albarracin has been named Distinguished Faculty Lecturer for 2021-2022.

Psychology:

- In November 2020, the Department of Psychology's Specialist in School Psychology program hosted a second annual meet-and-greet between students and potential internship sites.
- In academic year 2020-21, the Department of Psychology's Psychology Clinic successfully transitioned to offering tele-health options to clients seeking mental health services. We were fully tele-health in Fall 2020, and offered a combination of face-to-face and tele-health opportunities to clients, depending on their preference, in the spring 2021 semester.

Sociology and Anthropology:

- The Sociology undergraduate degree has been revised to include hands-on learning experiences geared toward students' individual academic and professional goals. Beginning fall 2021, incoming majors will elect to complete either an internship or an individualized

project under the mentorship of a faculty member. Internships have long been a part of our sociology major, but now serve as a capstone experience option. Students have interned at a variety of sites and agencies, including Quincy Teen REACH, Department of Human Services, Rock Island County Probation Office, Genesis Garden, and the Ashaunti Residential Management System, Inc. The second capstone option is an individualized project and will provide students with training and skill-development in areas such as data collection, statistical analysis, evaluation and assessment research, applied sociology, and grant, research, and policy proposal writing.

- The Anthropology program has been ranked in the top ten in the nation for online Anthropology programs since its inception according to *U.S. News & World Report* and *SR Education Group*.
- The WIU Archaeological Field School experienced a dramatic growth in interest for this summer, with a dozen students from WIU and other institutions around the country currently registered to participate in the 8 week long program at the Orendorf/Rice Lake sites in Fulton County. Field school students receive hands-on training in excavation and forensic archaeological field techniques at this historically significant and unusual, multi-component site.
- Over the past five years Anthropology continued to increase the number of majors (by 340%) and minors (by 179%) and delivered steady, even slightly increasing, student credit hours.

College of Business and Technology

School of Agriculture

- Agriculture Legacy Sale was held on April 27th. Over the last five years the sale has raised \$190,000 to support the Animal Science curriculum and Livestock Judging Team travel.
- The 49th Annual Bull Test Sale was held at Lowderman's Sale Facility in March. Three WIU raised bulls were in the sale, which is a first for the Agriculture program. http://www.wiu.edu/news/newsrelease.php?release_id=17791
- The School of Agriculture conducted an electronic Lamb Sale which raised \$19,275 on 12 head. One champion lamb sold for \$7,500, which set a record for a WIU lamb.

School of Accounting, Finance, Economics and Decision Sciences

- Data Analytics graduate program has experienced growth despite the pandemic. Five straight years of growth in both Macomb and QC and the program now exceeds 40 students.
- Graduate students in Data Analytics participated in the annual case competition and placed in the top 5 of the prestigious Iowa Graduate Business Analytics Case competition and they partnered with the Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation for the challenge. WIU Students were competing against Tier 1 research schools and therefore placing among the top 5 is a significant accomplishment for our program.

Accounting:

- The Macomb chapter of Beta Alpha Psi (professional accounting fraternity) placed 2nd in the regional "Invest in your Community" competition.
- WIU Accounting students participated in VITA (Volunteer Income Tax Assistance programs this spring and processed a record setting number of returns/reviews. The unit partnered with contacts at RSM and other schools to expand operations resulting in a positive impact on the QC community and provided students excellent hands-on experience.
- Several curriculum adjustments were made in both MA/BB in order to better prepare accounting students for increased usage of data analytics in the profession. The Master of Accounting program has also added a graduate accounting analytics class to the core and expanded opportunities for managerial accounting by adding a managerial emphasis to the degree.

Economics:

- The Economics curriculum (BB) is being aligned with the needs of the Certified Business Economist exam and therefore receives an official endorsement from the National Association of Business Economists.

Finance:

- The program is actively realigning the curriculum so that it can be officially recognized and endorsed for the CFP exam. The discipline is exploring possibilities for the CFA and Treasury Management certification.

School of Computer Science

The Cybersecurity program has been accepted into Cycle 8 review for the Center of Academic Excellence (CAE) Designation.

The National Centers of Academic Excellence in Cybersecurity (NCAE-C) program is managed by the National Cryptologic School at the National Security Agency. Federal Partners include the Cybersecurity and Infrastructure Security Agency (CISA), the Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI), the National Institute of Standards and Technology (NIST)/National Initiative on Cybersecurity Education (NICE), the National Science Foundation (NSF), the Department of Defense Office of the Chief Information Officer (DoD-CIO), and US Cyber Command (CYBERCOM).

The mission of the National Centers of Academic Excellence in Cybersecurity (NCAE) program is to create and manage a collaborative cybersecurity educational program with community colleges, colleges, and universities that

- Establishes standards for cybersecurity curriculum and academic excellence,
- Includes competency development among students and faculty,
- Values community outreach and leadership in professional development,
- Integrates cybersecurity practice within the institution across academic disciplines,
- Actively engages in solutions to challenges facing cybersecurity education.

Academic institutions may choose from three designations. The designation process is a combination of elements related to the institution focused on outputs for determining academic achievement. This combination assures that the institution meets the desired characteristics of a CAE institution, and that the academic delivery to students is producing the qualified workforce needed by the nation.

CAE-designated institutions must complete validation of a Program of Study (PoS) which is a series of courses and experiences that a student can reasonably accomplish in the course of attaining a degree or completing a certificate.

- **The Cyber Defense Education (CAE-CDE)** Designation is awarded to regionally accredited academic institutions offering cybersecurity degrees and/or certificates at the Associates, Bachelors and graduate levels.
- **The Cyber Research (CAE-R)** designation is awarded to DoD schools, PhD producing military academies, or regionally accredited, degree granting four-year institutions rated by the Carnegie Foundation Basic Classification system as either a Doctoral University - Highest Research Activity (R1), Doctoral University - Higher Research Activity (R2), or Doctoral University - Moderate Research Activity (R3).
- **The Cyber Operations (CAE-CO)** program is a deeply technical, interdisciplinary, higher education program firmly grounded in the computer science, computer engineering, and/or electrical engineering disciplines, with extensive opportunities for hands-on applications via labs and exercises.

School of Engineering & and Department of Engineering Technology

Mr. Rafael Obregon will be appointed as Interim Director of the newly created School of Engineering and Technology. He joined Western Illinois University in 1996 and has been an integral member of the Department of Engineering Technology. Since 2019, Mr. Obregon has served as the Interim Chair of that unit.

As an engineer by training, Mr. Obregon is dedicated to embracing the strengths of each of the disciplines contained in the new School of Engineering and Technology. For perspective, the Department of Engineering Technology, as originally conceived, was founded in 1903 as the Program of Manual Training and became a department with a 4-year program in 1918. It was renamed the Department of Industrial Arts in 1924. By 1969, the unit had evolved into the Department of Industrial Education and Technology. In 1998, the Department adopted its current focus as the Department of Engineering Technology. As an applied technology discipline, the unit joined the College of Business and Technology in the mid-1990s when the university reduced the number of colleges.

The School of Engineering was created in 2009 and QCML (Quad City Manufacturing Lab), which is currently housed at the Rock Island Arsenal was created that same year. In 2010, the School of Engineering received ABET accreditation for the General Engineering Program. Accreditation for the Mechanical Engineering program was earned in 2016. Civil and Electrical Engineering programs were added in 2019 and are scheduled to be considered for accreditation in Fall 2021. The school was led by Dr. William Pratt until his retirement last month.

Engineering and Engineering Technology both represent disciplines that utilize technology to effect innovation and efficiencies into the applied creation of value-added products and related processes. As applied, professional fields, the new School of Engineering and Technology will represent a spectrum of technology application that serves as a direct connection to the same post-graduation employment opportunities for students at multiple touch points within those industry partners across both campus locations.

- Engineering Technology acquired a number of pieces of equipment including PLCs, sensors, programming pads, tools, connectors, dies and progressive molds through a gift from Method Electronics, Carthage, IL. Portions of the equipment will be incorporated to stations in the control labs in both Macomb and Quad Cities and some other elements will be used as examples for materials and production related courses.
- The ETL 548 Class, Planning Techniques for Leaders, is partnering with the Study Abroad & Outreach-Sponsored Student Shop in the Macomb Train Station. Engineering Technology will be supplying student-manufactured products to the store.
- A graduate project was completed by Tim Landini to design a production cell and introduce the forging process to undergraduate Engineering Technology students. This will be the first time in about 45 years since the process was taught. The hardware needed for the cell is being procured through donations.

College of Education and Human Services

Dean's Office Highlights

- COEHS has established a Student retention fund that has a total of \$9,788.29. In addition to three named scholarships (COEHS Dean's Office Non-Traditional Freshman, Educators for Tomorrow and Alejandro Valdez Scholarship) that come out of this fund, it is also designed to assist students who have financial barriers that are keeping them from registering from one semester to the other. Currently, about 40% of students who do not register from one semester to the other have financial difficulties listed as one of the major factors. We will continue our efforts in raising funds to support this endeavor and hopefully reduce the financial factor as one of the leading causes impeding student retention.
- COEHS Social Committee organized its first annual COEHS Cares Trivia Night. From this event, we were able to raise \$550 for the COEHS Student Retention Fund. The Student Retention Fund is money that can be used to assist students who need some additional funds to lower their balances in order to be able to register for spring classes. In addition to the money raised, it was a great opportunity for faculty and staff to engage in some virtual fellowship.
- The College is hosting a free one-day online Student Success & Social Justice Summit. The event will explore equity and inclusion practices, research and pedagogy of student success. Expected participants are about 375. This is sponsored by the GradCenter and the school of Graduate Studies at Western Illinois University. This event will be held on June 16, 2021 and the link is provided here for convenience
<http://www.wiu.edu/coehs/sjs/index.php>

- The College will soon be launching its comprehensive Recruitment, Retention, and Student Success Strategic Plan within the broad framework of the university's plan.
- The College has revamped the Post-Secondary Track of the Educational Leadership Doctoral Program. We have recruited 30 plus students from 11 countries to begin in fall 2021. We are in the process of completing the paperwork to rename the Post-Secondary Track Educational Leadership for Equity, Justice and Inclusion.
- In the fall of 2021 the college will be launching two Newsletters, one for internal consumption and the other for 'Critical Influencers' and the outside community.

Health Sciences and Social Work.

- Maureen Bezold created a partnership with Global Public Health TeleBrigades to enrich students' experiences in the public health graduate program. Nine students participated in the virtual initiative this spring 2021 semester. Students gained experience similar to that of a study abroad program, without having to actually travel out of the country. They conducted research on several health topics and provided suggestions to the target population. Such public health surveillance in Honduras, namely on environmental health hazards, and the subsequent provision of suggested mitigation efforts can have a positive impact on the health outcomes of Hondurans in the long term. The students who participated in the experience received positive feedback from the site. The students also shared very positive feedback about their experiences. The department hopes to participate in the experience again in the future.
- Maureen Bezold, Kaycee Peterman, and Lorette Oden worked with the Illinois Higher Education Center (IHEC) to coordinate and host three one-hour webinars on violence; safety; and alcohol and other drugs during the month of April. The lecture series was conducted in collaboration with the public health students, the AOD Resource Center and WIU OPS. The training was available to college and university staff statewide.

Kinesiology

- Dr. Ritchie Gabbei, Dr. Tammi Bories, and Anne Dixon were nominated for the Veterans Leadership Awards by a student called up to active duty. The Department of Kinesiology was awarded the Outstanding Department Award for their efforts in assisting this student.
- Dietetics, Exercise Science, Scuba, the Food Pantry and the Student Association for Nutrition and Dietetics participated in World Health Day at the Rec Center.

Law Enforcement and Justice Administration

- On April 15th, Harvey Petry, the FBI Applicant Coordinator for Springfield Division, and Alex Rogers, an FBI Agent who is a recent WIU graduate, spoke to LEJA students about career opportunities with the FBI.
- LEJA faculty provided training for all Macomb Police Officers and WIU Public Safety officers on the "SAFE-T Act"; or the Criminal Justice Reform Bill that goes into effect on 7/1/2021.

Recreation, Park, and Tourism Administration

- RPTA hosted its annual Professional Development Conference via Zoom on during April.

- Taylor Brooks presented her thesis research at the Illinois Parks and Recreation Association conference about ways rural communities can better meet Black residents’ leisure needs.
- LEJA, RPTA, and Military Science hosted a virtual and in person “Become a Hero” Open House on April 17.

School of Education

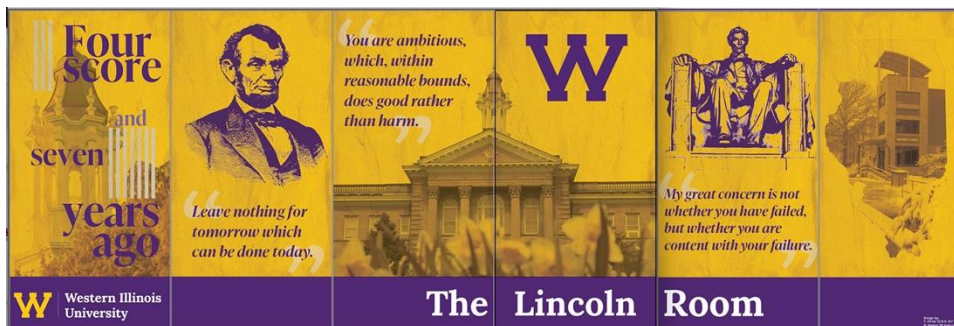
- Western Illinois University’s Infant and Preschool Center’s Silver Circle of Quality designation from ExceleRate Illinois has been renewed for three additional years. The center first received the designation in 2018 as part of the State of Illinois’ new quality recognition and improvement system for early learning and development providers. ExceleRate Illinois is a comprehensive system that includes Licensed Child Care Centers, Licensed Family Child Care, Preschool for All and Center-Based Prevention Initiative Programs, Head Start and Early Head Start Programs. The organization is administered through INCCRRA under the joint direction of the Governor’s Office of Early Childhood Development, the Illinois Department of Human Services, and the Illinois State Board of Education.
- Nearly 90 students have been accepted into the new MAT program which is designed to address the current teacher shortage in the areas of special education, math and science. Additionally, the School of Education has developed three programs meant to serve practicing paraprofessionals who want to get their teaching license in the areas of early childhood, elementary education, and special education and do so while keeping their paraprofessional position.

College of Fine Arts and Communication

Art and Design

Mavigliano/Brabec Award - Andrea Kliffmiller - started as Project Director for The HUB Arts and Cultural Center in May.

University Union - Lincoln Room "Mural" designed by students in Diana's Higgins graphic Design Class



Co-Hosted Internationally renowned artist Shepard Fairey - Virtual Artist discussion.

Broadcasting and Journalism

11 Total State and National Awards for 2020-2021 in Broadcasting and Journalism

Department of Broadcasting and Journalism won five awards at the annual Illinois News Broadcasters Association (INBA) Leatherneck Insider won first place in Outstanding Sports Television Program, while NEWS3 won second place in Outstanding Television Newscast. **Devin Brooks**, a senior broadcasting and journalism major, from St. Louis, MO, won first place in Outstanding Television News Reporting and Outstanding Television Sports Reporting. **RJ Larson**, a senior sports broadcasting major, from Burlington, WI, won second place for Outstanding Radio Sports Reporting. NEWS3 staffer **Yolotzin Franco**, a senior broadcasting major from Carpentersville, IL, earned the Larry Wilson Scholarship.

NEWS3, won a broadcasting award at the annual National Undergraduate Student Electronic Media Competition, hosted by NBS March 28. Additionally, two NEWS3 staffers Jenna Skarlupka, a senior broadcasting and journalism major, from Freeport, IL, and Cayson Frerichs, a senior broadcasting and journalism major, from Geneseo, IL, won a national award in the Web News Article category for "COVID-19 by the Numbers: WIU reports positive tests 'administered by the University.'"

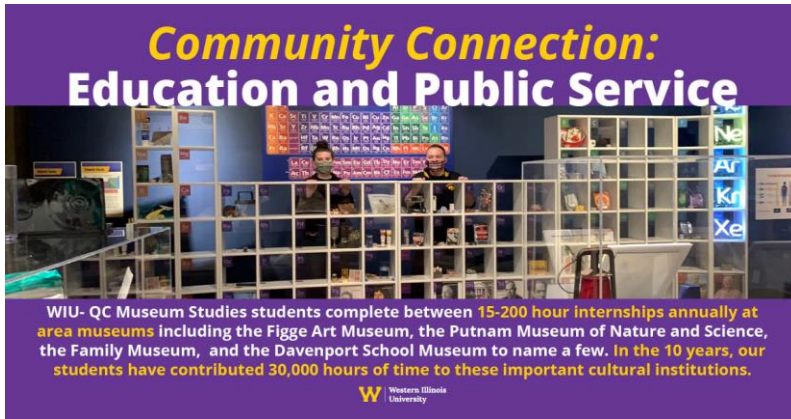
NEWS3, won Best College TV Station, and Sports Media and NEWS3 won two individual student awards on March 6 at the annual Intercollegiate Broadcasting System (IBS) Media Awards. NEWS3, the student-run television news station, won Best College TV Station overall. Jenna Skarlupka, a senior broadcasting and journalism major, from Freeport, IL and of NEWS3, won Best Use of Graphics for the graphic COVID-19 Status Update, and senior broadcasting and journalism major RJ Larson, of Burlington, WI, won for Best Sports Pre-Game/Post-Game Show for the WIU vs Oral Roberts interview with Women's Basketball Coach JD Gravina.

Communication

Six students were inducted into Western Illinois University's chapter of Lambda Pi Eta (LPH), the National Communication Association's student honor fraternity, during the Spring 2021 semester.

The Pi Pi Chapter of Lambda Pi Eta inductees are Terry C. Smith, a junior communication major, of Canton, IL; Kelsey Cook, a senior communication major, of Bettendorf, IA; Rebecca Aderoju, a graduate student communication major, of Nigeria; Gabriella Gonzalo, a junior communication major, of Ottawa, IL; Lissette Cavazos, a senior communication major, of Waukegan, IL; and Emma Formhals, a senior speech pathology and audiology major, of Canton, IL.

Museum Studies



School of Music

The Marching Leathernecks have been invited to perform in the Pearl Harbor Memorial Parade on Pearl Harbor Day, December 7, 2021, in Honolulu, Hawaii. They will march alongside US veterans and will give a feature performance at the USS Missouri memorial.

The WIU Wind Ensemble under the direction of Dr. Mike Fansler, Director of Bands, has been selected to perform at the Illinois Music Education Conference in January 2022.

The School of Music anticipates the first degrees in the Master of Music in Music Education program, launched in the Fall 2019 semester, to be conferred in Summer 2021. The program has grown quickly and now has 24 students enrolled.

Student and Alumni Awards and Achievements

- The **University Singers** were named the third-place national winners of The American Choral Prize in Choral Performance (University/College Division) and were finalists in the American Music Category; they won first place in the Harmony in Cultures International Choral Competition (Folk Songs Category) and received a gold medal; they received a gold medal and were named Grand Prix Finalists for the Rimini International Choral Competition (Folk Songs Category).
- **Music Therapy:** 7 graduates of the Music Therapy program became Board Certified Music Therapists in the Fall 2020 semester; 5 Music Therapy students were selected through peer review to present at the Great Lakes Region/Midwest Region of the American Music Therapy Association conference in March 2021.
- **Music Education:** Three music education majors who graduated in December 2020—Morgan Miller, Suzi Arns, and Eriqne Johnson—have been appointed to teaching positions in public schools in Illinois.
- **Paula Ramirez** ('20, BM Music Therapy) was named WIU's recipient of the 2020–21 Lincoln Academy of Illinois Student Laureate Award in October 2020.
- **Morgan Miller** ('20, BM Music Education) was named the Fall 2020 COFAC College Scholar.

- **Mario Andrey Cruz Vargas** ('20 MM Instrumental Conducting) was appointed the Musical Director of the Banda de Conciertos de Limón in Costa Rica in December 2020.
- **Sean Klink** ('20 MM Composition) composed a string quartet that will be performed by the Arditti String Quartet at the 2021 June In Buffalo Festival.
- **Justin Davis** ('09 MM Instrumental Conducting), Director of Bands at the University of Wisconsin-La Crosse, will conduct his wind ensemble in the world premiere of *Letters from the Traveling Doll* by Nicole Piunno in the Spring 2021 semester.
- **Isidora Miranda** ('11 MM Musicology and Violin Performance) was awarded a Provost Postdoctoral Scholar in Musicology at the Blair School of Music, Vanderbilt University.
- **Joshua Pitt** (Vocal Performance/Music Education Major) won 2nd Place in his division in the National Association of Teachers of Singing Vocal Competition in June 2020 after being selected from 755 semi-finalists nationwide. In the Fall 2020 semester, he was selected to compete in the 2020-21 Metropolitan Opera National Council Auditions and audition for the Glimmerglass and Saratoga Opera Young Artist Programs.
- **Madalyn Pridemore** (Violin Performance Major) was awarded first prize in her category in the Asociația Culturală Arta Sonoră's "Rezonanțe Sonore Online" International Festival.
- **Gisselle Sanchez Diaz** (Violin Performance Major) was awarded a Special Prize and first mention at the "Prestissimo" International Violin Competition in Romania.
- **Robin Butler** (flute), **Maria Angelica Gonzalez Iraheta** (viola), and **Alice Müller** (violin) were selected as winners of the WIU Concerto Competition and performed with the Symphony Orchestra in March.

School of Music Faculty Accomplishments 2020-2021

- **Whitney Ashe** (Instructor, Piano) composed "The Circuitous Six" featured on The Rivertown Duo's recent recording "For Claire and Phillip" and was featured on a podcast presented by the Universidad Nacional de Asuncion in Paraguay hosted by Daniel Ayala ('20 MM Jazz Studies).
- **Courtney Blankenship** (Associate Professor, Music Business) has been invited to speak at a John Mellencamp Retrospective organized by Indiana University in Bloomington, IN, discussing the influence of Mellencamp, pop music, and political/social movements.
- **Bruce Briney** (Professor, Trumpet), along with WIU brass faculty **Jena Gardner** (Assistant Professor, Horn), **James Land** (Assistant Professor, Tuba), and **John Mindeman** (Associate Professor, Trombone and Euphonium), hosted Brassfest in January 2021, presenting four of the nation's top orchestral performers from the Philadelphia Orchestra, Cincinnati Symphony, St. Louis Symphony, and the University of Michigan in masterclasses with School of Music students.
- **Jeffrey Brown** (Director, School of Music) is featured as pianist with the Pangaea Chamber Players on the album *Three Perspectives* released by Navona Records in January 2021.
- **Rich Cangro** (Professor, Music Education) presented at the Wyoming Music Educators Association State Conference in January 2021.

- **Joanne Chang** (Faculty Assistant, Staff Accompanying) performed at the College Music Society National Conference and was a panelist at the Indiana Music Teachers Association Conference in the Fall 2020 semester; she was awarded the first prize in the 2021 Charleston International Music Competition and will be a Collaborative Piano Fellow at the Music Academy of the West in Santa Barbara, CA, this summer.
- **John Cooper** (Director, Jazz Studies) received the COFAC Award for Excellence in University and Community Service in the Fall 2020 semester.
- **Jason Hawkins** (Assistant Professor, Choral Music Education) presented clinics for 12 high school choirs in Illinois, Iowa, and Missouri, and at the ILMEA State-Wide Virtual District Jr. Choir Festival; he served on the review panel for the International Symposium of Assessment in Music Education and has received invitations to conduct numerous choral festivals throughout the region.
- **Jennifer Jones** (Professor, Music Therapy) was selected as a member of the Advisory Council for the College Music Society and continues to serve as Associate Editor for Music Therapy Perspectives, one of two national journals in music therapy.
- **Suyeon Ko** (Instructor, Flute) presented masterclasses at the University of North Texas, Texas A&M University Commerce, and Coe College. She has been invited to present a lecture recital at the Texas Flute Society Flute Festival in the Spring 2021 semester.
- **Natalie Landowski** (Instructor, Piano) will be featured as the pianist in Duo Vespa on a 2021 recording titled "In a Woman's Voice: Spoken-Word Compositions by American Women"; the recording is supported by a grant from the University of Iowa and the Society for American Music. She served as an adjudicator for the 2020 MTNA Illinois State Piano Competition and will judge the Peoria Symphony Guild Young Artists Competition and the National Federation Piano Festival in Des Moines, IA, in 2021.
- **Kenneth Lee** (Director, Orchestral Activities) will be the featured soloist with the New England Conservatory Symphonic Winds in an upcoming recording at Jordan Hall in Boston and serves as the Artistic Director of the Flatirons Chamber Music Festival (CO); in the Fall 2020 semester, he served as an adjudicator for the Music Teachers National Association Chamber Music Competition and the ILMEA All State Auditions.
- **Brian Locke** (Professor, Musicology) was named the 2021 Distinguished Faculty Lecturer and will present a lecture in March 2021 titled, "The Improbable Tangos of Prague: Exoticism and National Identity in Czech Popular Music, 1918-1948."
- **Emily Sevcik** (Assistant Professor, Music Therapy) presented a session at the American Music Therapy Association's National Virtual Conference titled "The Professional Life of Eva Augusta Vescelius Prior to 1900"; in March 2021, she will be co-presenting a session at the Great Lakes/Midwestern Regions of AMTA Virtual Conference with two WIU music therapy alumni titled "We're Not Leaving the Field! Expanding Development by Pursuing Divergent Advanced Degrees."
- **Penelope Shumate** (Associate Professor, Voice) performed the title role in *Kassandra*, a world premiere of an opera by Rice University composer Anthony Brandt, and will be

featured in an upcoming recording of the work. She presented a masterclass at James Madison University in the Fall 2020 semester.

- **Istvan Szabo** (Professor, Viola) will be featured on a recording project for the Bayreuth Young Artists Festival in 2021.
- **Lynn Thompson** (Associate Professor, Voice) will be playing the lead role in a virtual reading of the new musical *Excelsius* in April 2021.
- **Brian Winnie** (Director, Choral Activities) served as editor and contributing author for *The Choral Conductor's Companion*, a compilation of 100 articles written by choral/vocal professionals from around the world and distributed by GIA Publications. He also published a peer-reviewed article, "Score Analysis for Vocal Skill Development," in the *International Choral Bulletin* and "Words are in the Mouth, Quality is in the Throat" for the Illinois ACDA *Podium*. Winnie was named the second-place national winner of The American Prize in Conducting (Chorus, Schools Division).

Theatre and Dance

A trio of Western Illinois University Department of Theatre and Dance faculty have been contracted to do a summer production of "Always...Patsy Cline!" at the Ozark Actors Theatre in Rolla, MO, July 8-18.

Theatre and Dance Chair Tammy Killian, Associate Professor and Musical Theatre Director Lysa Fox and Professor Emeritus Bill Kincaid will perform the show. Info at: ozarkactorstheatre.org/patsycline.

The Spring 21 Musical of *Kiss Me Kate* has been selected as the cover shot for the 2022 edition of the textbook The Enjoyment of Theatre. Photo By Sarah Ritter-VPS



Centennial Honors College

2021 Thomas E. Helm Undergraduate Research Conference (Virtual) – Macomb and QC students

- 115 Registrants
- 39 recorded scholarly presentations and 2 recorded performances
- 24 live poster presentations; 3 live podium presentations
- Participating Colleges: Arts and Sciences; Business and Technology; Education and Human Services; Fine Arts and Communication

Spring 2021 Graduates

- 75 (up to 35 more are possible after round two degrees are posted on June 2, 2021)

Contacts to Eligible Students

- Fall 2021 - 746 recruiting letters to freshmen; 179 letters to transfer students, thus far

Current Enrollment

- 699 (800 anticipated for fall 2021); the College averages between 80 to 100 new students entering during fall semesters)

Number of Honors Research Grants awarded for student research

- 10

Registrar

The number of degrees conferred for Spring 2021 consist of:

63 Bachelor of Arts in General Studies
679 traditional undergraduates
272 Masters
3 Doctoral

WESTERN ILLINOIS UNIVERSITY BOARD OF TRUSTEES

June 11, 2021

Report No. 21.6/2 Repair and Maintenance of Official Residence

SUMMARY BY FISCAL YEAR

University Residence Facilities Management Time and Material Charges

Dept	Fiscal Year - TOTAL COST								
	FY14	FY15	FY16	FY17	FY18	FY19	FY20	Average	FY21TD
BM	\$2,689	\$7,404	\$1,155	\$1,495	\$2,672	\$991	\$3,693	\$2,871	\$6,731
BS	\$1,014	\$1,666	\$562	\$520	\$418	\$883	\$2,930	\$1,142	\$5,581
LM	\$11,142	\$11,492	\$18,055	\$7,721	\$6,929	\$5,625	\$4,688	\$9,379	\$9,292
MM	\$1,050	\$3,898	\$590	\$2,188	\$1,776	\$563	\$3,089	\$1,879	\$3,543
FP&C	\$33,930	\$21,442	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$7,910	\$2,112
Total	\$49,825	\$45,902	\$20,362	\$11,924	\$11,795	\$8,063	\$14,400	\$23,182	\$27,260

As you see by the above chart at the direction of the President there has not been the annual updates made to the University Residence. The increase in maintenance occurred this year with preparations for the incoming President. The residence was thoroughly cleaned top to bottom. The largest cost was incurred for tree removal and landscaping needs. Along with the outdoor work there was some interior painting, in particular to the upstairs bedrooms, the appliances were serviced, and any other glaring issues were addressed.

This report has been reviewed this with Dr Huang and plans have been made to resume the directed expenditure in FY 22. Facilities will focus on the parking lot and driveway with plans to update appliances in the near future as well as future interior updates that will be considered.

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Report No. 21.6/3 Purchases of \$100,000-\$499,999.99 Exempt Purchases of \$100,000 - \$249,999

Vendor	Type of Purchase	Annual Amount (unless otherwise noted)	Number of Bids
Dell Marketing LP; Round Rock, TX	Dell computers and monitors for uTech upgrades (qty 105 ea)	\$107,943.15	IPHEC
Kemper Construction Inc; Canton, IL	Horn Field Campus Pavilion (100% foundation-funded)	\$127,164.00	3

Purchases of \$250,000 - \$499,999 Receiving Presidential Approval

Vendor	Type of Purchase	Annual Amount (unless otherwise noted)	Number of Bids
None			

Purchases \$500,000 and above Exempt from BOT Approval

Vendor	Type of Purchase	Annual Amount (unless otherwise noted)	Number of Bids
Dell Marketing LP; Round Rock, TX	Laptops, monitors, docking stations, peripherals for faculty/staff to enable a mobile workforce, including providing webcam capabilities to support the new virtualized business practices required during the pandemic. Grant- funded (CARES/GEERS/CRRSAA)	\$1,374,528.03 (not to exceed \$1.4M)	IPHEC (exempt from BOT approval)

WESTERN ILLINOIS UNIVERSITY BOARD OF TRUSTEES

June 11, 2021

Resolution No. 21.6/1 Purchases of \$500,000 and Over Television Programming Services

Resolution

WHEREAS Western Illinois University has a need for Television programming services,

WHEREAS the above-mentioned project has been administered in accordance with the Illinois Procurement Code and all other pertinent statutes and rules;

THEREFORE, be it resolved that the Board of Trustees approves the contracting for

Television Programming Service

ITEM DESCRIPTION: Provide television programming services for the Macomb, IL campus. Services provided mainly in the on-campus residence halls, Union Hotel, and Campus Recreation Center. Initial 3-year contract with the option to renew for seven (7) additional 1-year periods.

COST: Estimated \$450,000/3-years (\$150,000/year) FY22-Y24
Estimated \$1,200,000 potential renewals FY25-FY31
Total estimate: \$1,650,000

RECOMMENDED VENDOR: Apogee Telecom Inc; Austin, TX

FUND SOURCE: Local

SUMMARY OF BIDS: Apogee Telecom Inc; Austin, TX
193.4/200 points (\$4.46/drop/mo)
Privatel Inc; Spring Lake Heights, NJ
148.8/200 points (\$9.85/drop/mo)
College Cable Services Inc; Nicholasville, KY

Non-responsive

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June 11, 2021

Resolution No. 21.6/2 Purchases of \$500,000 and Over Spark Plasma Sintering System

Resolution:

WHEREAS Western Illinois University has a need for a spark plasma sintering system; and,

WHEREAS the above-mentioned project has been administered in accordance with the Illinois Procurement Code and all other pertinent statutes and rules;

THEREFORE, be it resolved that the Board of Trustees approves the contracting for

Spark Plasma Sintering System

ITEM DESCRIPTION:	50-ton Thermal Technology Spark Plasma Sintering (SPS) System, with pyrometer, and gas flow options, delivery, and install at the Quad Cities Manufacturing Lab, Moline, IL. This system will be utilized to make large armor tiles (~4" diameter) of novel ceramic composites and layered structures for V50 and other types of ballistic testing at ARL.
COST:	\$547,300
RECOMMENDED VENDOR:	Thermal Technology LLC; Santa Rosa, CA
BID SUMMARY:	Exempt per 1-13, b, 8
FUND SOURCE:	Grant (Advanced Ballistics Tech)

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June 11, 2021

Resolution No. 21.6/3 New or Changed Capital Reserves for Non-Indentured Entities

Resolution:

WHEREAS request for the approval of new or changed capital reserves for non-indentured entities shall be submitted to the Board of Trustees annually; and,

WHEREAS general guidelines established by the Legislative Audit Commission were followed:

THEREFORE be it resolved that the Board of Trustees approves the capital reserves as resented.

PREVIOUSLY APPROVED RESERVES

<u>Entity</u>	<u>Approved Amount</u>	<u>Funded Amount as of 4/30/2021</u>	<u>Change Requested</u>	<u>Adjusted Total</u>
<u>Movable Equipment</u>				
Public Service	\$425,000	\$53,879	\$0	\$425,000
Student Programs and Services	\$400,000	\$314,188	\$0	\$400,000
Instructional Resources and Services	\$545,000	\$235,525	\$0	\$545,000
University Stores and Service Centers	\$850,000	\$7,120	\$0	\$850,000
University Publications	\$26,625	\$0	\$0	\$26,625
Sponsored Credit	\$4,000	\$0	\$0	\$4,000
Parking Operations	\$40,000	\$0	\$0	\$40,000
Auxiliary Other	\$32,500	\$0	\$0	\$32,500
<u>Parking Lots</u>				
Parking Operation	\$1,600,000	\$111,877	\$0	\$1,600,000

WESTERN ILLINOIS UNIVERSITY BOARD OF TRUSTEES

June 11, 2021

Report No. 21.6/4 Budget and Financial Data for Quarter Ended March 31, 2021

The Western Illinois University Board of Trustees reviews preliminary fiscal year (July 1 – June 30) spending plans each June, and the Board approves all-funds budgets each September or October. Once approved by the Board, Western Illinois University’s all-funds budgets are submitted to the Illinois Board of Higher Education, Illinois State Legislature, and the Governor.

The Western Illinois University Board of Trustees approved the Western Illinois University Fiscal Year 2021 All Funds Budget by source of funds and estimated object of expenditure on September 24, 2020 (see Western Illinois University Board of Trustees Resolution No. 20.9/1). Per Board approval, Western Illinois University is authorized to spend up to \$201.1 million during Fiscal Year 2021, and the President is authorized to make technical adjustments in budgets if necessary.

After approving institutional spending plans, the Western Illinois University Board of Trustees will receive quarterly revenue and expenditure reports to review the University’s financial status and compliance with institutional spending plans. Tables 1 and 2 on the following pages display revenue and expenditures for Appropriated Funds and Auxiliary Facilities System Funds for the third quarter of Fiscal Year 2021.

Appropriated Funds

Fiscal Year 2021 Revenue as of March 31, 2021

Tuition, interest, and other income are estimated in the fall and based on projected enrollments, historical retention rates, and prior year assessed tuition and tuition waivers. The Fiscal Year 2021 estimate for tuition, interest, and other income is \$49.1 million. At the end of March, Income Fund revenue has exceeded current year estimates.

Fiscal Year 2021 Income Fund Revenue (Dollars in Thousands)			
		Quarter Ended 03/31/2021	
	<u>Budget</u>	<u>Revenue</u>	Percent of <u>Budget</u>
Assessed Tuition	47,205.7	47,400.2	100.4%
Interest	50.0	10.8	21.6%
Other	<u>1,864.1</u>	<u>3,345.5</u>	179.5%
Total	\$ 49,119.8	\$ 50,756.5	103.3%

We are receiving FY21 funds on a regular schedule from the comptroller but expenditures for fiscal year 2021 are still being limited to essential operational needs only due to cash flow concerns. The majority of budgeted expenditures for the fiscal year are for personnel services (faculty and staff salaries) and contractual obligations.

Fiscal Year 2021 Appropriated Funds Expenditures (Dollars in Thousands)			
		Quarter Ended 03/31/2021	
	<u>Budget</u>	<u>Expenditures</u>	Percent of <u>Budget</u>
Personnel Services	\$ 76,500.0	\$ 49,553.8	64.8%
CMS Health Insurance	1,944.8	1,944.8	100.0%
FICA/Medicare	1,200.0	759.9	63.3%
Commodities	1,577.5	948.4	60.1%
Operation of Automotive Equipment	150.0	69.5	46.3%
Travel	400.0	7.3	1.8%
Contractual Services	10,487.7	7,608.6	72.5%
Permanent Improvements	200.0	27.4	13.7%
Equipment/Library Books	2,200.0	1,253.1	57.0%
Telecommunications	390.0	163.6	41.9%
Awards/Grants/Matching	11,450.0	11,616.5	101.5%
Interest	-	-	
Transfer to Equipment Reserve	-	-	
Transfer to Deferred Maint. Reserve	-	-	0.0%
Total Expenditures	\$ 106,500.0	\$ 73,952.9	69.4%

Additional Fiscal Year 2021 Appropriated Funds Budget Items

Original Fiscal Year 2021 estimates for tuition, interest, and other income total \$49.1 million while original estimated Income Fund expenditures for Fiscal Year 2021 total \$56.9 million (See Table 1b). Expenditures are typically less than revenue as demonstrated in the following table. Fiscal Year 2020 ended with expenditures \$2.3 million less than revenue received. With the \$49.1 million estimated income for Fiscal Year 2021 and expenditure authority of \$56.9 million, this leaves an estimated deficit at the end of Fiscal Year 2021 of (\$5.0 million). Due to circumstances such as COVID-19 and federal funding associated with COVID-19, expenditures are now projected to actually come in approximately \$1.1 million less than revenue for FY2021. Personnel attrition and other cost saving measures such as essential spending continue to be utilized to bring expenditures more in line with projected revenue.

Income Fund (Dollars in Thousands)			
	<u>Revenue</u>	<u>Expenditures</u>	<u>Excess(Deficit)</u>
FY 2012	71,077.5	68,590.2	2,487.3
FY 2013	72,144.1	71,161.3	982.8
FY 2014	73,329.0	73,168.4	160.6
FY 2015	75,673.5	74,870.2	803.3
FY 2016	74,640.7	105,207.8	(30,567.1)
FY 2017	69,739.1	52,875.8	16,863.3
FY2018	63,771.5	67,215.0	(3,443.5)
FY2019	56,607.5	62,642.8	(6,035.3)
FY2020	50,387.7	48,112.8	2,274.9
FY2021	54,629.8	53,500.0	1,129.8

Auxiliary Facilities System

Fiscal Year 2021 Revenue as of March 31, 2021

At the end of the third quarter of Fiscal Year 2021, Western Illinois University has assessed \$17.9 million in room and board and \$3.4 million in student fees. Revenue for the quarter ending March 31, 2021, is 87.5 percent of Fiscal Year 2021 estimates.

Fiscal Year 2021 Auxiliary Facilities System Revenue (Dollars in Thousands)			
		Quarter Ended 03/31/21	
	<u>Budget</u>	<u>Revenue</u>	Percent of <u>Budget</u>
Assessed Room and Board	\$ 18,927.8	\$ 17,854.8	94.3%
Sales	2,749.3	2,013.7	73.2%
Assessed Student Fees	4,108.8	3,396.6	82.7%
Other	<u>2,310.1</u>	<u>1,315.2</u>	56.9%
Total	\$ 28,096.0	\$ 24,580.3	87.5%

Fiscal Year 2021 Expenditures as of March 31, 2021

As a result of decreased revenue, budgets for expenditures have been decreased; thus, expenditures continue to be down from previous fiscal years. In addition, expenditures for the Auxiliary Facilities System are still limited to essential operational needs because of cash flow concerns.

Fiscal Year 2021 Auxiliary Facilities System Expenditures (Dollars in Thousands)			
		Quarter Ended 03/31/21	
	<u>Budget</u>	<u>Expenditures</u>	<u>Percent of Budget</u>
Personnel Services	\$ 8,461.9	\$ 5,644.7	66.7%
Unemp/FICA/Medicare/Retirement	120.6	67.0	55.6%
Commodities	300.0	179.5	59.8%
Operation of Automotive Equipment	70.0	27.4	39.1%
Travel	37.5	-	0.0%
Contractual Services	15,600.0	7,214.5	46.2%
Permanent Improvements	75.0	44.4	59.2%
Equipment/Library Books	100.0	15.8	15.8%
Telecommunications	90.0	36.6	40.7%
Awards/Grants/Matching	1,300.0	1,085.5	0.0%
Other (Cost of sales, principal & interest payments on outstanding bonds, transfers to reserves, etc)	10,000.0	7,707.4	77.1%
Total Expenditures	\$ 36,155.0	\$ 22,022.8	60.9%

Fiscal Year 2021 Cash Flow as of March 31, 2021

At the end of the third quarter of Fiscal Year 2021, Western Illinois University has a cash flow balance of \$4.1 million in the income fund and \$29.5 million in the Auxiliary Facilities System restricted funds. Income fund inflows are \$82.5 million and outflows are \$81.9 million resulting in a net increase in cash of \$.6 million. Auxiliary Facilities System restricted fund inflows are \$24.3 million and outflows are \$20.1 million resulting in a net increase in cash of \$4.2 million.

Cash Flow for Quarter Ended March 31		
	Income Fund	Auxiliary Facilities System (Restricted)
Cash balance July 1, 2020	\$ 3,462,073	\$ 25,244,923
Cash Inflows		
Tuition, Fee, & Other unrestricted receipts	41,199,777	24,304,862
State appropriations	41,320,575	-
Total Cash Inflows	82,520,352	24,304,862
Cash Outflows		
Payroll	(61,463,827)	(6,026,579)
Goods, Services, & Other cash outflows	(20,446,243)	(14,042,277)
Total Cash Outflows	(81,910,070)	(20,068,856)
Net Increase (decrease) in cash	610,282	4,236,006
Cash balance March 31, 2021	\$ 4,072,355	\$ 29,480,929

Appendix A
State of Illinois Definitions for Reporting Institutional Revenues by Source of Funds
And Institutional Expenditures by Estimated Objects of Expenditure

Sources of Funds

State Appropriated Funds are the general revenue fund appropriations from the State of Illinois.

University Income Fund represents tuition revenue.

Auxiliary Facilities System represents revenue from room and board and the University's bond revenue fee that supports University Housing and Dining Services, University Union, and Campus Recreation.

Estimated Objects of Expenditures

Personnel Services are payments of wages and salaries.

Contractual Services represent payment for services from vendors. The largest contractual expense for Western Illinois University is utilities.

Travel reimbursements to employees or vendors for in-state and out-of-state travel include transportation, mileage, lodging, and meals.

Commodities support purchase of consumable materials (e.g., office supplies).

Equipment and Library Materials support purchases over \$100 for tangible property (e.g., office furniture, equipment, and library books and periodicals).

Awards and Grants primarily support student financial aid.

Telecommunication Services represent all telephone and communication services (e.g., long distance, fax machine and local telephone charges).

Operation of Automotive Equipment includes the operation, maintenance, and repair of automotive equipment.

Permanent Improvements are used for the remodeling and renovation of existing structures.

CMS Health Insurance and Medicare are shared, state-mandated expenditures that reduce the institution's discretionary spending authority.

Table 1
Budget and Financial Data for Quarter Ended March 31
Appropriated
Educational Assistance and Income Fund Combined

Appropriated Funds	FY21 Budget	Revenue through March 31	
		FY21	FY20
Revenue			
State Appropriations	\$ 49,588,000	\$ 49,588,000	\$ 49,046,342
Assessed Tuition	47,205,700	47,400,210	48,597,238
Interest	50,000	10,775	87,342
Other	1,864,100	3,345,499	2,233,960
Total Revenue	\$ 98,707,800	\$ 100,344,484	\$ 99,964,882
		Expenditures through March 31	
Expenditures			
Personnel Services	\$ 76,500,000	\$ 49,553,765	\$ 50,918,661
CMS Health Insurance	1,944,800	1,944,800	1,458,603
FICA/Medicare	1,200,000	759,873	783,250
Commodities	1,577,500	948,444	399,627
Operation of Automotive Equipment	150,000	69,514	80,289
Travel	400,000	7,275	124,536
Contractual Services	10,487,700	7,608,648	6,346,027
Permanent Improvements	200,000	27,358	20,983
Equipment/Library Books	2,200,000	1,253,149	1,082,347
Telecommunications	390,000	163,577	152,015
Awards/Grants/Matching	11,450,000	11,616,495	7,893,154
Total Expenditures	\$ 106,500,000	\$ 73,952,898	\$ 69,259,492

Table 1a
Budget and Financial Data for Quarter Ended March 31
Educational Assistance Fund

	FY21 Budget	Revenue through March 31	
		FY21	FY20
Appropriated Funds			
General Revenue Fund			
Revenue			
State Appropriations	\$ 49,588,000	\$ 49,588,000	\$ 49,046,342
Total Revenue	<u>\$ 49,588,000</u>	<u>\$ 49,588,000</u>	<u>\$ 49,046,342</u>
	FY21 Budget	Expenditures through March 31	
		FY21	FY20
Expenditures			
Personnel Services	\$ 46,843,200	\$ 44,870,314	\$ 44,564,271
CMS Health Insurance	1,944,800	1,944,800	1,458,603
FICA/Medicare	800,000	609,959	603,625
Commodities	-	97,437	81,681
Operation of Automotive Equipment	-	-	16,643
Travel	-	-	-
Contractual Services	-	1,936,495	2,169,878
Permanent Improvements	-	-	-
Equipment/Library Books	-	-	-
Telecommunications	-	128,995	151,641
Awards/Grants/Matching	-	-	-
Total Expenditures	<u>\$ 49,588,000</u>	<u>\$ 49,588,000</u>	<u>\$ 49,046,342</u>

Table 1b
Budget and Financial Data for Quarter Ended March 31
Income Fund

	FY21 Budget	Revenue through March 31	
		FY21	FY20
Appropriated Funds			
Income Fund			
Revenue			
Assessed Tuition	\$ 47,205,700	\$ 47,400,210	\$ 48,597,238
Interest	50,000	10,775	87,342
Other	<u>1,864,100</u>	<u>3,345,499</u>	<u>2,233,960</u>
Total Revenue	<u>\$ 49,119,800</u>	<u>\$ 50,756,484</u>	<u>\$ 50,918,540</u>
		Expenditures through March 31	
	FY21 Budget	FY21	FY20
Expenditures			
Personnel Services	\$ 29,656,800	\$ 4,683,451	\$ 6,354,390
CMS Health Insurance	-	-	-
Unemp/FICA/Medicare/Retirement	400,000	149,914	179,625
Commodities	1,577,500	851,007	317,946
Operation of Automotive Equipment	150,000	69,514	63,646
Travel	400,000	7,275	124,536
Contractual Services	10,487,700	5,672,153	4,176,149
Permanent Improvements	200,000	27,358	20,983
Equipment/Library Books	2,200,000	1,253,149	1,082,347
Telecommunications	390,000	34,582	374
Awards/Grants/Matching	<u>11,450,000</u>	<u>11,616,495</u>	<u>7,893,154</u>
Total Expenditures	<u>\$ 56,912,000</u>	<u>\$ 24,364,898</u>	<u>\$ 20,213,150</u>

Table 2
Budget and Financial Data for Quarter Ended March 31
Auxiliary Facilities System

Auxiliary Facilities System	FY21 Budget	Revenue through March 31	
		FY21	FY20
Revenue			
Assessed Room & Board	\$ 18,927,762	\$ 17,854,794	\$ 21,669,092
Sales	2,749,300	2,013,739	2,324,840
Assessed Student Fees	4,108,816	3,396,554	4,057,865
Other	<u>2,310,142</u>	<u>1,315,180</u>	<u>2,300,673</u>
Total Revenue	<u>\$ 28,096,020</u>	<u>\$ 24,580,267</u>	<u>\$ 30,352,470</u>

Expenditures	FY21 Budget	Expenditures through March 31	
		FY21	FY20
Personnel Services	\$ 8,461,900	\$ 5,644,715	\$ 5,924,750
Unemp/FICA/Medicare/Retirement	120,600	67,004	69,867
Commodities	300,000	179,468	182,244
Operation of Automotive Equipment	70,000	27,443	27,455
Travel	37,500	-	4,424
Contractual Services	15,600,000	7,214,528	9,808,747
Permanent Improvements	75,000	44,388	11,305
Equipment	100,000	15,819	63,189
Telecommunications	90,000	36,563	36,430
Awards/Grants/Matching	1,300,000	1,085,536	1,055,194
Other (cost of sales, principal & interest payments on Outstanding Bonds, transfers to reserves, etc)	<u>10,000,000</u>	<u>7,707,357</u>	<u>9,067,512</u>
Total Expenditures	<u>\$ 36,155,000</u>	<u>\$ 22,022,821</u>	<u>\$ 26,251,117</u>

WESTERN ILLINOIS UNIVERSITY BOARD OF TRUSTEES

June 11, 2021

Resolution No. 21.6/4

Resolution Authorizing Refunding of Certificates of Participation

WHEREAS the Board of Trustees of Western Illinois University (the “*Board*”) has previously financed certain improvements through the execution and delivery of an Installment Purchase Contract and the issuance of Certificates of Participation (Capital Improvement Projects), Series 2010 (Build America Program - Taxable), currently outstanding in the aggregate principal amount of \$6,260,000 (the “*Series 2010 Certificates*”); and

WHEREAS the Board has authority pursuant to the Western Illinois University Law, 110 ILCS 690/35-1 *et seq.* and the State University Certificates of Participation Act, 110 ILCS 73/1 *et seq.* to refinance the improvements financed by the Series 2010 Certificates and to refund the Series 2010 Certificates; and

WHEREAS the Board hereby determines that it is desirable to grant approval for the refunding of the Series 2010 Certificates through the issuance of certificates of participation;

THEREFORE Be It Resolved by the Board of Trustees of Western Illinois University in regular meeting assembled, that:

1. The Board hereby authorizes the execution and delivery of an Installment Purchase Contract and the issuance of Certificates of Participation (Capital Improvement Project), Series 2021 (the “*Series 2021 Certificates*”) in connection therewith, in order to provide funds to refund all of the outstanding Series 2010 Certificates and pay the costs of issuing the Series 2021 Certificates.

2. Pursuant to the University’s existing contract, the firm of Chapman and Cutler LLP, Chicago, Illinois, be and is hereby retained as Special Counsel to the Board for all legal matters incidental to the authorization and issuance of the Series 2021 Certificates.

3. Pursuant to the University’s existing contract, the firm of Blue Rose Capital Advisors LLC, Chicago, Illinois, be and is hereby retained as Financial Advisor in connection with the issuance of the Series 2021 Certificates.

4. U.S. Bank National Association, Chicago, Illinois, be and is hereby authorized to serve as Trustee for the Series 2021 Certificates.

5. The Treasurer of the Board or his or her designee (the “*Board Treasurer*”) is hereby authorized to enter into a Continuing Covenants Agreement with DNT Asset Trust (the “*Purchaser*”), and a Certificate Purchase Agreement with the Purchaser and the Trustee for the sale of the Series 2021 Certificates in a private placement. The Purchaser is a statutory trust that is a wholly owned subsidiary of JPMorgan Chase Bank, N.A.

6. The Board approves the forms of the Installment Purchase Contract, the Indenture of Trust, the Acquisition Agreement, the Continuing Covenants Agreement and the Certificate Purchase Agreement in substantially the forms which are before the Board at this meeting or with such changes as may be approved by the officer of the Board executing the same, his/her execution thereof to constitute conclusive evidence of the Board’s approval of all changes from the forms thereof presented to this meeting.

7. The Board authorizes the issuance of the Series 2021 Certificates to provide for the refunding of the Series 2010 Certificates and to pay the costs of issuance thereof, in a principal amount not to exceed \$6,400,000 with a final maturity not later than October 1, 2029. The price at which the Series 2021 Certificates will be purchased by the Purchaser shall not be less than 99% and the true interest cost (TIC) of borrowing for the Series 2021 Certificates is expected to be approximately 2.75% per annum but will not exceed 3.75% per annum on a tax-exempt basis. The final terms of the Series 2021 Certificates shall be approved by the Board Treasurer within the parameters set forth in this Resolution.

8. The members, officers, agents and employees of the Board are hereby authorized and directed to do all such acts and to execute all such documents as may be necessary to carry out and comply with the provisions of this resolution and with the actions of the members, officers, agents, and employees of the Board which are in conformity with the intent and purposes of this resolution, whether heretofore or hereafter taken or done, which actions shall be and are ratified, confirmed and approved.

WESTERN ILLINOIS UNIVERSITY BOARD OF TRUSTEES

June 11, 2021

Resolution No. 21.6/5 FY2022 Preliminary Spending Plan

WHEREAS Western Illinois University must prepare a preliminary spending plan prior to July 1 for State Appropriated, University Income, Auxiliary and All Other Funds for the Illinois Board of Higher Education, Illinois State Legislature and the Governor; and,

WHEREAS this spending plan requires Board of Trustees approval prior to submission; and,

WHEREAS this spending plan reflects Western's tradition of strong, conservative fiscal management and resource allocation to support goals and priorities stated in *Higher Values in Higher Education* and Western Illinois University's *Mission Statement*:

THEREFORE be it resolved that the Board of Trustees approves the FY2022 spending plan as presented in the FY2022 spending plan document, and be it further resolved that the President be authorized to make technical adjustments in these budgets if necessary.

WESTERN ILLINOIS UNIVERSITY BOARD OF TRUSTEES

June 11, 2021

Report No. 21.6/5

Illinois Fraternal Order of Police Labor Council Memorandum of Understanding – 12 Hour Shift Schedule

On May 6, 2020, the Western Illinois University Board of Trustees approved a collective bargaining agreement with the Illinois Fraternal Order of Police Labor Council. Included along with the agreement was a Memorandum of Understanding – 12 Hour Shift Schedule. The Memorandum of Understanding detailed an experimental alternative work schedule for members assigned to the patrol division and telecommunicators to work 12-hour shifts. The agreement included a one-year trial period.

Due to staffing and schedule issues resulting from the COVID-19 pandemic, the implementation of the 12-hour shifts was delayed until October 19, 2020. The Illinois Fraternal Order of Police Labor Council and Western Illinois University have mutually agreed to extend the one-year trial period to allow more time for both parties to evaluate the 12-hour shifts.

WESTERN ILLINOIS UNIVERSITY BOARD OF TRUSTEES

June 11, 2021

Report No. 21.6/8 Annual Listing of Academic Program Changes

The Illinois Board of Higher Education requires that each public university submit a list of academic program changes annually in June. Following is Western Illinois University's planned report for the period June 21, 2020, to June 20, 2021.

WESTERN ILLINOIS UNIVERSITY
ANNUAL LISTING OF ACADEMIC PROGRAM CHANGES
June 21, 2020 to June 20, 2021

	PROGRAM CHANGE	CIP CODE	PROGRAM TITLE	REMARKS	DATE APPROVED
*****REPORTING CATEGORIES AS IDENTIFIED BY IBHE*****					
1	Creation of a new non-credit program or a program of study composed of credit courses that does not result in the formal award of a degree.		N/A		
2	Creation of a new unit that does not have an instructional, research, or public service mission including new units that might be named department, division, or institute.		N/A		
3	Addition of a new organized set of courses within a major to an existing degree program.	13.1202	B.S.Ed. in Elementary Education English as a Second Language Education option Multilingual Education option	See also #8	Campus 04/19/21
		23.0101	B.A. in English Creative Writing option Professional Writing option		Campus 04/19/21
		43.0202	B.S. in Fire Protection Services, Fire Medic option		Campus 04/23/21
4	Addition of an externally funded research or public service activity labeled as a center or institute because of grant requirements. The activity is temporary, not formally organized, and has no continuous mission.		N/A		
5	Addition of a new minor.		Minor in Conceptual Physics		Campus 03/24/21
			Minor in Health Communication		Campus 04/19/21
6	Change in a degree title.	15.0613	M.S. in Engineering Technology	Formerly M.S. in Engineering Technology Leadership	Campus 06/16/20
		11.1003	B.S. in Cybersecurity	Formerly B.S. in Cyber Security	Campus 03/29/21
7	Change in the name of an administrative, research, or public service unit.		N/A		

	PROGRAM CHANGE	CIP CODE	PROGRAM TITLE	REMARKS	DATE APPROVED
8	Elimination of an existing degree program/center.	10.0305	B.S. in Graphic Communication	Entered phase-out; to be eliminated following the SP 23 semester	Campus 06/16/20
		30.0000	B.A. in Interdisciplinary Studies	Entered phase-out; to be eliminated following the SP 22 semester	Campus 06/25/20
		52.1902	B.S. in Apparel and Textile Merchandising	Entered phase-out; to be eliminated following the SP 21 semester	Campus 08/17/20
		52.0201	Master of Business Administration	Face-to-face delivery eliminated at Quad Cities campus <u>only</u> ; program is still available at Macomb campus and online	Campus 07/29/20
		13.0201	B.S.Ed. in Bilingual/English as a Second Language Education	Entered phase-out in conjunction with approval of new options in B.S.Ed.in Elementary Education degree program (see also #3); to be eliminated following the SP 25 semester	Campus 04/19/21
		52.1401	B.B. in Marketing, Enterprise Marketing option	Only option offered at Quad Cities campus Face-to-face delivery eliminated at Quad Cities campus <u>only</u> ; program is still available at the Macomb campus and will be available online beginning FL 21 semester (see also #25)	Campus 05/13/21
9	Reorganization, restructuring, consolidation, elimination, and other changes of existing administrative, research, or public service units that does not result in an increase in subunits.		School of Engineering and Technology	Formerly School of Engineering <u>and</u> Department of Engineering Technology	Campus 04/23/21
10	Creation of certificate program in a field in which there is a previously approved degree program.		N/A		
11	Creation of a joint degree program from two previously approved programs.		N/A		
12	Creation of a new, formally organized research or public service unit that has a temporary mission of up to five years.	90.1309	Arlington and Arlene Seymour Center for Rural Education Advocacy, Policy, and Research	Abbreviated title: Center for Rural Education (CRE)	Campus 11/16/20 IBHE 11/20/20
13	Creation of a certificate program in a field or at a level in which there is not a previously approved degree program at that level or higher level.		N/A		

	PROGRAM CHANGE	CIP CODE	PROGRAM TITLE	REMARKS	DATE APPROVED
14	Creation of a new program that results from the reorganization or restructuring of the curricular elements of an existing program that have over time evolved into separate and distinct programs.	13.0607	B.S.Ed. in Educational Studies	Reasonable and Moderate Extension (RME) of previously approved B.S.Ed. degree programs: B.S.Ed. in Bilingual/ESL Education B.S.Ed. in Elementary Education B.S.Ed. in Middle Level Education B.S.Ed. in Special Education	Campus 01/29/20 IBHE 06/15/20
15	Reclassification of a program resulting from incremental changes or consolidation of two or more degree programs into a single program.		N/A		
16	Changes in degree designation at the same level.		N/A		
17	Creation of a degree program in a new field or at a new level.	13.1299	Master of Arts in Teaching (M.A.T.) in Alternative Teacher Licensure	Program began SP 21	Campus 03/20/20 BOT 06/12/20 ISBE 08/07/20 IBHE 06/09/20
		51.2305 Proposed	Master of Music Therapy (M.M.T.)	If approved, program to begin FL 22	Campus 03/05/20 BOT 06/12/20 IBHE TBD
		13.1311 Proposed	Master of Science (M.S.) in Teaching Mathematics	If approved, program to begin SU 21	Campus 04/09/20 BOT 06/12/20 IBHE Pending
18	Creation of new units of instruction, research, or public service that involve a change or expansion in mission.		N/A		
19	Creation of a new campus.		N/A		
*****ADDITIONAL CATEGORIES IDENTIFIED BY UNIVERSITY*****					

	PROGRAM CHANGE	CIP CODE	PROGRAM TITLE	REMARKS	DATE APPROVED
20	Retitling of minor.		Minor in Social Media	Formerly minor in Computer-Mediated Communication	Campus 02/17/21
			Minor in Cybersecurity	Formerly Cyber Security	Campus 03/29/21
21	Retitling of option, emphasis, or concentration.	11.0101	B.S. in Computer Science, Cybersecurity emphasis	Formerly Cyber Security	Campus 03/29/21
		11.0103	B.S. in Information Systems, Cybersecurity emphasis	Formerly Cyber Security	Campus 03/29/21
22	Elimination of existing minor.		Minor in Emerging Design Technologies	Entered phase-out; to be eliminated following the SP 23 semester	Campus 06/16/20
			Minor in Instructional Design	Entered phase-out; to be eliminated following the SP 21 semester	Campus 06/16/20
			Minor in Graphic Communication	Entered phase-out; to be eliminated following the SP 21 semester	Campus 06/16/20
			Minor in Apparel and Textile Merchandising	Entered phase-out; to be eliminated following the FL 23 semester	Campus 08/17/20
23	Elimination of post-baccalaureate certificate.	50.0901	Post-Baccalaureate Certificate in Music Performance	Entered phase-out; to be eliminated following the SP 21 semester	Campus 12/11/20
24	Elimination of existing organized set of courses within a major.	30.0000	B.S. in Interdisciplinary Studies, Self-Designed Curriculum concentration	Entered phase-out; to be eliminated following the SP 22 semester	Campus 06/25/20
		30.0000	B.S. in Interdisciplinary Studies, Youth Leadership concentration	Eliminated in conjunction with approval of new Youth Leadership minor (Campus 04/28/20, reported in 2020 annual report)	Campus 06/25/20
		45.1101	B.A. in Sociology: General emphasis Deviance and Criminology emphasis Environment and Community emphasis Social Inequality emphasis Social Institutions emphasis Sociological Social Psychology emphasis Sociology of Health and Illness emphasis	Emphases eliminated for FL 21 catalog; will remain effective for students in earlier catalogs	Campus 12/08/20

	PROGRAM CHANGE	CIP CODE	PROGRAM TITLE	REMARKS	DATE APPROVED
24	Elimination of existing organized set of courses within a major (cont'd).	09.0101	B.A. in Communication: Communication Studies option Interpersonal Communication and Processes option Organizational Communication option Social Influence option	Options eliminated for FL 21 catalog; will remain effective for students in earlier catalogs	Campus 04/19/21
25	Offering existing academic program online.	52.1001	B.B. in Human Resource Management		Campus 06/16/20
			Minor in Human Resource Management		Campus 06/16/20
		52.1302	Post-Baccalaureate Certificate in Business Analytics		Campus 06/25/20
			Minor in Recreation, Park and Tourism Administration		Campus 12/11/20
		52.1401	B.B. in Marketing, Enterprise Marketing option	See also #8	Campus 05/13/21
26	Offering or reinstating existing academic program at Quad Cities campus.	51.2207	B.S. in Public Health	Offering of program at Quad Cities campus	Campus 12/04/20
		13.1202	B.S.Ed. in Elementary Education, Early Childhood option	Reinstating program at Quad Cities campus	Campus 04/28/21
27	Placement of program into temporary suspension status.		Minor in Fisheries	Temporarily suspended until no later than 06/25/25	Campus 06/25/20
		30.0000	B.S. in Interdisciplinary Studies: Renewable Energy and Biofuels Technology concentration Renewable Energy and Wind Technology concentration Renewable Energy Policy, Planning and Management concentration	Temporarily suspended until no later than 06/25/25	Campus 06/25/20
		26.0701	Post-Baccalaureate Certificate in Zoo and Aquarium Studies	Temporary suspension effective 06/07/21; suspended until no later than 06/07/26	Campus 03/14/21
28	Extension of end date for academic program in phase-out.	52.0901	B.S. in Hospitality Management	End date extended from end of SP 23 semester until end of SP 24 semester	Campus 07/28/20

WESTERN ILLINOIS UNIVERSITY BOARD OF TRUSTEES

June 11, 2021

Report No. 21.6/9 Report on Academic Affairs Hiring Activity

Department	Position	Last Name	First Name
New Administrator:			
Office of Distance Education and Support	Director	Lawson	Raymond
New Faculty:			
Accounting, Finance, Economics, and Decision Sciences	Instructor (Unit B)	Bruckerhoff	Kristopher
Broadcasting & Journalism	Assistant Professor	Parker	Quintin
Broadcasting & Journalism	Assistant Professor	Sarelska	Darina
Broadcasting & Journalism	Lecturer (C.T. Vivian Scholar)	Ali	Pechulano Ngwe
Center for Preparation of Educational Professionals	Supervision Field Specialist	Porter	Clinton
Law Enforcement and Justice Administration	Assistant Professor	Henning	Joseph
University Libraries	Music Librarian	Kastel	Jade
Museum Studies	Assistant Professor	McClanahan-Simmons	Angela
Music	Assistant Professor	Chadwell	Charles
Music	Lecturer (C.T. Vivian Scholar)	Cooper	Alfonzo
Music	Lecturer (C.T. Vivian Scholar)	Inglesias Zarco	Brenda
Psychology	Associate Professor	Tipton-Fisler	Leigh Ann
Pending Searches:			
Psychology	Assistant Professor (School Psych)		
Chemistry	Lecturer (C.T. Vivian Scholar)		
Speech Pathology & Audiology	Assistant Professor		
English	Visiting Professor (Writing Program)		
*Dr. David Lane will replace Dr. Karen Sears as Psychology Department Chair (internal hire)			

WESTERN ILLINOIS UNIVERSITY

BOARD OF TRUSTEES

June 11, 2021

Report No. 21.6/10 Higher Learning Commission (HLC) Reaffirmation of Accreditation Report and Findings

In brief, though the HLC report has not had final review and approval by the agency, the tentative findings by the Review Team were very positive overall. The Review Team's report is now scheduled for evaluation by the HLC Institutional Actions Council (IAC). We should have final approval, and thus a reaffirmation of accreditation by the IAC, at the beginning of FL 2021.

The following is a brief, itemized summary of the HLC visit and report:

- Due to COVID-19, the review was performed primarily through virtual meetings.
- On 3/26 and on 3/29 one member of the HLC Review Team did visit the University—first the QC campus on the 26th and then the Macomb campus on the 29th.
- In their report, the HLC Review Team noted its appreciation of Western's use of technology to facilitate the remote site visit. Additionally, the team noted that Western was very responsive to the team's requests for information and that Western "made many documents on accreditation available at their website, including several podcasts."
- Dozens of students, staff, faculty, administrators, and community leaders participated in the HLC visit.
- The positives of the HLC Review Team's report are numerous, and include notes that "the institution and its staff, faculty and leadership have demonstrated Western's ability to successfully engage in systematic and integrated planning."
- The Review Team defined the culture of Western, especially with the new President and Board of Trustees, as "bringing optimism and energy for the future."
- The Review Team noted that "With continued focus and effort, Western will actualize its goals of enriching academic excellence, advancing educational opportunity, supporting personal growth, and promoting social responsibility."
- The Review Team noted that, "Students, employees, alumni, and community leaders place Western in high regard. While acknowledging imperfections, there is recognition that the university is striving to become a better version of itself, and said parties are willing to support the university to that realization."
- The Review Team noted that, "Western presents itself clearly and accurately. Academic requirements and structures, tuition, cost, financial information, accreditation standing, and governance structure are publicly available to its constituents."
- The Review Team noted that, "The University is to be commended for the improvements it has made" regarding student learning assessment and quality of teaching.
- The one weakness the Review Team cited concerned the current financial position of the institution. It should be noted that this concern did not rise to the level of a sanction or probation. It should also be noted that Western has already begun to address this concern
- There is no recommendation for a sanction, probation, or anything of that nature in the report.

I would like to thank the entire WIU community for their participation in this visit and review. I would especially like to thank the primary authors of Western's HLC Assurance Argument: Amy Patrick Mossman, Angela Bonifas, Debbie Kepple-Mamros, Justin Schuch, Kristi Mindrup, and Lori Baker-Sperry.

WESTERN ILLINOIS UNIVERSITY
BOARD OF TRUSTEES

June 11, 2021

Resolution No. 21.6/6 Tenure Recommendations for 2021-2022

Resolution:

WHEREAS the attached tenure recommendations are in accordance with Article 20 of the 2017-2021) Collective Bargaining Agreement with UPI Local 4100 and applicable Board Regulations:

THEREFORE be it resolved that the Board of Trustees of Western Illinois University approves, as presented, the tenure recommendations for 2021-2022.

Tenure Recommendations - June 11, 2021 BOT Meeting

TENURE RECOMMENDATIONS			
NAME	DEPARTMENT/SCHOOL	DEGREE	RANK
<i>Arts and Sciences</i>			
Alveshere, Andrea	Sociology and Anthropology	Ph.D.	Associate
Lawhorn, Barbara	English	M.S.	Associate
Song, Liguó	Chemistry	Ph.D.	Associate
<i>Business and Technology</i>			
Atherton, Daniel	Agriculture	Ph.D.	Associate
Bui, Hoang	Computer Science	Ph.D.	Associate
Ghimire, Shankar	Accounting, Finance, Economics and I	Ph.D.	Associate
Trennepohl, Keela	Agriculture	Ph.D.	Associate
<i>Education & Human Services</i>			
Beck, Matthew	Counselor Education and Student Per	Ph.D.	Associate
Broughton, Katherine	Recreation, Park and Tourism Admini:	Ph.D.	Associate
Piper, Timothy	Kinesiology	Ph.D.	Associate
Robinett, Jeremy	Recreation, Park and Tourism Admini:	Ph.D.	Associate
Urby Jr, Heriberto	Health Sciences and Social Work	Ph.D.	Associate
<i>Fine Arts and Communication</i>			
Go, Eun	Broadcasting and Journalism	Ph.D.	Associate
<i>Library</i>			
Bowers Sharpe, Krista	University Libraries	M.S.	Associate
NEGATIVE TENURE RECOMMENDATIONS			
NAME	DEPARTMENT/UNIT	DEGREE	RANK
<i>None</i>			

14 candidates recommended

WESTERN ILLINOIS UNIVERSITY BOARD OF TRUSTEES

June 11, 2021

Resolution No. 21.6/7 Release of Closed Session Written Meeting Minutes and Audio Recordings

Resolution:

WHEREAS, the Board of Trustees of Western Illinois University must comply with the Illinois Open Meetings Act 5 ILCS 120/1 et seq;

WHEREAS, the Illinois Open Meetings Act requires public bodies to periodically review the minutes of their Closed Session written minutes on at least a semiannual basis to determine what parts of the minutes should be made available to the public because they no longer require confidential treatment;

WHEREAS, pursuant to Section 2.06(d) of the Open Meetings Act, the Board of Trustees has reviewed the written minutes of the closed session minutes of June 8, 2017; July 14, 2017; September 28, 2017; December 14, 2017; March 22, 2018; April 5, 2018; April 30, 2018; May 18, 2018; June 1, 2018; June 7, 2018; June 28, 2018; July 12, 2018; August 23, 2018; September 27, 2018; March 29, 2019; June 13, 2019; June 14, 2019; October 3, 2019; October 4, 2019; December 12, 2019; December 13, 2019; April 30, 2020; June 11, 2020; November 5, 2020; December 17, 2020 and March 27, 2021 to determine whether the need for confidentiality still exists with respect to all or part of the minutes;

WHEREAS, the Illinois Open Meetings Act permits the Board of Trustees to approve the destruction of the verbatim record no less than 18 months after the completion of the meeting;

WHEREAS, pursuant to Section 2.06(c) the Board of Trustees has reviewed the dates of the verbatim audio recordings of the following meetings: June 8, 2017; July 14, 2017; September 28, 2017; December 14, 2017; March 22, 2018; April 5, 2018; April 30, 2018; May 18, 2018; June 1, 2018; June 7, 2018; June 28, 2018; July 12, 2018; August 23, 2018; September 27, 2018; March 29, 2019; June 13, 2019; June 14, 2019; October 3, 2019; October 4, 2019; December 13, 2019; April 30, 2020; June 11, 2020(transcript); November 5, 2020; December 17, 2021 and March 25, 2021 to determine whether the need for confidentiality still exist and whether to destroy the verbatim recording;

THEREFORE, be it resolved the Board of Trustees of Western Illinois University as follows:

1. The Board has determined that the need for confidentiality of the written minutes dated October 3, 2019; December 12, 2019; December 13, 2019; April 30 2020; June 11, 2020; November 5, 2020; December 17, 2020 and March 25, 2021; still exists and the written minutes shall be retained as confidential pending further review in the future to determine their eligibility for release.

2. The Board has determined that the following written minutes are approved for release: June 8, 2017; July 14, 2017; September 28, 2017; December 14, 2017; March 22, 2018; April 5, 2018; April 30, 2018; May 18, 2018; June 1, 2018; June 7, 2018; June 28, 2018; July 12, 2018; August 23, 2018; September 27, 2018; March 29, 2019; June 13, 2019; June 14, 2019; October 4, 2019.
3. The Board has determined that the need for confidentiality of the verbatim recordings dated; December 13, 2019; April 30, 2020; June 11, 2020(transcript); November 5, 2020; December 17, 2021 and March 25, 2021 still exists and the recordings shall be retained as confidential pending further review in the future to determine their eligibility for release.
4. The verbatim recordings of the closed session meetings dated June 8, 2017; July 14, 2017; September 28, 2017; December 14, 2017; March 22, 2018; April 5, 2018; April 30, 2018; May 18, 2018; June 1, 2018; June 7, 2018; June 28, 2018; July 12, 2018; August 23, 2018; September 27, 2018; March 29, 2019; June 13, 2019; June 14, 2019; October 3, 2019; October 4, 2019 are approved for destruction.
5. The Board will on at least a semiannual basis review the closed session written minutes and verbatim audio recordings.

WESTERN ILLINOIS UNIVERSITY BOARD OF TRUSTEES

June 11, 2021

Resolution No. 21.6/8 Election of Officers of the Board for July 1, 2021-
June 30, 2022

Resolution:

WHEREAS Section 35-25 of Senate Bill 241 states:

“Members of the Board shall elect annually by secret ballot from their own number a chairman who shall preside over meetings of the Board and a secretary”; and,

WHEREAS the Board of Trustees Bylaws, Section VII.A.1., stipulates:

“The Chair, Vice Chair, and Secretary shall be elected annually by secret ballot by a majority of the voting members of the Board then serving and shall hold office until their successors are elected. Trustees who are elected to serve as the Chair, Vice Chair and Secretary may be elected to those positions for one successive term, after which an intervening term must occur before reelection to the same officer position”; and,

WHEREAS the Board of Trustees at its July 25, 1997, meeting, agreed to elect officers in conjunction with the fiscal year; and the Western Illinois University fiscal year is July 1-June 30:

THEREFORE be it resolved that the persons elected at the June 12, 2020 meeting of the Board of Trustees shall serve as Officers of the Western Illinois University Board of Trustees for July 1, 2021-June 30, 2022.

WESTERN ILLINOIS UNIVERSITY BOARD OF TRUSTEES

June 11, 2021

Resolution No. 21.6/9 Elect Trustee to Serve on State Universities Civil Service Merit Board

Resolution:

WHEREAS the State Universities Civil Service Act (110 ILCS 70) established a State Universities Civil Service System under the control of a Board known as the University Civil Service Merit Board (hereafter referred to as the Merit Board); and,

WHEREAS the State Universities Civil Service Act (110 ILCS 70/36c) states that:

“The Merit Board shall be composed of 11 members, ... one of whom shall be a member of the Board of Trustees of Western Illinois University”; and,

WHEREAS the State Universities Civil Service Act (110 ILCS 70/36c) further states:

“The members of the Merit Board shall be elected by the respective Boards in which they hold membership and they shall serve at the pleasure of the electing Boards”; and,

WHEREAS the Board of Trustees Bylaws, Section IX.F., states:

“Representatives of the Board to serve on other boards, commissions, and similar bodies shall be designated as required by statute,”

THEREFORE be it resolved that the person elected at the June 11, 2021 meeting of the Board of Trustees shall serve as the representative of Western Illinois University to the Merit Board.

WESTERN ILLINOIS UNIVERSITY BOARD OF TRUSTEES

June 11, 2021

Resolution No. 21.3/6 Fiscal Year 2022 Student Cost Guarantee

Resolution:

WHEREAS the Western Illinois University Board of Trustees will consider approval of tuition, fees and room and board rates for new Western Illinois University undergraduate and graduate students for Fiscal Year 2022, effective Fall 2021; and;

WHEREAS Western Illinois University will continue to offer the *Gilbert Cost Guarantee* for tuition, fees, room and board rates for each entering undergraduate student class; and;

WHEREAS the guaranteed rates remain in effect for four years if a student maintains continuous enrollment and incoming students in a degree program that require more than four years to complete benefit from the guaranteed rate until the expected time of degree completion; and;

WHEREAS *Higher Values in Higher Education*, Western Illinois University's Strategic Plan, promotes partnerships to advance the mission, goals, values, and priorities of the institution, the following processes outlined below were followed when formulating the Fiscal Year 2022 cost guarantee; and;

WHEREAS the cost guarantee for tuition, fees, room and board rates to new graduate students will be discontinued beginning Fall 2021:

THEREFORE be it resolved that the Board of Trustees approves the *Gilbert Cost Guarantee* for new undergraduate students at Western Illinois University, and be it further resolved that the student cost information continue to be presented to the Board annually when other resolutions related to student all costs are presented for approval.

Background information on the processes, policy considerations, and planning parameters used by Western Illinois University students, faculty, and staff in forming all costs recommendations to the Western Illinois University Board of Trustees for both Western Illinois University-Macomb and Western Illinois University-Quad Cities students is explained in detail below.

Shared Governance Processes

Higher Values in Higher Education, Western Illinois University's Strategic Plan, promotes partnerships to

advance the mission, goals, values, and priorities of the institution. The following processes were followed when formulating the Fiscal Year 2022 cost guarantee.

Tuition: A tuition recommendation was formed by the President and President's staff after considering benchmark data and University/statewide priorities and goals. The President shared recommended tuition increases with the President's Senior Leadership Team before making final recommendations to the Western Illinois University Board of Trustees.

Fees at Western Illinois University-Macomb: A fee recommendation was formed by the President and President's staff. With the support of the Vice President for Student Services and the Associate Vice President for Budget and Finance, this recommendation was then voted on by the Student Government Associations. After student review, the Vice President for Student Services received approval from the Auxiliary Facilities Committee for those applicable fees. The approved recommendation was then submitted by the Vice President for Student Services and Associate Vice President for Budget and Finance to the President for consideration before final submission to the Western Illinois University Board of Trustees.

Room and Board Rates: A room and board cost recommendation was developed through finance and auxiliary staff. This recommendation was then voted on by the Inter-Hall Council. Once reviewed, the Inter-Hall Council's recommendation was forwarded to the Auxiliary Facilities Committee for approval. The approved recommendation was then submitted by the Vice President for Student Services and the Associate Vice President for Budget and Finance to the President for consideration before final submission to the Western Illinois University Board of Trustees.

The discontinuation of the cost guarantee to new graduate students beginning Fall 2021 is proposed without the support of the Graduate Council.

Policy Considerations and Planning Parameters

The following policies and planning parameters are considered when making tuition, fee, and room and board recommendations to the Board of Trustees.

- **Generating revenue to successfully attain the highest priorities and goals identified in *Higher Values in Higher Education*.** Western Illinois University's Fiscal Year 2021 All Funds Operating Budget was \$201.2 million. Approximately 28-percent of the University's budget is derived from the University Income Fund (tuition) and approximately 25-percent is derived from state funds. The remaining 47-percent is generated by the University's Auxiliary Facilities System (revenue from room and board and the University's bond revenue fee which supports University Housing and Dining Services, University Union, and Campus Recreation), and other Non-Appropriated Funds (revenue generated from external grants and contracts, self-supporting entities, and fees).
- **Extending commitments of access and affordability to students from Illinois and beyond.** Tuition for all undergraduate and graduate domestic students are assessed at the in-state rate.
- **Supporting the statewide strategic plan for higher education, that college is affordable for all Illinoisans, particularly low-income students.** Tuition and fees for Fiscal Year 2021 undergraduate students at Western Illinois University ranked eleventh out of the twelve public universities. Ranking is in descending order from highest to lowest. The school lower than Western Illinois University is Chicago State University. In recent years, Western has maintained its status of lower costs compared to other Illinois public universities. It is anticipated that this year's tuition and fee recommendations will maintain this position.

**Annual Full-Time Resident Undergraduate Tuition and Fees
Fiscal Years 2018 Through 2021**

	Annual Tuition and Fees				One Year Change	
	<u>FY2018</u>	<u>FY2019</u>	<u>FY2020</u>	<u>FY2021</u>	<u>FY2020-FY2021</u>	
Chicago State University	\$ 10,576	\$ 10,731	\$ 11,866	\$ 11,704	\$ (162)	-1.38%
Eastern Illinois University	\$ 11,458	\$ 11,584	\$ 11,769	\$ 12,063	\$ 294	2.43%
Governors State University	\$ 11,596	\$ 12,046	\$ 12,466	\$ 12,496	\$ 30	0.24%
Illinois State University	\$ 13,563	\$ 13,992	\$ 14,292	\$ 14,757	\$ 465	3.15%
Northeastern Illinois University	\$ 13,676	\$ 14,332	\$ 14,637	\$ 15,093	\$ 456	3.02%
Northern Illinois University	\$ 12,274	\$ 12,252	\$ 12,245	\$ 12,138	\$ (107)	-0.88%
Southern Illinois University						
Carbondale	\$ 12,144	\$ 13,154	\$ 13,154	\$ 13,154	\$ -	0.00%
Edwardsville	\$ 11,493	\$ 12,132	\$ 12,219	\$ 12,219	\$ -	0.00%
University of Illinois						
Chicago	\$ 13,716	\$ 13,776	\$ 13,892	\$ 14,116	\$ 224	1.59%
Springfield	\$ 11,631	\$ 11,831	\$ 11,831	\$ 11,929	\$ 98	0.82%
Urbana\Champaign	\$ 15,074	\$ 15,094	\$ 15,122	\$ 15,774	\$ 652	4.13%
Western Illinois University	\$ 11,267	\$ 11,267	\$ 11,666	\$ 11,724	\$ 58	0.49%
WIU Rank by Year (1 = Highest)	11	11	12	11		
Note: Includes tuition for 30 credit hours and mandatory fees (student insurance excluded)						

FY2022 Cost Plan Recommendation

	<u>FY2019</u>	<u>FY2020</u>	<u>FY2021</u>	<u>Proposed FY2022</u>		
				<u>Amount</u>	<u>\$ Change</u>	<u>% Change</u>
<u>Macomb Campus</u>						
Undergraduate Full-time Students (30 SCH's per year)						
Tuition	\$8,541.00	\$8,883.00	\$8,883.00	\$9,238.20	\$355.20	4.00%
Fees	2,725.50	2,783.40	2,840.70	2,840.70	0.00	0.00%
Room and Board	<u>9,630.00</u>	<u>9,800.00</u>	<u>9,800.00</u>	<u>10,192.00</u>	<u>392.00</u>	4.00%
Total Cost Per Academic Year	\$20,896.50	\$21,466.40	\$21,523.70	\$22,270.90	\$747.20	3.47%
Graduate Full-time Students (24 SCH's per year)						
Tuition	\$7,767.36	\$8,155.68	\$8,155.68	\$8,481.84	\$326.16	4.00%
Fees	2,180.40	2,226.72	2,272.56	2,272.56	0.00	0.00%
Room and Board	<u>9,630.00</u>	<u>9,800.00</u>	<u>9,800.00</u>	<u>10,192.00</u>	<u>392.00</u>	4.00%
Total Cost Per Academic Year	\$19,577.76	\$20,182.40	\$20,228.24	\$20,946.40	\$718.16	3.55%
<u>Quad Cities Campus</u>						
Undergraduate Full-time Students (30 SCH's per year)						
Tuition	\$8,541.00	\$8,883.00	\$8,883.00	\$9,238.20	\$355.20	4.00%
Fees	<u>746.40</u>	<u>746.40</u>	<u>1,269.90</u>	<u>1,809.90</u>	<u>540.00</u>	42.52%
Total Cost Per Academic Year	\$9,287.40	\$9,629.40	\$10,152.90	\$11,048.10	\$895.20	8.82%
Graduate Full-time Students (24 SCH's per year)						
Tuition	\$7,767.36	\$8,155.68	\$8,155.68	\$8,481.84	\$326.16	4.00%
Fees	<u>597.12</u>	<u>597.12</u>	<u>1,015.92</u>	<u>1,447.92</u>	<u>432.00</u>	42.52%
Total Cost Per Academic Year	\$8,364.48	\$8,752.80	\$9,171.60	\$9,929.76	\$758.16	8.27%

**Interim Associate Vice President of budget and Finance Report from Dr. Teresa Smith
Western Illinois University Board of Trustees Meeting
Friday, June 11, 2021**

Recommendations

Based upon the policy considerations and planning parameters identified on the previous pages, the following are recommended to the Western Illinois University Board of Trustees:

Tuition

A 4.0-percent tuition increase for new Fiscal Year 2022 undergraduate and graduate students.

Room and Board Rates

A 4.0-percent room and board rate increase for new Fiscal Year 2022 students.

Fees for all Students

A 0.0-percent increase for new Fiscal Year 2022 Macomb face-to-face and extension students. Beginning in Fall 2020, the fee rate for Quad Cities courses was restructured to be incrementally adjusted over a four-year period to become equivalent with all mandatory fee rates. A 42.52-percent increase for new Quad City campus students enrolled in face-to-face courses is recommended.

Human Resources Update

Recruitments

Vice President for Student Success

Three finalists had on-campus interviews. We hope to be able to announce an appointment by the Board meeting and possibly before.

Vice President for Finance and Administration

The University chose not to fill the position from the applicants received through the March 1 search. The position will be re-advertised with a slightly revised announcement in June with the review of applicants to begin in mid-July.

Vice President for Enrollment Management

The search committee is completing the screening of applicants and preparing to conduct initial virtual interviews.

Chief Human Resource Officer

At current an offer is pending following an on-campus visit by two candidates. An update will be provided at the Board meeting.

Director of Purchasing

This position has been closed without a successful candidate chosen. The search will reopen in July with hopes of having a Director on board by September. This position has gleaned only a small pool

of qualified applicants and there is a need to rework both the job description and the advertisement with hopes of creating a deeper pool of qualified candidates.

Return to Work

The following return to work declaration has been sent to all employees and is presented here so that the Board will have full knowledge of the plans.

Western Illinois University plans to return to a traditional on-campus experience in Fall 2021. Employees' physical in-person work arrangements that were in place prior to March 11, 2020 will resume beginning July 1, 2021. The Temporary Alternative Work Arrangement Agreements that have been in place since March 2020 will end June 30, 2021.

In addition, the following arrangements will conclude June 30, 2021:

- *Temporary suspension of the State Universities Civil Service System (SUCSS) rules due to the emergency caused by the COVID-19 pandemic.*
- *Critical Incident Period as identified in the WIU/UPI Memorandum of Agreement.*
- *WIU's extension of Emergency Sick Leave from the Families First Coronavirus Response Act.*
- *Previously approved reasonable accommodations due to COVID-19. Note that non-COVID related accommodations will continue. Employees who wish to request an accommodation after July 1, 2021 must complete a Disability Documentation and Accommodation Request Form at bit.ly/WIUEmployeeAccommodation.*

The return-to-work plans are subject to change should the State of Illinois "Restore Illinois" plan move back and/or pandemic guidelines change. WIU's COVID-19 protocols will remain in place until further notice (face coverings, limited groups, social distancing). For more information and for COVID-19-related updates, visit wiu.edu/coronavirus.

Finance Update

The Financial Audit FY2020 is nearing completion and may in fact be finalized before the Board meeting. This past year, as was expected, has brought about some unusual delays with the external auditors and the OIG.

The Financial Audit FY2021 entrance interview has been held and work is underway to conduct this audit. The plan is to have closure and a finalized report by January 2022.

Budget Update

The FY22 Preliminary Spending Plan has been developed and will be presented as a Board Resolution. Budget meetings were held over the past two months with Vice Presidents and department heads to review potential budget adjustments for both personnel and operating expenses.

In conclusion, the following reports and resolutions may be found within the Board package. Each of these will be presented and discussed as needed. These items include: FY21 financial update; student tuition guarantee rate for graduate students (held over from the March Board meeting); purchasing updates; refunding of bond debt; FY22 Preliminary Spending Plan and Office of Public Safety adjustments to work day.