

WESTERN ILLINOIS UNIVERSITY  
BOARD OF TRUSTEES  
Minutes of the Meeting  
September 29, 2017

The meeting of the Board of Trustees of Western Illinois University convened at 8:04 A.M. at the University Union Capitol Rooms – WIU Macomb. Chair Cathy Early presided.

The following trustees were present and available to answer roll call:

Trustee Roger Clawson  
Trustee Lyneir Cole  
Trustee Cathy Early  
Trustee Carolyn Ehlert Fuller  
Trustee William Gradle  
Trustee Todd Lester  
Trustee Steven Nelson  
Trustee Yvonne Savala

Also present for the open meeting of the Board of Trustees:

President Jack Thomas  
Legal Counsel Rica Calhoun  
Board Treasurer and Vice President for Administrative Services Matt Bierman  
Interim Provost and Academic Vice President Kathy Neumann  
Vice President for Student Services Ron Williams  
Vice President for Advancement and Public Services Brad Bainter  
Vice President for Quad Cities and Planning Joe Rives

Advisory Group Representatives present:

Council of Administrative Personnel President – Audrey Adamson – Macomb  
Civil Service Employees Council President – Stacy Dorethy – Macomb  
Student Government Association President – Grant Reed – Macomb  
Faculty Senate Chair – Steve Rock – Macomb

**REVIEW AND APPROVAL OF BOARD MEETING MINUTES**

Trustee Savala moved to approve the June 8-9, 2017 Board Meeting and July 13-14, 2017 Board Retreat minutes. Trustee Lester seconded the motion.

Roll Call

Trustee Roger Clawson	Yes
Trustee Lyneir Cole	Yes
Trustee Cathy Early	Yes
Trustee Carolyn Ehlert Fuller	Yes
Trustee William Gradle	Yes
Trustee Todd Lester	Yes
Trustee Steven Nelson	Yes
Trustee Yvonne Savala	Yes

## PUBLIC COMMENTS

Bill Thompson addressed the Board in support of Resolution 17.9/4 and offered the UPI's support of the Board and the Administration in obtaining increased appropriated funding and realizing the University's highest priority. Thomson identified the fiscal welfare and raising of the staff and faculty salaries as the University's highest priority, and looks forward to this priority supported not only in the legislature but on campus as well. He further stated that although there is strong disagreement between the UPI and Administration on other things, the UPI and Administration are as one on desiring increased appropriations, and suggests lobbying together in Springfield on this issue. A united management and labor front will get people's attention and should play well in the media, fulfilling the President's and BOT Chair's call for unity. We are stronger together than apart.

Ruth Kelly, a Professor in the Department of Psychology, addressed the Board in support of Resolution 17.9/4. This Resolution affirms that salary increases for faculty and staff meet and exceed that of peer institutions, which is necessary to ensure high quality educational opportunities for Western students and should be endorsed as Western's highest priority. As a senior faculty member of 24 years, she is impressed by Western's community involvement and working together to achieve common goals. She spoke as an advocate of Western's 50-year school psychologist program and concerns related to the importance of replacing retiring faculty and make sure we prevent faculty from seeking out other opportunities. She is hopeful we can continue to recruit quality people to work in academics to train the students to work with elementary, preschool, middle school, and high school students.

Jim La Prad, a Professor in the Department of Educational Studies, addressed the Board in support of Resolution 17.9/4, and referenced the recent turbulent times and unprecedented state lack of budget for higher education. He is concerned about how these events have affected the ethos of the fabric of our community of faculty, staff, and students. We are the heart of the University. There is a lot of tension and morale, for a long time, is probably the lowest it has been. There is a lot of concern in the community. The idea of salary reductions for faculty and staff is disconcerting when other Illinois institutions are looking to increase faculty and staff salaries.

Jeff Laurent, a Professor in the Department of Psychology addressed the Board in support of Resolution 17.9/4. He is in the same program as Dr. Ruth Kelly, and wanted to mention that the school psychology program serves a unique population in terms of rural school psychologists. He came twelve years ago from Illinois State University and has not regretted his decision to come to WIU until recently, and has elected to retire because things do not seem to be getting better here. He hopes that things do get better for those that remain at Western. He hopes that his story may influence the Board in some way in terms of thinking of the future of Western and how to make it a stronger institution.

Christy Keefe, an Assistant Professor in the Department of Psychology, also in the school psychology program and our clinical community mental health master's program, which has been around with a strong reputation for 40 years training mental health professionals, addressed the Board in support of Resolution 17.9/4 to keep salary averages close to peer institutions. She is starting her career at WIU and looking into the future sees her role in representation of WIU, and as a licensed psychologist, she has many options, but feels that she has rightly chosen to be an instructor and educator. She was trained at a time in the last decade or so, when there has been a ballooning of academic costs and tuition, and saddling of student debt coming into her profession. She feels that keeping and maintaining salaries will help her to continue to make the choice to be here and to support our excellent graduates.

Dave Hunter, a Professor in the Department of Engineering and Technology, spoke in support of Resolution 17.9/4 and, although he is nearing the end of his teaching career, he spoke in support of keeping the University strong and the retention of some of our new faculty such as Christy Keefe.

Amanda Divin, an Assistant Professor in the Department of Health Sciences and Social Work, addressed the Board in support of Resolution 17.9/4. As a nine-year faculty member at WIU she expressed her sadness regarding the budget impasse and understands that money is tight for everyone, but indicated that faculty need to keep up with the rate of inflation and peer institutions in order to continue to choose to stay here. Without that hope, then faculty begin to lose motivation and cannot strive for excellence, which is one of the pillars of Western. WIU strives for excellence. Energy is contagious and faculty can spread that energy to our students. Leaving faculty will have an impact on the town, all of our students, and everything that we do here. The faculty want hope in order to be able to strive for excellence, and to not have to settle for mediocrity. The budget impasse came about because Rauner wanted to get rid of mediocrity, increase excellence, encourage people to work hard, earn, and do well. That is what the faculty at WIU also want. Increased demands without some type of equality in keeping up with inflation and our peer institutions will ensure that faculty can do the best for our students, the University, and for the State of Illinois.

Richard Filipink, a Professor in the Department of History, addressed the Board and spoke against Resolution 17.9/8 regarding the maintenance of closed session meeting minutes. As a historian, he expressed his frustration with the permanent suppression of information that makes his and others' jobs very difficult to do, and feels that it is a violation of the spirit of the Open Meeting Act to permanently close meeting minutes beyond the two to three years since the meetings actually took place. He calls for the Board to release the closed session meeting minutes of these two and three year old meetings.

Tracy Walters, an Instructor in the Department of Psychology addressed the Board in support of Resolution 17.9/4. As a new faculty member, she expressed her concern about the ability to afford to stay at WIU if salaries do not stay at or above those of peer Institutes. She loves teaching and wants to continue to do so at WIU, but is concerned that she may not be able to afford to stay at WIU if things stay the same.

Heriberto Urby, Jr., an Assistant Professor in the Department of Health Sciences and Social Work who teaches Emergency Management, which is a pioneer program in Illinois soon celebrating its 10-year anniversary at WIU. He left in 2015 to teach in Texas for 2 years and is glad that he returned to WIU this semester. However, he is receiving the same salary as when he left. WIU's program is growing. We need to continue to go forward and tell faculty that they are valued. He wants to continue where he is, continue to grow, and not yet retire. WIU has good faculty and they should be valued and paid for what they are worth, therefore he supports Resolution 17.9/4.

### **CHAIRPERSON'S REMARKS**

Chair Early welcomed everyone to the meeting.

She gave highlights of the good things happening on campus.

- Happy homecoming, great week to celebrate, here for our students, welcome back alumni to have gone on to success and come back to revisit campus, individuals on campus, and the local community. Enjoy the weekend.

## **PRESIDENT'S REMARKS**

The President's Remarks were as follows:

Thank you Chair Early. Good morning.

Before I begin my remarks, I ask that we have a moment of silence for College of Arts and Sciences Development Director Bryce Dexter, and Thea Gentry-Harris, a campus operator, both of whom recently passed away. Bryce and Thea were incredible assets to this University and to the community. They will be missed.

### **MOMENT OF SILENCE**

Thank you. Our hearts are with Bryce's and Thea's family members and friends.

I would like to begin by thanking the entire University community for the part that each of you played in helping us thrive during a tough year due to the state of Illinois budget impasse. We are grateful that we now have a budget. Hopefully, the toughest part is behind us. A week or so ago, an A.C.E. fellow visited the Macomb Campus for one week to shadow me, and one thing that she said after attending the Faculty Senate meeting and various other meetings is that we have been so involved in surviving, that we really can't see that we are thriving. This really made a lot of sense as we look at all of things that we have accomplished, even during these difficult times, in terms of our rankings, which I will talk briefly about a little later. She stated that WIU is one of their aspirational institutions, which is an institution that they are thriving to be like in terms of the peer rankings and so forth. It meant a lot to hear someone from the outside come in and give us some positive comments about our University. We have a lot to be proud of, and I want to thank all of you for what you did during these times. I heard every word that you just stated. We appreciate that. We do understand, and we will do the best that we can as administrators in working and making sure that this is a great place for everybody to work. It not only has affected our faculty, but it has affected all of us—our staff, our students, and the administration as well. Know that we love and care about the people here at Western Illinois University. We will do all that we can to make it a great place to work. We spend most of our time here and our University should be a place where we enjoy coming and meeting our goals, as well as doing great things, and a place where we shape outstanding students. So give yourselves a well-deserved round of applause this morning.

This is a busy weekend, with many activities planned to celebrate Homecoming. We welcome our alumni and friends back home to Western this weekend, and I would like to extend congratulations to this year's grand marshals, Dave and Jackie Thompson. Jackie, a 1985 and 1994 graduate, served as the vice president for administrative services at Western for 14 years. She retired in 2011 after 41 years of service. Dave, a 1972 graduate, is a Macomb Northwestern Mutual Financial agent. They have done so much to support this great University, and provided funds for the Rock Hanson Statue. Let's give them a round of applause.

On Monday, we hosted our annual Founders' Day in Macomb, and in the Quad Cities on Tuesday, to honor our humble beginnings and to celebrate this great institution's successes. We are grateful that Senator Kirk Dillard spoke at Founders' Day events on the Macomb and Quad Cities campuses. Founders' Day was different this year, since I gave the State of the University Address at the inaugural University Assembly in August. The University Assembly was an opportunity to come together around a common goal: transforming lives through education. The purpose of my message in that speech was to convey that the sun is now rising at Western Illinois University. Today, our toughness, resilience, and vigor are demonstrated as we put forth a budget recommendation for Fiscal Year 2019.

August 21 marked the beginning of the Fall 2017 semester, and on September 8, we released our tenth-day total student enrollment figure. Our overall enrollment is down 9 percent. Currently, our overall total enrollment is 9,450 students. We have established a goal to stabilize enrollment at 10,000 students during these turbulent times, and work is underway to realize that goal. The enrollment management team has enhanced recruitment strategies, which Ron Williams will speak about later.

We are pleased that our new graduate student class slightly increased. An enhanced focus on dual enrollment is coming to fruition as we went from serving 19 dual-enrolled high school students to 41 this Fall, which derived from the summits held by the President's Executive Institute. We have plans in place to remedy the decrease in our transfer student enrollment in the coming year. We are confident that our new transfer scholarships, which have been brought up to benchmarked levels, will make WIU the right choice for transfer students.

Vice President Joe Rives was tasked with visiting community colleges to discuss and enhance our articulation agreements, and we expect to see the results of these efforts in the coming year. We are also pleased with the work that the military task force is doing to increase the number of active and veteran military members we serve. I have stated on many occasions that the Honors College should be on the forefront of the University. We are very pleased that we now have over 900 students in our Centennial Honors College. I want to thank Dr. Rick Hardy and the work that they do there as well.

I want to thank the entire University community for embarking upon a collective effort to aggressively recruit and retain the best and brightest students in our region. We all are responsible for student recruitment and I commend you for your efforts. Many of us have engaged in tremendous efforts to overcome the crisis of confidence occurring in the state of Illinois.

The decisions we were forced to make to reduce expenditures have not been easy and we have agonized over every choice or every decision.

While we are pleased for the appropriations we are receiving sporadically from the state, we accept delivery of these funds with guarded optimism. The University is slated to receive a total of \$46.3 million dollars in Fiscal Year 2018, which is a 10 percent decrease from FY15 state appropriations. It bears repeating: this is a 10 percent reduction from FY15 and is \$18 million dollars less than what we received in 2002. It will take a concerted effort and considerable time to overcome the negative effects of the budget impasse. Due to future uncertainties, increased cost-shifting from the state to universities and the far-reaching impact of the seven hundred plus day impasse, it is vital that we maintain Western's ongoing fiscally conservative practices and explore alternate opportunities for growth. Despite these financial challenges, we continue to thrive because of the outstanding students, staff, faculty, and administrators who comprise this great University.

We are proud to celebrate the many successes at Western Illinois University, which include being recognized in various rankings for many years, including:

- The Princeton Review for fourteen consecutive years,
- U.S. News and World Report for thirteen consecutive years,
- G.I. Jobs Magazine for eight consecutive years, and
- Military Times EDGE Magazine for seven consecutive years.

These are just a few of the accomplishments bestowed upon this fine University in the past year.

Looking toward the future, we have plans in place to invest in high demand programs. Representatives from the Provost's Office and other departments are considering moving specific degree programs with a high demand of interest among prospective students, including veterans and military service members to be offered fully online.

We must develop more online, hybrid and non-traditional courses, which will assist with growing our enrollment. We have seen some increases when we do those hybrid and online programs, as we have done with the Bachelor of General Studies. There are individuals that want other discipline-specific kinds of programs to be offered online or in a hybrid format. When we compare ourselves to other institutions, some of the other institutions are doing a little better, because they have both. The Provost and her staff are working with the Deans and Chairs to look at some of those programs that are almost complete, and only need a few courses to be available completely online. These are the things that we must do in order to be competitive with other institutions, to get our share of students, to grow our enrollment, and to grow our programs.

WIU remains the right choice for a world-class college education. Hopefully, you have seen some of the yard signs and digital advertising associated with our “Right Choice” campaign. I would like to, personally, thank Dr. Rick Hardy and Trustee Gradle for their diligent work in distributing hundreds of the small and large signs all over the region. We have more signs, so please see Wil Gradle or Dr. Rick Hardy, or just stop by the Honors College to pick up your signs.

I also want to mention one other item regarding Trustee Gradle. This summer, Wil pedaled 3,720 miles from San Francisco to Washington, DC, and personally raised over \$10,000 for individuals with disabilities. He is the prime example of what it means to be a Leatherneck. Let’s give Wil a round of applause.

Moving on to other matters, last week we were honored to host the Illinois Board of Higher Education Meeting here at Western. The meeting had not been hosted at Western in over a decade. We wish to thank all those who worked diligently to provide outstanding hospitality and service to the board, university presidents, and guests. I received many comments about how our guests were welcomed warmly and treated well during their stay with us.

It is my hope that we will come together as a University with the same cohesion to pursue the goals of the Strategic Plan and the Supplement.

First, during these challenging times, we will work together as a University community to stabilize total enrollment around 10,000 students, while remaining dedicated to academic excellence and educational opportunity.

Second, we will provide enhanced educational opportunities. We are supportive of new and expanded academic programs and varied course delivery methods that are mission-driven, demonstrate high levels of quality, and meet marketplace and student demands.

Third, we will expand our community engagement.

In conjunction with the President’s Executive Institute is our fourth goal, which is to increase external funding.

Our fifth goal is to continue to support conservative fiscal management and mission-driven planning. It is this history, tradition, and practice that allows us to weather this storm caused by the state’s budget impasse. We will continue to operate as efficiently and effectively as possible.

Let us now turn to personnel matters. I would like to welcome and recognize Sara Payne as the newest member of my staff. Sara has already proven to be a tremendous asset to the office.

The Budget Director search is moving forward as the search committee has held phone interviews with the candidates and reference check phone calls have been held.

The Provost Search Committee has now been constituted and will meet for the first time next week. Steve Rock will be chairing the search committee as chair of the Faculty Senate.

This is an exciting and challenging time to be a part of the fabric of Western Illinois University. Now is the time to set aside the pains of the past, enjoy the blessings of the present, and look forward to the promises of the future.

I look forward to seeing many of you this weekend, including at the unveiling of the Colonel Rock Hanson Statue at 2 p.m. today near Hanson Field, the all-alumni social this evening at the Alumni House, and the old Stompin' Ground Runaround tomorrow morning. Please join me tomorrow for the parade, the alumni picnic, and the Homecoming football game.

Have a great day and please enjoy the Homecoming festivities!

Cathy Early thanked President Thomas and additionally recognized Duke Oursler for creating the Rock Hanson statue that will be unveiled today at 2:00 p.m., and for being named the 2017 Town & Gown award recipient.

#### **LEGISLATIVE UPDATE**

Assistant to the President for Governmental Relations Jeanette Malafa addressed the Board.

Malafa's remarks were as follows:

For the past two Fall board meetings, I have stood here and told you that a State Budget has not passed. Well, this year is different! We do have a budget as you know. We received funding to finish out FY17 and a 10% cut for FY18 appropriations. This is the good news.

The other side of that coin is not so shiny. The State Budget is hundreds of millions of dollars out of whack, with predictions of being up to \$1B in the red by the end of the fiscal year. First, the State Budget is built using revenue estimates and the Governor's Office of Management and Budget states that revenue is likely down \$300 - \$500M compared with the estimates used for the FY18 budget plan. (FY17 revenues were down \$600M, or 2.1%, from FY16.) Secondly, the savings from the newly enacted pension plan was budgeted to generate \$500 million in anticipated savings. These savings will not be realized during the current fiscal year (with predictions saying savings won't materialize until FY20). Lastly, the budget did not include the full cost of \$600M in borrowing costs to pay down the \$6B in unpaid bills.

Some are predicting that there will be no State Budget next year going into an election year. As you know from past experience, anything can happen and we need to enjoy the predictability of this year's budget for the moment.

Veto Session is scheduled for the weeks of October 24 and November 7<sup>th</sup>. There are only a few bills out there that affect higher education: SB 81, that would increase the minimum wage to \$15/hour by 2022 and HB 2525 that contains some workers' compensation reform. Both bills were vetoed in totality by the Governor.

The other looming issue is higher education reform. Senator Chapin Rose and Representative Dan Brady held a press conference this week to announce a piece of the legislation that they will be filing on higher education reform.

- Creates a uniform admission application to be accepted at all public universities in Illinois. Any high school student with a grade of B or better average will qualify for automatic admission to an academically appropriate public university if they maintain their B average through graduation. Students will receive an acceptance letter from that institution setting forth any grants or scholarship offers extended by the institution at that time.
- IBHE shall: conduct a study ranking the quality of academic departments to corresponding other departments at other public universities and campuses in Illinois; produce a statement of excellence for each campus; institute an economic efficiency review of each campus and the top eight ranked academic departments statewide; study the opportunity for merit-based financial aid and report its recommendations to the General Assembly including how to pay for such a program; and study the concept of multi-year budgeting and report to the General Assembly no later than January 1, 2019.

This legislation is seen as a starting point for the larger topic of higher education reform, so its anyone guess what will be on the table at the end.

Finally, and interestingly, the composition of the General Assembly is changing rapidly ...even before the election with numerous retirements, resignations, or announcements of running for other office. A total of 23 House members have either resigned or announced that they weren't running for reelection. Historically, the House averages 16.5 retirements/resignations every two years. The House of Representatives is already at 23 after just nine months of the 100th General Assembly. The Senate, which has so far seen 7 retirement announcements or resignations since January, doesn't have a "normal" rate of resignations due to term length and structure. But one major resignation occurred with Senate Minority Leader Christine Radogno resigning her seat in July. Senator Brady took the reins as Senator Minority Leader.

I will take any questions as this time.

Trustee Nelson asked Malafa that a copy of her report on Public Act 20.17 be sent to him, as it appeared to be missing from his meeting materials.

## **GENERAL COMMENTS BY VICE PRESIDENTS**

### **Academic Services**

Interim Provost and Academic Vice President Kathy Neumann talked about Homecoming activities and emphasized how nice it is to see and hear from alumni how WIU influenced their personal lives.

VP Neumann thanked anyone for the outreach efforts to prospective students, which are appreciated and have made a difference, especially noticeable within the graduate programs. Twenty of our forty graduate programs either maintained or increased in enrollment this Fall across the various colleges, including all of the programs in the College of Business and Technology.

VP Neumann outlined numerous accomplishments and initiatives throughout Academic Affairs, as well as upcoming events at the University.

Trustee Ehlert Fuller asked about the instance in VP Neumann's comments where WIU had numerous applications for minimal seats. VP Neumann explained that it was our Communications Sciences and Disorders program where they are limited in the number of students that they can take primarily due to the



number of clinical opportunities that the students have available to them. Trustee Ehlert further asked if we could branch out into other business or military settings to afford more opportunities for the students and VP Neumann advised that these ideas would be explored.

Trustee Gradle asked if, as we are transitioning programs to an online platform, we are also updating how we evaluate those programs? In other words, are there procedures to assess whether new online programs are rigorous and worthwhile? VP Neumann responded that CTR monitors to help make sure that the classes are current, both in content and in the types of things that they are delivering. There are ongoing discussions about how we can ensure and encourage student feedback.

### **Student Services**

Vice President for Student Services Ron Williams discussed enrollment as a concern and continuing priority. To address the retention concerns, a triangulated approach that consists of new and enhanced University-wide initiatives, targeting activities, and external partnerships that have measureable outcomes. VP Williams expanded with an in-depth description of each of the programs and initiatives within these three areas to address recruitment, retention, and enrollment.

VP Williams highlighted initiatives and accomplishments throughout Student Services, as well as upcoming events at the University.

Trustee Early asked if there was an idea of when WIU might receive the 2017-2018 MAP money. VP Williams deferred to VP Bierman for response. VP Bierman answered that he was told we could hopefully receive Fall MAP sometime in December and Spring MAP in late April.

Trustee Lester asked what the increase from 2003 to 2009 related to MAP grants means to WIU. VP Williams explained that WIU did not implement the change. Rather, the formula that is used to determine how much a student gets for MAP had been based on tuition and fees from 2003 and 2014, and so the good news was that they have now moved it up to 2009-2010. We are moving forward. VP Bierman further explained that it did not change the monies allocated by ISAC to distribute. Students may get more money as a person, but as a total, we do not know if they will be able to give out more money to more students.

Trustee Cole questioned whether we have we closed more floors in the dorms based on Fall enrollment. VP Williams responded that we do have floors closed in the dorms and the administration in University Housing and Dining have been very strategic about how they manage the buildings so that there is a good sense of synergy in the buildings and that we are utilizing the halls to the best efficiencies based on the enrollment that we have. That is an annual process that they consider.

Trustee Nelson asked if we would be offering flu shots to students. VP Williams responded that we will.

Trustee Early commented about the tremendous experience it was to help with move-in and connect with parents and students, along with other community members, and further applauded UHDS for encouraging volunteers on campus and in the community.

### **Advancement and Public Services**

Vice President Brad Bainter made mention of the successful event surrounding the implosion of Higgins Hall. He referenced the most recent issue of Western Magazine, which will include a history of the residence life at WIU, and Alumnus Pat Magoon. Social media is growing and new videos are completed. He also spoke of the passing of Brice Dexter and Red Miller as friends and supporters of WIU.

VP Bainter noted initiatives and accomplishments across the division of Advancement and Public Services, along with recent staffing changes/needs.

Trustee Gradle offered thanks having noticed the increased University communication, and the resulting marketing efforts that have gone up significantly. VP Bainter referenced the Western Magazine and the efforts of all of the staff and others across campus who have taken the initiative and gave extra effort to support WIU in this publication, along with many other ongoing marketing initiatives, including social media use.

Trustee Ehlert Fuller complimented the Western Magazine as an excellent product.

### **Administrative Services**

Vice President Matt Bierman reported on the cash flow, funds owed, and funds received for both FY17 and FY18. WIU has been advised that it will be made whole for FY18 before the fiscal year end. Decisions are being made on an ongoing basis regarding cash flow. Vendor payments are current. WIU also renegotiated our credit limit with our purchasing card provider. VP Bierman acknowledged the extra help across campus in managing our cash flow situation to meet the demands.

VP Bierman noted additional initiatives and accomplishments across the division of Administrative Services, including the status of our various audit processes, Pcard vendor contract renewal, procurement relief/mandate per SB 8, human resource's struggle with talent acquisition/recruitment of professionals, WIU's efforts to be part of a police academy for which Richland Community College was picked, upcoming Fallen Soldiers 5K, annual ethics training, Western Ave road project, Higgins Hall implosion event and debris removal, power consumption for grant purposes, golf pro shop, volunteer of time to fix monument on Adams St, hosted WeCare with volunteers making campus improvements.

Trustee Nelson made note of the Moline school K-5 school fire in QC, and thanked VP Bierman and the President for their participation in discussions with the buyers of the 60th Street property, resulting in the children starting school again on Monday.

### **Quad Cities and Planning**

Vice President for Quad Cities and Planning Joe Rives

VP Rives noted initiatives and accomplishments in Quad Cities and Planning, including a highlight of "the numbers" which enumerated specific recent factual events and thresholds reached.

VP Rives introduced Nicky Frederickson, a new member of his staff.

VP Rives also made note of Alumnus Michael Carton who was the leading force behind the Wall That Heals, which represents the status and strength of WIU.

Trustee Ehlert Fuller commented that the Wall That Heals was a wonderful event and really impacted the community in a big way. Some QC Trustees volunteered and people came with respect in great numbers. She congratulated Michael Carton for spearheading this event.

Chair Early called for a break at 9:52 a.m.

The meeting reconvened at 10:12 a.m.

Trustee Cathy Early announced that Karl Germany and Connor Shinberger were named last night as our Homecoming King and Queen.

## ADVISORY GROUP REPORTS

### **Consent Agenda: Civil Service Employees Council, Council of Administrative Personnel, Faculty Senate, and Student Government Association:**

Written Report Submitted On Behalf of Governance Groups by Stacy Dorethy, Civil Service Employees Council:

The four constituency groups formally submit the included reports as part of their consent agenda.

We recognize all the leadership groups on campus for the jobs they are doing during these uncertain budgetary times. We encourage the BOT to continue to demonstrate clear leadership and vision. We appreciate the efforts made to update and encourage the legislators in the passing of a budget.

Based on my preliminary reading, we are pleased that the number of proposals submitted and awards received (as reported by the Office of Sponsored Projects) held steady in FY17. We also found the FY 2018 Strategic Plan Update to be comprehensive and forward looking. Despite the budgetary problems, the University is committed to moving forward. We understand that application fees are going to be waived for students who apply during a campus visit. That is a positive step. The FY19 budget requests include a minimal amount for salary increases. While lower than we would like to see, it is important to keep up morale and recognize the hard work of all. The State needs to provide a steady source of funding for both operating and capital budgets after too many years of neglect of higher education. We do support the capital projects funding requests.

Additionally, we highly encourage the BOT to keep our students, faculty, staff, and our four core goals in mind when making and communicating important decisions and long term planning: Academic Excellence, Educational Opportunity, Personal Growth, and Social Responsibility.

### **Council of Administrative Personnel – Audrey Adamson**

Adamson commented on the various career fairs recently held in the Quad Cities.

Written Report:

It has been a successful start to the year for COAP. Audrey Adamson began her term as president, marking the first time that a QC staff member has served in this role. We also welcomed Laura Caldwell as our new representative from Administrative Services. We are still seeking a vice-president.

At our September meeting we welcomed President Thomas to speak about his Presidential Initiatives and provided feedback. President Thomas will be joining us on October 12th for an Open Forum for all COAP members.

We continued to offer a Professional Development Scholarship and selected two COAP members, Sarah Looman and Lisa Melz-Jennings to each receive \$100 to attend upcoming conferences. Spring applications will be out in January.

COAP is reevaluating our structure and will be surveying our membership to assess needs and determine how to best serve COAP designated staff including increased communication and advocacy on important matters such as the continued furlough days for our constituents.

COAP thanks the Board of Trustees and the campus leadership for your ongoing support and guidance.

## Civil Service Employees Council Macomb President – Stacy Dorethy

Dorethy gave highlights from her written report.

Written Report:

- 1) We would like to thank all the employees of the month for going above and beyond their everyday duties. Each EOM will be recognized at the Fall CSEC Luncheon for their service to the University. We would also like to send out many thanks to their nominators for helping to recognize them for their outstanding service to Western Illinois University.

### Civil Service Employees of the Month:

- July 2017: Danette Phelps, Administrative Aide, Vice President for Administrative Services
  - August 2017: Cheryl McCulley, Staff Clerk, Human Resources
  - September 2017: Dawna Zimmerman, Procurement Officer Specialist, Purchasing
- 2) The CSEC \$100 textbook awards were granted to five Civil Service employees (done each semester) and ten \$1,000 Civil Service Dependent Scholarships (done yearly, usually nine scholarships) were awarded for the 2017-2018 academic year. Last year, one of the \$1,000 scholarships was renamed in honor of our Civil Service employees that have passed while employed at WIU.

### Summer 2017 Textbook awards:

- Heidi L. Ausbury
- Megan L. Derry
- Jaylene L. Marshall
- Brittany N. Pate
- Mark A Twitchell

### Civil Service Dependent Scholarships:

- Zoey Gray  
(Jackie Thompson Honorary Scholarship)
  - Whitney Sullivan  
(Civil Service Employees Mem Scholarship)
  - Zachary Barnett
  - Jeb Benson
  - Elijah Blasi
  - Cora English
  - Kendra Hopping
  - Ethan Huston
  - Zakary Piper
  - Cody Sikes
- 3) CSEC is currently working on this year's Fall Luncheon. It will take place on Thursday, December 7 from 11:30am – 1pm in the Grand Ballroom. This year's theme is "*Football Mania*". The Civil Service Dependent Scholarship winners will be recognized, as well as the Civil Service Employee of the Year awarded. We would like to extend an invitation to the BOT members to attend the Fall Luncheon. Please email me at [ss-dorethy@wiu.edu](mailto:ss-dorethy@wiu.edu) if you would like to attend.

The Civil Service Employees Council would like to express their sincere appreciation to the WIU Board of Trustees; President Thomas; Matt Bierman, Vice President for Administrative Services; and Cindy Lotz, Interim Human Resources Director, for their continued support of our council and to WIU's Civil Service employees.

### **Student Government Association – Grant Reed**

Reed shared his experience of his recent meeting with an Alumnus and former SGA President back on campus for the first time in 15 years.

#### Written Report:

The Student Government Association has had a great start to our 49<sup>th</sup> Legislative Session. In our first two months of business, we have successfully appointed seven students to serve as the directors in the President's Executive Cabinet. Kelly Rodgers was appointed to the position of Attorney General, Nicole Viveros to Director of Finance, Madison Lynn to Director of Academic Affairs, Rome Hamm to Director of Technology, Killian Tracey to Director of Student Services, Colton Markey to Director of Public Relations, and Justin Brown was selected as the Chief of Staff. Madeline Heinzer was also selected as our SGA Senate Clerk, and has been a meeting minutes rockstar.

Student Government was well represented at the Fall Activities Fair, where we interacted with over 45 new freshman, transfer, and current students, interested in joining Student Government.

In addition to seven cabinet appointments, we have been diligently working on filling the thirty-five plus student seats on University Committees. Six of those seats have been filled as of last week, with more on the way soon. We have passed two bills of appropriations, and one Presidential Bill of Appointment, appointing Isaac Asche, a new junior transfer student from Highland Community College, to one of our vacant Senator-at-Large positions.

In upcoming business, on October 1<sup>st</sup>, we will be holding our annual Student Government Association Retreat. Each year, the retreat is a wonderful time for our senators and cabinet members to interact with one another, through team building activities and group dynamics while learning about legislation, parliamentary procedure, and the history of Student Government. We are also in the planning phase with the Mayor of Macomb, Mike Inman, in starting the Mayor's Student Roundtable for the 2017-18 academic year. Last year was our pilot program of the Mayor's Roundtable, and we found it to be an extremely beneficial communication and development tool between the City of Macomb and Western Illinois University. As a proud Macomb native, I am incredibly pleased to get to continue this great partnership.

Moving forward, the Student Government Association remains resolute in our commitment to tirelessly fighting for the greater good of our student body; to speak for those who feel like they have no voice, to act on behalf of those who cannot, and to be forces for positive and productive changes that benefit all. Our students and their well-being is, and will always be, our number one priority.

Trustee Savala commented on her recent visit with representatives of the SGA, commending their leadership capabilities, loyalty, and pride.

### **Faculty Senate – Steve Rock**

Rock commented on the board agenda, specifically endorsing Resolution 17.9/4.

#### Written Report:

The Faculty Senate meets every two weeks during the academic year. We have addressed concerns that tutoring services do not begin in some cases until the third week of classes. There are some students who need such assistance right from the start of the semester. We invited Ron Williams, Michelle Yager, Lisa Melz-Jennings, and Tim Johnson to respond to the issues. While it appears the Writing Center is open from the first week of class, if the demand warrants, it would be appropriate to begin other assistance earlier in the semester. We were pleased to learn of Lisa's role as Academic Support Coach and Tim's role in coordinating Rocky's Resources.

Another concern was the communication plan to attract more student applications. There was a perception that WIU was not as comprehensive, timely, or aggressive as other institutions. Admissions Director Seth Miner came to Senate to explain the marketing plan. It appears that WIU is actually very timely in informing students of their admission and eligibility for financial aid. Ron Williams sent us sample copies of letters sent to prospective students, which addressed our concerns. The one area that Director Miner indicated needed expansion was more "kitchen table" materials. It was also suggested that more outreach to parents might be fruitful.

President Thomas spoke to Senate about his Presidential Initiatives for the academic year. He amplified some of the specifics to answer questions about them.

Detailed minutes from our meetings are available online at: [www.wiu.edu/facultysenate](http://www.wiu.edu/facultysenate)

## **FINANCE COMMITTEE REPORT**

### **Report No. 17.9/1: Report on Contributions**

Vice President Brad Bainter provided an update per the request of Trustee Nelson. \$7 million goal in FY17 was reached with \$7.2 million, an increase of over 30% from FY 16. The goal of \$7.5 million was set for FY18, which will be a challenge given the number of people on staff. Endowment balance is over \$50 million.

Trustee Savala recognized the generous gift from VP Rives and Scott Brouette in support of the WQPT Education Outreach program.

### **Report No. 17.9/2: Purchases of \$100,000-\$499,999.00 Receiving Presidential Approval**

Vice President Bierman referenced the correction of the clerical mistake of the group health insurance reserve amount, and submitted the report as corrected.

Trustee Nelson noted an entry for dues for FY18 of PBS of \$178,000, and another one for WTVP TV for \$250,000, and asked if those items are reimbursed to us? VP Bierman replied that WQPT is entirely funded by raised or grant dollars, so this does not come out of any appropriation, tuition or fee money, rather it is either fund raised or provided by public broadcasting grants that we receive.

Trustee Nelson asked whether the air charter services and summit leagues would be part of the athletic budget. VP Bierman indicated that was correct.

### **Resolution No. 17.9/1: Purchases of \$500,000 or Over**

Vice President Bierman outlined the two purchases requiring action, motor coach charter contract and construction for golf learning center.

Trustee Lester asked on the timing of the golf center. VP Bierman indicated it was immediate.

Trustee Gradle asked if the portion to be paid with local funds is fee dollars. VP Bierman indicated that it would be reserve dollars from AFS, and further noted that this is mostly for the purpose of covering the contingency amount, and may not be needed, as all of the fundraised dollars will be used first.

A motion was made by Trustee Ehlert Fuller to approve. Trustee Early seconded the motion.

Roll Call

Trustee Roger Clawson	Yes
Trustee Lyneir Cole	Yes
Trustee Cathy Early	Yes
Trustee Ehlert Fuller	Yes
Trustee William Gradle	Yes
Trustee Todd Lester	Yes
Trustee Steven Nelson	Yes
Trustee Yvonne Savala	Yes

Motion carried.

**Resolution:**

**WHEREAS** Western Illinois University has a need for charter bus services for Western Illinois University Athletic Department; 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

**Motor Coach Charters**

<b>ITEM DESCRIPTION:</b>	Continuous order for motor coach charter services for WIU's Athletics Department for the 2017-2019 athletic seasons with the option to renew for one additional two-year period.
<b>COST:</b>	2017-2019 season: \$775,000.00 2019-2021 season (optional renewal): \$775,000.00
<b>RECOMMENDED VENDOR:</b>	Burlington Trailways, Burlington, IA
<b>FUND SOURCE:</b>	Local
<b>BID SUMMARY:</b>	Burlington Trailways, Burlington, IA (only bid received)

**Resolution:**

**WHEREAS** Western Illinois University has a need to renovate the Harry Mussatto Golf Course Clubhouse; 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 construction of the Arthur D. and Roslyn Chown Golf Learning Center

**Construction of Golf Learning Center**

**ITEM DESCRIPTION:** The labor, material, and equipment needed to complete construction of the Arthur D. and Roslyn Chown Golf Learning Center at Harry Mussatto Golf Course on the Macomb, IL campus.

**COST:**

\$ 592,400.00	General - Laverdiere Construction
\$ 69,800.00	Plumbing – Dries Brothers Plumbing
\$ 43,600.00	Mechanical – Arnold Brothers
\$ 90,310.00	Electrical – Schaefer Electric
\$ 22,000.00	Ventilation – Frank Millard & Company
<u>\$ 47,779.70</u>	Contingency
\$ 865,889.70	Estimated total with contingency (not to exceed)

**BID SUMMARY:**

**General Contractor**

\$ 592,400.00	– Laverdiere Construction Inc, Macomb, IL
\$ 663,876.00	– Trotter General Contracting Inc, Industry, IL
\$ 730,000.00	– Peoria Metro Construction Inc, Peoria, IL
\$ 840,900.00	– Leander Construction, Canton, IL
\$1,192,000.00	– Frank Millard & Company Inc, Burlington, IA

**Plumbing Contractor:** \$ 69,800.00 – Dries Brothers Plumbing Inc, Peoria, IL

**Mechanical Contractor:** \$ 43,600.00 – Arnold Brothers Heating & Cooling, Macomb, IL  
\$ 75,000.00 – Frank Millard & Company Inc, Burlington, IA

**Electrical Contractor:** \$ 90,310.00 – TEGCO Inc dba Schaefer Electric Inc, Peoria, IL  
\$116,900.00 – Quick Electrical Contractors Inc, Fairview, IL  
\$125,300.00 – Zeller Electric Inc, Morton, IL  
\$125,993.00 – Frank Millard & Company Inc, Burlington, IA  
\$130,860.00 – Foster Jacob Inc, Peoria, IL

**Ventilation Contractor:** \$ 22,000.00 - Frank Millard & Company Inc, Burlington, IA  
\$ 25,400.00 - Arnold Brothers Heating & Cooling, Macomb, IL

**FUND SOURCE:** Foundation and Local funds

**Resolution No. 17.9/2: Approved Depositories and Signatories**

Vice President Bierman presented the resolution as submitted.

A motion was made by Trustee Ehlert Fuller to approve. Trustee Savala seconded the motion.

Roll Call

Trustee Roger Clawson Yes



Trustee Lyneir Cole	Yes
Trustee Cathy Early	Abstain
Trustee Ehlert Fuller	Yes
Trustee William Gradle	Yes
Trustee Todd Lester	Abstain
Trustee Steven Nelson	Abstain
Trustee Yvonne Savala	Yes

Motion carried.

**Resolution:**

**WHEREAS** an informational listing of approved depositories shall be made annually at the fall meeting as part of the President’s Report to the Board; and,

**WHEREAS** in accordance with Board of Trustees Regulations Section V.G.1., the following institutions have been approved as depositories of local funds:

Citizens, a Division of Morton Community Bank, Macomb, Illinois;  
 First Bankers Trust Company, Macomb, Illinois;  
 United Community Bank, Macomb, Illinois;  
 First Midwest Bank, Moline, Illinois;  
 First State Bank of Illinois, Macomb, Illinois;  
 US Bank, Chicago, Illinois;  
 Triumph Community Bank, East Moline, Illinois;  
 Mid-America National Bank, Macomb, Illinois;  
 The Illinois Funds, Springfield, Illinois;  
 Illinois National Bank, Springfield, Illinois; and,

**WHEREAS** the Vice President for Administrative Services is responsible for depositories and major accounts; and,

**WHEREAS** the following University positions and names to withdraw funds is being requested: Vice President for Administrative Services, Matthew Bierman, and President, Jack Thomas; and,

**WHEREAS** guidelines established by the President were followed:

**THEREFORE** be it resolved that the Board of Trustees approves the depositories and signature authority as presented.

VP Bainter recognized Shannon Reed for her hard work related to the fundraising and procurement for the Golf Learning Center construction project.

**Resolution No. 17.9/3: FY 2018 All-Funds Budget**

Vice President Bierman presented the resolution as submitted, and highlighted the information contained in the resolution.

A motion was made by Trustee Cole to approve. Trustee Ehlert Fuller seconded the motion.

**Roll Call**

Trustee Roger Clawson	Yes
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Trustee Lyneir Cole	Yes
Trustee Cathy Early	Yes
Trustee Ehlert Fuller	Yes
Trustee William Gradle	Yes
Trustee Todd Lester	Yes
Trustee Steven Nelson	Yes
Trustee Yvonne Savala	Yes

Motion carried.

**Resolution:**

**WHEREAS** Western Illinois University must prepare an annual all-funds budget for Appropriated Funds, University Income Funds, and All Other Funds for the Illinois Board of Higher Education, Illinois State Legislature and the Governor; and,

**WHEREAS** the Fiscal Year 2018 all-funds budget requires Western Illinois University Board of Trustees approval prior to submission; and,

**WHEREAS** the *Fiscal Year 2018 All-Funds Budget* presented today advances the goals of the University's Strategic Plan, *Higher Values in Higher Education*, on both Western Illinois University campuses, and statewide strategic planning goals for higher education, as identified in IBHE's *Illinois Public Agenda for College and Career Success*; and,

**WHEREAS** the *Fiscal Year 2018 All-Funds Budget* presented today maintains Western Illinois University's public commitments to conservative fiscal management and public accountability to students, their families, and state taxpayers:

**THEREFORE** be it resolved that the Board of Trustees approves the Fiscal Year 2018 All-Funds Budget as presented in the *Fiscal Year 2018 All-Funds Budget* document and be it further resolved that the President be authorized to make technical adjustments in these budgets if necessary.

## Fiscal Year 2018 All-Funds Budget

To ensure full budgetary disclosure within Illinois public universities, the Illinois Board of Higher Education requires each public university Board of Trustees to approve a budget for the upcoming fiscal year. The plan must include all sources of university funds categorized by State Appropriated Funds, University Income Funds, Auxiliary Services Funds, and All Other Non-Appropriated Funds. The budget approved by the Western Illinois University Board of Trustees is submitted to the Illinois Board of Higher Education, Illinois State Legislature, and the Governor.

The following table presents Western Illinois University's *Fiscal Year 2018 All-Funds Budget* to be approved by the Western Illinois University Board of Trustees. This budget is presented with a FY2018 state appropriation of \$46.3 million. This is the amount that was passed by the General Assembly on July 6, 2017. .

Western Illinois University Fiscal Year 2018 All-Funds Budget					
	State Appropriated	University Income	Auxiliary Facilities System	Other Non- Appropriated	Total
Personal Services	\$ 40,883,000	\$ 57,617,000	\$ 12,800,000	\$ 14,000,000	\$ 125,300,000
Medicare	703,800	896,200	200,000	160,000	1,960,000
Contractual Services	2,199,400	9,000,600	18,000,000	14,500,000	43,700,000
Travel	-	500,000	75,000	600,000	1,175,000
Commodities	337,300	1,267,900	400,000	2,200,000	4,205,200
Equipment	351,900	2,148,100	300,000	1,000,000	3,800,000
Awards/Grants & Matching Func	-	8,500,000	1,400,000	24,790,000	34,690,000
Telecommunication Services	131,900	368,100	100,000	500,000	1,100,000
Operation of Automotive Equip	158,400	191,600	125,000	500,000	975,000
Permanent Improvements	-	500,000	200,000	500,000	1,200,000
CMS Health Insurance	1,535,000	209,800	200,000	1,000,000	2,944,800
Other	-	-	14,000,000	250,000	14,250,000
<b>Total FY2018 Operating Budget</b>	<b>\$ 46,300,700</b>	<b>\$ 81,199,300</b>	<b>\$ 47,800,000</b>	<b>\$ 60,000,000</b>	<b>\$ 235,300,000</b>

Statewide budgeting for higher education follows a two-step process. Prior to the start of the fiscal year, the Western Illinois University Board of Trustees must approve a preliminary spending plan for the next fiscal year beginning July 1. Table 1 presents the *Western Illinois University Preliminary Spending Plan* for fiscal years 2016, 2017 and 2018. This plan was approved by Western Illinois University Board of Trustees in June (*Resolution No. 17.6/2*).

Table 2 presents the All-Funds Budget approved by the Western Illinois University Board of Trustees for Fiscal Years 2016, 2017, and 2018. Differences in values budgeted for the *Fiscal Year 2018 Preliminary Spending Plan* (Table 1) and the *Fiscal Year 2018 All-Funds Budget* (Table 2) are due to the following factors.

- The *Fiscal Year 2018 Preliminary Spending Plan*, approved by the Western Illinois University Board of Trustees in June 2017, was based on projected student enrollment. The *Fiscal Year 2018 All-Funds Budget*, presented today, is based on actual Fall 2017 enrollment.
- Western Illinois University bases institutional budgets on previous fiscal year expenditures. The *Fiscal Year 2018 Preliminary Spending Plan*, approved by the Western Illinois University Board of Trustees in June 2017, was based on estimated Fiscal Year 2017 expenditures. The *Fiscal Year 2018 All-Funds Budget*, presented today, is based on actual Fiscal Year 2017 expenditures.
- At the time of presenting the *Fiscal Year 2018 Preliminary Spending Plan* to the Western Illinois University Board of Trustees, the State's *Fiscal Year 2018 Appropriated Funds Budget* had not been enacted. On July

6, 2017, the General Assembly passed a fiscal year 2018 budget which allocates a full years worth of funding for Western Illinois University.

#### Fiscal Year 2018 Spending Priorities

Following a fiscally conservative model, Western Illinois University's annual budget preparation process uses the previous year's budget and Strategic Plan priority and resource allocation decisions as base. This practice successfully supports advancement of the *University Mission Statement* and attainment of institutional goals and priorities stated in *Higher Values in Higher Education*.

As guided by *Higher Values in Higher Education*, funds will be applied to the University's highest priorities, including increasing faculty and staff salaries to meet and exceed the average of peer institutions, support for academic programs, deferred maintenance, student recruitment, marketing and support for student scholarships and retention efforts.

Pending Board approval, the University will continue to aggressively pursue Strategic Plan priorities. Personal services, Medicare, and CMS health insurance expenditures totaling \$130.2 million represent 55.3 percent of the University's Fiscal Year 2018 planned all-funds budget expenditures, followed by items supporting the academic mission of the University: contractual services (primarily utilities and food service), awards and grants (student financial aid), and equipment.

#### Integrated Planning, Budgeting, and Accountability Reporting Processes

Because Western Illinois University engages in integrated planning, budgeting, and accountability reporting processes, the *Fiscal Year 2018 All-Funds Budget* report should be read in conjunction with The *Fiscal Year 2019 Appropriated Operating and Capital Budget Recommendations* to the Illinois Board of Higher Education identifying how funding will create sustainability for instructional, research, and service activities that directly contribute to Illinois' knowledge-based economy through successful implementation of *Higher Values in Higher Education*.

Table 1  
Western Illinois University  
Fiscal Year 2016 Through FY2018 Preliminary Spending Plan

	State Appropriated	University Income	Auxiliary Facilities System	Other Non- Appropriated	Total
Fiscal Year 2016					
Personal Services	\$ 45,526,500	\$ 61,498,700	\$ 14,200,000	\$ 14,250,000	\$ 135,475,200
Medicare	830,000	700,000	200,000	150,000	1,880,000
Contractual Services	-	11,000,000	23,300,000	14,150,000	48,450,000
Travel	-	500,000	100,000	750,000	1,350,000
Commodities	-	2,400,000	600,000	2,200,000	5,200,000
Equipment	-	3,000,000	500,000	2,000,000	5,500,000
Awards & Grants and Matching Funds	-	5,200,000	1,400,000	25,000,000	31,600,000
Telecommunication Services	-	500,000	125,000	350,000	975,000
Operation of Automotive Equipment	-	300,000	200,000	500,000	1,000,000
Permanent Improvements	-	300,000	400,000	400,000	1,100,000
CMS Health Insurance	1,744,800	-	200,000	1,000,000	2,944,800
Other	-	-	14,440,000	250,000	14,690,000
Total FY2016 Operating Budget	\$ 48,101,300	\$ 85,398,700	\$ 55,665,000	\$ 61,000,000	\$ 250,165,000
Fiscal Year 2017					
Personal Services	\$ 38,581,510	\$ 45,718,490	\$ 13,750,000	\$ 13,000,000	\$ 111,050,000
Medicare	830,000	600,000	200,000	150,000	1,780,000
Contractual Services	-	10,000,000	21,000,000	14,350,000	45,350,000
Travel	-	450,000	100,000	500,000	1,050,000
Commodities	-	2,275,200	600,000	2,100,000	4,975,200
Equipment	-	2,800,000	500,000	1,500,000	4,800,000
Awards & Grants and Matching Funds	-	6,000,000	1,500,000	25,000,000	32,500,000
Telecommunication Services	-	450,000	125,000	350,000	925,000
Operation of Automotive Equipment	-	300,000	200,000	500,000	1,000,000
Permanent Improvements	-	250,000	400,000	300,000	950,000
CMS Health Insurance	1,744,800	-	200,000	1,000,000	2,944,800
Other	-	-	13,750,000	250,000	14,000,000
Total FY2017 Operating Budget	\$ 41,156,310	\$ 68,843,690	\$ 52,325,000	\$ 59,000,000	\$ 221,325,000
Fiscal Year 2018					
Personal Services	\$ 38,611,200	\$ 53,944,000	\$ 13,500,000	\$ 13,000,000	\$ 119,055,200
Medicare	800,000	600,000	200,000	150,000	1,750,000
Contractual Services	-	9,500,000	20,000,000	14,350,000	43,850,000
Travel	-	400,000	100,000	500,000	1,000,000
Commodities	-	1,500,000	500,000	2,100,000	4,100,000
Equipment	-	2,000,000	400,000	1,500,000	3,900,000
Awards & Grants and Matching Funds	-	7,000,000	1,600,000	25,000,000	33,600,000
Telecommunication Services	-	400,000	125,000	350,000	875,000
Operation of Automotive Equipment	-	250,000	175,000	500,000	925,000
Permanent Improvements	-	250,000	400,000	300,000	950,000
CMS Health Insurance	1,744,800	-	200,000	1,000,000	2,944,800
Other	-	-	14,000,000	250,000	14,250,000
Total FY2018 Operating Budget	\$ 41,156,000	\$ 75,844,000	\$ 51,200,000	\$ 59,000,000	\$ 227,200,000

Table 2  
Western Illinois University  
Fiscal Year 2016 Through 2018 All-Funds Budget

	State Appropriated Funds	University Income Funds	Auxiliary Facilities System Funds	Other Non- Appropriated Funds	Total
Fiscal Year 2016					
Personal Services	\$ 45,556,500	\$ 59,943,500	\$ 14,200,000	\$ 13,700,000	\$ 133,400,000
Medicare	800,000	800,000	200,000	150,000	1,950,000
Contractual Services	-	10,730,200	21,000,000	15,000,000	46,730,200
Travel	-	675,000	100,000	750,000	1,525,000
Commodities	-	1,500,000	600,000	2,200,000	4,300,000
Equipment	-	2,800,000	630,000	1,700,000	5,130,000
Awards & Grants and Matching Funds	-	6,500,000	1,500,000	24,000,000	32,000,000
Telecommunication Services	-	500,000	150,000	350,000	1,000,000
Operation of Automotive Equipment	-	300,000	200,000	450,000	950,000
Permanent Improvements	-	650,000	400,000	350,000	1,400,000
CMS Health Insurance	1,744,800	-	200,000	1,000,000	2,944,800
Other	-	-	14,420,000	250,000	14,670,000
Total FY2016 Operating Budget	\$ 48,101,300	\$ 84,398,700	\$ 53,600,000	\$ 59,900,000	\$ 246,000,000
Fiscal Year 2017					
Personal Services	\$ 48,870,400	\$ 50,129,600	\$ 13,750,000	\$ 13,000,000	\$ 125,750,000
Medicare	830,000	1,000,000	200,000	150,000	2,180,000
Contractual Services	-	11,000,000	21,000,000	14,350,000	46,350,000
Travel	-	500,000	100,000	500,000	1,100,000
Commodities	-	1,625,200	600,000	2,100,000	4,325,200
Equipment	-	2,500,000	500,000	1,500,000	4,500,000
Awards & Grants and Matching Funds	-	6,500,000	1,500,000	25,000,000	33,000,000
Telecommunication Services	-	500,000	125,000	350,000	975,000
Operation of Automotive Equipment	-	300,000	200,000	500,000	1,000,000
Permanent Improvements	-	500,000	400,000	300,000	1,200,000
CMS Health Insurance	1,744,800	-	200,000	1,000,000	2,944,800
Other	-	-	13,750,000	250,000	14,000,000
Total FY2017 Operating Budget	\$ 51,445,200	\$ 74,554,800	\$ 52,325,000	\$ 59,000,000	\$ 237,325,000
Fiscal Year 2018					
Personal Services	\$ 40,883,000	\$ 57,617,000	\$ 12,800,000	\$ 14,000,000	\$ 125,300,000
Medicare	703,800	896,200	200,000	160,000	1,960,000
Contractual Services	2,199,400	9,000,600	18,000,000	14,500,000	43,700,000
Travel	-	500,000	75,000	600,000	1,175,000
Commodities	337,300	1,267,900	400,000	2,200,000	4,205,200
Equipment	351,900	2,148,100	300,000	1,000,000	3,800,000
Awards & Grants and Matching Funds	-	8,500,000	1,400,000	24,790,000	34,690,000
Telecommunication Services	131,900	368,100	100,000	500,000	1,100,000
Operation of Automotive Equipment	158,400	191,600	125,000	500,000	975,000
Permanent Improvements	-	500,000	200,000	500,000	1,200,000
CMS Health Insurance	1,535,000	209,800	200,000	1,000,000	2,944,800
Other	-	-	14,000,000	250,000	14,250,000
Total FY2018 Operating Budget	\$ 46,300,700	\$ 81,199,300	\$ 47,800,000	\$ 60,000,000	\$ 235,300,000

**Resolution No. 17.9/4: FY 2019 Appropriated Operating Budget Recommendations**

Vice President Bierman presented the resolution as submitted.

DISCUSSION

Trustee Nelson commented that being it is an election year, there may not be a budget until after the election.

A motion was made by Trustee Cole to approve. Trustee Early seconded the motion.

Roll Call

Trustee Roger Clawson	Yes
Trustee Lyneir Cole	Yes
Trustee Cathy Early	Yes
Trustee Ehlert Fuller	Yes
Trustee William Gradle	Yes
Trustee Todd Lester	Yes
Trustee Steven Nelson	Yes
Trustee Yvonne Savala	Yes

Motion carried.

**Resolution:**

**WHEREAS** Western Illinois University prepares annual appropriated operating recommendations for the Illinois Board of Higher Education, Illinois State Legislature and the Governor; and,

**WHEREAS** Fiscal Year 2019 appropriated operating budget recommendations require Western Illinois University Board of Trustees approval prior to submission; and,

**WHEREAS** the *Fiscal Year 2019 Appropriated Operating Budget Recommendations* presented today advance the goals of the University's Strategic Plan, *Higher Values in Higher Education*, on both Western Illinois University campuses, and the Illinois Board of Higher Education's statewide strategic plan for higher education, *IBHE 2012, A Strategic Plan for the Illinois Board of Higher Education*;

**THEREFORE** be it resolved that the Board of Trustees approves the Fiscal Year 2019 appropriated operating budget recommendations as presented in the *Fiscal Year 2019 Appropriated Operating Budget Recommendations* and be it further resolved that the President be authorized to make technical adjustments in the operating budget recommendations if necessary.

Fiscal Year 2019 Appropriated Operating Budget Recommendations  
Western Illinois University

Western Illinois University begins Fiscal Year 2018 with a \$127.5 million base appropriation (36.3 percent from general revenue and 63.7 percent from income fund). The University recommends a \$15.6 million general revenue increase in funding for Fiscal Year 2019 operations.

Through meaningful state support, internal reallocations, and successful implementation of the University's Strategic Plan, *Higher Values in Higher Education*, Western Illinois University continues to advance the four goals of The Illinois Board of Higher Education's *IBHE 2012, A Strategic Plan for the Illinois Board of Higher Education*;

Goal One: Increase educational attainment to match best-performing states.

Goal Two: Ensure college affordability for students, families, and taxpayers.

Goal Three: Increase the number of high-quality post-secondary credentials to meet the demands of the economy and an increasingly global society.

Goal Four: Better integrate Illinois' educational, research, and innovation assets to meet economic needs of the state and its regions.

Illinois Board of Higher Education guidelines divide operating recommendations into two categories: salary and cost increases and support for program priorities. Twenty three percent of the University's recommendation is for salary and cost increases. This includes funding for salary increases, related Social Security contributions, and other inflationary increases associated with University operations (utilities, library materials, and all other institutional operations). The remaining 77 percent of the University's recommendation supports programs identified in *Higher Values in Higher Education*.

Western Illinois University Fiscal Year 2019 Appropriated Funds Operating Budget Request			
	Dollar Increase	Percent Increase	Priority
<b>Salary and Cost Increases</b>			
Salaries (on 95% of Base)	\$1,500,000	1.60%	
Other General Costs	<u>870,000</u>	3.00%	
Total Salary and Cost Increases	\$2,370,000	1.84%	
<b>Program Priorities</b>			
Restoration of Budget Reduction	5,144,500		1
Student Financial Aid	2,000,000		2
Deferred Maintenance	4,000,000		3
Quad Cities Campus Funding (Phase I and II)	\$1,600,000		4
STEM, Regional, High Demand Program Investment	500,000		5
Total Program Priorities	\$13,244,500		
<b>Total All Increases</b>	<b>\$15,614,500</b>		



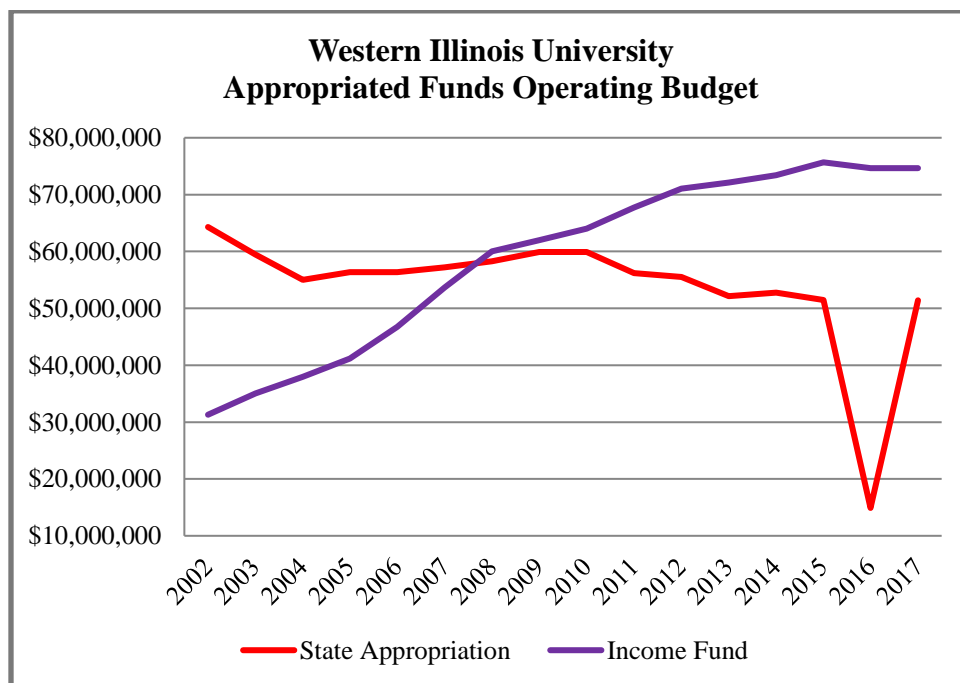
Salary Increases for Faculty and Staff. As stated in *Higher Values in Higher Education*, Western Illinois University’s highest priority is to increase faculty and staff salaries to meet and exceed the mean of peer institutions. The \$1.5 million request for salary increases is 63.3 percent of the University’s salary and cost increase recommendation. Salary erosion is a critical issue facing Western Illinois University. The ability to recruit and retain high achieving and diverse faculty and staff is directly related to ensuring educational quality. Our employees have sacrificed a great deal in the last two years with salary reductions and furloughs. Our request attempts to rebuild the salary erosion and ensure competitiveness.

Support for Program Priorities. Western Illinois University is seeking \$13.2 million in funding for program priorities identified in *Higher Values in Higher Education*. These include:

- **Restoration of budget reductions (5,144,500)** to restore important positions, reestablish technology and academic initiatives and to support for general operating increases.
- **Student Financial Aid (\$2,000,000)** to support access and affordability to higher education.
- **Permanent improvements and campus infrastructure enhancements (\$4,000,000)** to reduce the deferred maintenance backlog of over \$500 million.
- **Quad Cities Campus Funding - Phase I & II - (\$1,600,000)** for faculty and staff positions needed to support the opening of new facilities and academic programs.
- **STEM, Regional, High Demand Program (\$500,000)** provides additional support for needed faculty, staff, and equipment and facilities improvements for these programs.

The requested \$13.2 million will help restore Western Illinois University’s status as a state-supported institution of higher education. Between Fiscal Years 2002 and 2018, state general revenue support for the University decreased by \$18.0 million or 28.0 percent, which doesn’t include the unprecedented reductions of Fiscal Year 2016 . During this same time period, unfunded cost increases have been incurred for utilities, Illinois Veterans Grants, CMS health insurance and other unfunded budget items.

The effect, shown below, is that tuition costs (University Income Fund) associated with vital functions of higher education are being shifted from a shared statewide priority to the responsibility of students and their families.



Changes from Fiscal Year 2018 Operating Recommendation Request

Consistent with the University's Strategic Plan, salary increases are the University's highest priority. Cost increases for utilities, library material and other operating expenses are also important. Western Illinois University has not received funding for increased costs in over 16 years.

Western Illinois University is also requesting \$13.2 million in state funding to support its Strategic Plan, Higher Values in Higher Education. Funds to restore budget reductions, to support deferred maintenance, student financial aid, operations in the Quad Cities, STEM, Regional and High Demand programs will improve economic development, educational partnerships, access, diversity, affordability, productivity, and accountability in Illinois public higher education.

Changes from Fiscal Year 2019 Operating Increase Recommendation				
(Dollars in Thousands)				
	Fiscal Year		Difference	
	<u>2018</u>	<u>2019</u>	<u>Amount</u>	<u>Percent</u>
Total Recommended Increase	<u>\$9,900.0</u>	<u>\$15,614.5</u>	<u>\$5,714.5</u>	57.72%
Salary and Cost Increases	<u>\$1,800.0</u>	<u>\$2,370.0</u>	<u>\$570.0</u>	31.67%
Salary Increases	1,000.00	1,500.0	500.0	
Cost Increases				
Other General Materials	800.0	\$870.0	70.0	
Program Priorities	<u>\$8,100.0</u>	<u>\$13,244.5</u>	<u>\$5,144.5</u>	63.51%
Restoration of Budget Reductions	\$0.0	5,144.5	5,144.5	
Student Financial Aid	2,000.0	2,000.0	-	
Deferred Maintenance	4,000.0	4,000.0	-	
Quad Cities Campus Funding (Phase I and II)	1,600.0	1,600.0	-	
STEM, Regional, High Demand Program	500.0	500.0	-	

**Western Illinois University's Fiscal Year 2019 Operating Recommendations  
To the Illinois Board of Higher Education**

Western Illinois University's Fiscal Year 2019 operating budget request will be submitted to the Illinois Board of Higher Education October 15, 2017, pending board approval.

**FY2019 OPERATIONS AND GRANTS  
DETAIL OF RESOURCES REQUESTED FOR NEW PROGRAMS  
AND PROGRAM PRIORITIES**

NAME OF INSTITUTION: Western Illinois University

TITLE OF REQUEST: Faculty and Staff Salaries

AMOUNT REQUESTED: \$1,500,000

SOURCE OF FUNDS REQUESTED: Appropriated Funds

**BRIEF DESCRIPTION OF REQUEST:**

*Higher Values in Higher Education*, Western Illinois University's Strategic Plan, displays the University's goals, priorities, and contributions to the statewide strategic plan for higher education, *The Illinois Public Agenda for College and Career Success*. Consistent with these plans, Western Illinois University seeks funding for our highest institutional priority: meeting and exceeding average faculty and staff salaries at peer institutions.

At the core of any great university and system of higher education is a dedicated, diverse, and high-achieving employee base. Implementation and the ultimate success of the goals and priorities of *Higher Values in Higher Education* and the *Illinois Public Agenda for College and Career Success* are the direct responsibility of Western Illinois University's faculty and staff. Compensation is a critical element to the recruitment and retention of a university community dedicated to economic development, educational partnerships, access and diversity, quality, productivity, and accountability.

Recruiting and retaining high-achieving and diverse faculty and staff are directly related to improving the quality of academic and co-curricular programs and services. Such actions in the competitive job market necessitate faculty and staff salaries that meet and exceed the mean of peer institutions.

**JUSTIFICATION FOR BUDGET REQUEST:**

Illinois' strengths include its diverse economy, rich natural resources, strategic location, and well-trained workforce. Illinois owes much of its economic success and stability to the strong system of higher education. Continued prosperity is contingent upon statewide partnerships committed to investment in fair, equitable, market value faculty and staff salaries. The resources requested in this partnership proposal will be combined with other University funds to advance the highest priority actions in *Higher Values in Higher Education* which will help provide faculty and staff salaries that meet and exceed the mean of peer institutions.

**FY2019 OPERATIONS AND GRANTS  
DETAIL OF RESOURCES REQUESTED FOR NEW PROGRAMS  
AND PROGRAM PRIORITIES**

NAME OF INSTITUTION: Western Illinois University

TITLE OF REQUEST: Restoration of Budget Reductions

AMOUNT REQUESTED: \$5,144,500

SOURCE OF FUNDS REQUESTED: Appropriated Funds

**BRIEF DESCRIPTION OF REQUEST:**

*Higher Values in Higher Education*, Western Illinois University's Strategic Plan, outlines the goals in areas of affordability, student recruitment, employee recruitment, and quality academic programs. The necessary funding from state appropriations and student contributions supports our strategic plan. As the financial support for public higher education in the state of Illinois has continued to erode, the challenges surrounding our goals continue to increase. It is necessary and prudent for the citizens of Illinois to support public higher education with adequate financial support to ensure a well-educated citizenry.

**JUSTIFICATION FOR BUDGET REQUEST:**

Since Fiscal Year 2002, Western Illinois University has experienced declining State support. During that time, the appropriation from Illinois has decreased from \$64.3 million to \$46.3 million. This is a 47% decline in support when adjusted for inflation. In Fiscal year 2016, the university received only 29% of a typical appropriation. This drastic swing in support caused the University to make the very difficult but necessary decisions that have affected our current and former employees. The fiscal year 2018 state budget provided Western Illinois University an additional \$5.1 million reduction in state funding. The continued erosion of state support in fiscal year 2018 causes' further pressure on student's tuition and other revenue sources.

Western Illinois University has nearly a \$500 million economic impact on the state of Illinois. In our 16 county service region we provide quality jobs, we support the local economies; we educate students from all backgrounds and provide much of the intellectual capital for Western Illinois.

**FY2019 OPERATIONS AND GRANTS  
DETAIL OF RESOURCES REQUESTED FOR NEW PROGRAMS  
AND PROGRAM PRIORITIES**

NAME OF INSTITUTION: Western Illinois University

TITLE OF REQUEST: Student Financial Aid

AMOUNT REQUESTED: \$2,000,000

SOURCE OF FUNDS REQUESTED: Appropriated Funds

**BRIEF DESCRIPTION OF REQUEST:**

*Higher Values in Higher Education*, Western Illinois University's Strategic Plan, states:

“Western Illinois University also emphasizes affordability because a college education is essential in today’s global and highly technological community. We firmly believe that higher education, and the benefits that it accords, is an investment, and that no student should be denied a college education because of financial need. We provide access and affordability to a high-quality educational experience that is responsive to student needs and circumstances.”

Funds are being requested to provide students with financial aid opportunities to support access and affordability to higher education. Over the past several years, Federal and State grant funding has remained fairly constant, while institutional financial aid has increased and at the same time family contributions toward education have declined due to the economy. The result has created a substantial increase in need for financial assistance and has forced needy students to borrow at high levels utilizing federal student loans. Even with higher levels of borrowing, a majority have insufficient funds to pay their college expenses. Providing new and enhanced strategies for reducing the amount of student indebtedness upon graduation is consistent with University’s Strategic Plan, *Higher Values in Higher Education*, and statewide strategic planning goals for higher education, identified in The Illinois Board of Higher Education’s *Illinois Public Agenda for College and Career Success*.

**JUSTIFICATION FOR BUDGET REQUEST:**

The University is making a strong commitment to ensure that no Illinois citizen is denied access to higher education because of financial need. Funding will be used to provide scholarship funds to high-need, academically talented students to help reduce student indebtedness upon graduation.

**FY2019 OPERATIONS AND GRANTS  
DETAIL OF RESOURCES REQUESTED FOR NEW PROGRAMS  
AND PROGRAM PRIORITIES**

NAME OF INSTITUTION: Western Illinois University

TITLE OF REQUEST: Deferred Maintenance

AMOUNT REQUESTED: \$4,000,000

SOURCE OF FUNDS REQUESTED: Appropriated Funds

**BRIEF DESCRIPTION OF REQUEST:**

*Higher Values in Higher Education*, Western Illinois University's Strategic Plan, states:

“Provide safe, accessible, responsible campus environments that meet the needs of University constituencies and reflect the core values of the University.”

Providing a safe, accessible, and responsive campus environment conducive to learning is crucial in a community of learners. The University estimates a total appropriated deferred maintenance backlog over \$230 million. This large backlog of projects is negatively impacting the campus learning environment.

In addition to funds requested for deferred maintenance needs, Capital Renewal funds are used to address deferred maintenance priorities on campuses. Between FY2004 and FY2018 Western Illinois University has requested \$19.2 million in Capital renewal funds and has received \$3.6 million. This has resulted in over \$15.6 million in lost funds that would have been used to address elevator maintenance, utility infrastructure repairs, and other critical needs on campus.

**JUSTIFICATION FOR BUDGET REQUEST:**

The University is making a strong commitment toward improving the campus physical environment. A reduction in the deferred maintenance liability is viewed as integral to achieving that objective. Funds will be utilized for classroom modernization; improving HVAC and building energy management controls; enhancing electrical and plumbing distribution systems; and renovating campus sidewalks, drives, and exterior stairs.

**FY2019 OPERATIONS AND GRANTS  
DETAIL OF RESOURCES REQUESTED FOR NEW PROGRAMS  
AND PROGRAM PRIORITIES**

NAME OF INSTITUTION: Western Illinois University

TITLE OF REQUEST: Quad Cities Campus Operating Funding for Phases I and II

AMOUNT REQUESTED: \$1,600,000

SOURCE OF FUNDS REQUESTED: Appropriated Funds

**BRIEF DESCRIPTION OF REQUEST:**

The State of Illinois invested \$59.3 million to construct the first two phases of the Western Illinois University-Quad Cities Riverfront Campus in July 2009. This new location provides the physical facilities to support doubling of enrollment from current levels to 3,000 students when properly funded. Operational funding will provide the fiscal resources to support increased educational attainment of Illinois residents, ensure college affordability, address workforce needs, and enhance economic growth.

Phase I of the new Riverfront Campus opened in January 2012. The Phase I facility established a permanent home for the only public University in the Quad Cities. Phase II of the Riverfront Campus opened in August 2014. The State of Illinois made a commitment to the citizens of Illinois to create and expand educational opportunities in the Quad Cities. Western Illinois University has generated external funding and reallocated resources to support high demand programs and campus operations. We stand ready to continue expansion with the State's partnership contributions.

The current budget of Western Illinois University-Quad Cities is over \$9.0 million. No new state resources have been given for the operations and maintenance of the Quad Cities Campus, thereby delaying the growth of the Quad Cities Campus and the State's obligation to community and economic development. The \$9.0 million in appropriated funding has been reallocated from existing dollars to support the new campus. We are requesting \$1.6 million in funds to support enrollment growth and the State's commitment to residents of Illinois.

**JUSTIFICATION FOR BUDGET REQUEST:**

Western Illinois University reallocated institutional resources to open the Riverfront Campus Phases I and II as soon as construction was completed in 2012 and 2014, respectively. Educational demand has been demonstrated through steady enrollment during a period of decreasing Illinois high school and community college graduates (12% over the last four years).

The University continues to support students in a variety of majors and has made a significant investment in STEM fields. The recent addition of our Engineering to our educational portfolio has generated great interest from the manufacturing and engineering professions. We have developed partnerships with local community colleges and offer high school and community college dual enrollment options for all academic majors.

Illinois is a leading net exporter of high school graduates. The expansion of Western Illinois University gives higher education access to 400,000 residents in a region located on the Illinois/Iowa Border and helps to prevent out-of-state migration of high school graduates. As presented when the University

requested capital funds for Riverfront Campus, new faculty and staff positions and operational and maintenance support are a requisite component of the State's commitment to enrollment growth. Such actions are necessary to increase educational attainment levels of Illinois residents to match top performing states.

Western Illinois University should not be expected to maintain the state's commitment to public higher education in the Quad Cities alone, nor should it rely on large tuition increases. State appropriations to Western Illinois University have continued to decrease since Fiscal Year 2010 (the year Riverfront Campus opened), and Illinois public higher education has just now begun the process of recovering from the fiscal and enrollment impacts caused by the historic and unprecedented two-year statewide budget impasse. Exercising conservative fiscal management, Western's modest \$1.6 million request covers only a portion of the State's share of essential funds necessary to support public education of Illinois citizens.

With new state funding, Western's expenditures will remain focused on the core function of instruction. The dollars will be allocated to support building additional instructional capacity, enhancements for our STEM and other high-demand fields, and to continue to build necessary and streamlined structures to support Illinois public higher education in the Quad Cities.

Western Illinois University continues to maintain our commitment to provide an affordable education for Illinois Citizens. Our administrative and instructional costs remain below the statewide average. Our four year cost guarantee for tuition and fees, room and board rates sets us apart from other Illinois public universities. Our mission to provide access to all Illinois residents, regardless of their socioeconomic backgrounds, necessitates continued financial support from the state for our Quad Cities campus.



**FY2019 OPERATIONS AND GRANTS  
 DETAIL OF RESOURCES REQUESTED FOR NEW PROGRAMS  
 AND PROGRAM PRIORITIES**

NAME OF INSTITUTION: Western Illinois University

TITLE OF REQUEST: STEM, Regional, and High Demand Degree Programs

AMOUNT REQUESTED: \$500,000

SOURCE OF FUNDS REQUESTED: Appropriated Funds

<u>BRIEF</u>	<u>DESCRIPTION</u>	<u>OF</u>	<u>REQUEST:</u>
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To address the projected workforce needs of 1 million additional STEM graduates by 2022, to also address the needs for graduates that would serve our region, and to enhance our other high demand degree programs, Western Illinois University is increasing our investment in these areas of study. This investment moves us towards realizing the vision of a highly diverse, creative, and adequate STEM, Regional, and high demand workforce. These areas are vital to the transformation and future as a country, the future of our region, and the future of our student’s success. Likewise, the United States Department of Labor and the United States Department of Commerce continue to indicate that the demand in these areas are growing at high rate.

Likewise, the convergence of disciplines and the cross-collaboration that characterizes contemporary STEM programs, regional program needs and other high demand programs have made collaboration a centerpiece of our current efforts.

**JUSTIFICATION FOR BUDGET REQUEST:**

Funds will be used to support:

- update and improve access to existing research facilities in order to support research that can address the challenges of the 21<sup>st</sup> century.
- enable academic departments, disciplinary and cross-disciplinary units, to create or enhance facilities through the addition or augmentation of technology and cyberinfrastructure, to create environments that enhance research and integrate interdisciplinary research.
- to improve teaching effectiveness and student engagement.
- operations and purchases of essential software and laboratory equipment to support instruction and to comply with external accreditation requirement and recommendations.

The funds will also be used to provide salaries for additional full-time faculty, and support staff to accommodate the increasing numbers of students in these areas as well as provide for the necessary facilities and equipment improvements.

**Resolution No. 17.9/5: Appropriated Capital Budget Recommendations**

Vice President Bierman presented the resolution as submitted.

Trustee Lester commented his lack of support for having QC Phase Three being included.

Trustee Gradle expressed his agreement with Trustee Lester’s comment, and asked if there are ramifications for shifting the priorities. VP Bierman offered an explanation. President Thomas offered further explanation.

Trustee Nelson also expressed his agreement with Trustee Lester’s comment, and asked whether the Performing Arts Center will need to be refunded. VP Bierman and Jeanette Malafa, replied that it needed to be re-appropriated. President Thomas offered further explanation and comments.

A motion was made by Trustee Early to approve. Trustee Savala seconded the motion.

Additional discussion was had and comments were made by several Trustees.

A motion was made by Trustee Early to amend Resolution No. 17.9/5 and substitute item number six for item number 4, so the new priority table would now read:

- 1 WIU - Macomb Science Phase I
- 2 WIU - Macomb Science Phase II
- 3 WIU - Macomb Tillman Hall
- 4 WIU - Macomb Stipes Hall
- 5 WIU - Macomb Education Building
- 6 WIU - QC Phase Three

Trustee Gradle seconded the motion to amend as presented by Trustee Early.

Additional discussion was had and comments were made by several Trustees.

Roll Call

Trustee Roger Clawson	Yes
Trustee Lyneir Cole	Yes
Trustee Cathy Early	Yes
Trustee Ehlert Fuller	Yes
Trustee William Gradle	Yes
Trustee Todd Lester	Yes
Trustee Steven Nelson	Yes
Trustee Yvonne Savala	Yes

Motion carried. Amendment passes.

A motion was made by Trustee Gradle, Trustee Cole seconded the motion.

Motion carried. Resolution passes, as amended.

Roll Call

Trustee Roger Clawson	Yes
Trustee Lyneir Cole	Yes
Trustee Cathy Early	Yes
Trustee Ehlert Fuller	Yes

Trustee William Gradle	Yes
Trustee Todd Lester	Yes
Trustee Steven Nelson	Yes
Trustee Yvonne Savala	Yes

**Resolution, as originally presented, without amendments:**

**WHEREAS** Western Illinois University must prepare annual appropriated capital budget recommendations for the Illinois Board of Higher Education, Illinois State Legislature, and the Governor; and,

**WHEREAS** Western Illinois University’s Fiscal Year 2019 budget recommendations advance institutional progress and sustainability for the University’s Strategic Plan, *Higher Values in Higher Education*, Campus Master Plans on the Macomb and Quad Cities campuses, and the Illinois Board of Higher Education’s statewide strategic plan for higher education, *IBHE 2012, A Strategic Plan for the Illinois Board of Higher Education*; and,

**WHEREAS** the Fiscal Year 2019 Appropriated Capital Budget Recommendations require Western Illinois University Board of Trustees approval prior to submission:

**THEREFORE** be it resolved that the Board of Trustees approves the Fiscal Year 2019 Appropriated Capital Budget Recommendations as presented in the *Fiscal Year 2019 Appropriated Capital Budget Recommendations* document, and be it further resolved that the President be authorized to make technical adjustments in the capital budget recommendations if necessary.

<b>Western Illinois University</b>			
<b>Fiscal Year 2019 Capital Recommendation</b>			
(Dollars in Thousands)			
<u>Priority</u>	<u>Description</u>	<u>Project Type</u>	<u>Requested Amount</u>
1	WIU - Macomb Science Phase I	New Construction & Renovation	\$92,500
2	WIU - Macomb Science Phase II	Renovation	\$60,000
3	WIU - Macomb Tillman Hall	Renovation	\$30,300
4	WIU - QC Phase Three	New Construction	\$39,100
5	WIU - Macomb Education Building	New Construction	\$84,800
6	WIU - Macomb Stipes Hall	Renovation	<u>\$50,900</u>
<b>Total Recommendation</b>			<b>\$357,600</b>

Fiscal Year 2019 Capital Budget Recommendations  
Western Illinois University

Western Illinois University recommends \$357.6 million for capital projects to support high-quality academic programs, co-curricular services, and regional economic development for fiscal year 2019. All of the requested funds will support new construction on the Macomb and Moline campuses to address highly needed space for premier academic programs. A total of \$15.6 million in capital renewal funds is also requested to support critical deferred maintenance needs.

## Background

### Composition of the Recommendation

Western Illinois University operates two distinct campuses, and each has unique capital priorities and needs. The University has prioritized the overall needs of the University into the recommendation below.

A summary statement documenting need for these projects is displayed below. Additional, detailed information on the scope, design, and costs of each project begins on page three of this report.

Priority 1: Western Illinois University-Macomb Science Building Phase I The current College of Arts and Sciences' three science facilities, Currens Hall, Waggoner Hall, and Tillman Hall, are obsolete in providing high-quality comprehensive instructional laboratories. All three facilities were constructed before modern laboratory standards were developed for acceptable indoor air quality and energy efficiency. Antiquated laboratory fume-hood systems and poor quality heating, ventilation, and air conditioning systems yield inadequate comfort and humidity control. These lead to detrimental impacts on teaching; research; and student, faculty, and staff recruitment and retention. Phase I includes the construction of a new science building, an addition and remodel to Currens Hall. The new science building will consolidate existing and support new academic programs, as Western Illinois University becomes a leading comprehensive university in the United States.

Priority 2: Western Illinois University-Macomb Science Building Phase II Phase II will continue with the improvements to the science programs at WIU by renovating an existing building. Waggoner Hall will be considered for renovations to improve the overall science facilities.

Priority 3: Western Illinois University-Classroom Building Renovation Tillman Hall. Tillman Hall was originally constructed in 1954 as the first science building on the campus of Western Illinois University. The needs of the University have changed significantly since the building's original construction over sixty years ago. The deferred maintenance needs of the building are also excessive as all of the systems are past expected life.

Priority 4: Western Illinois University-Quad Cities Riverfront Campus Building Phase Three In 2010, the state committed to building the first two phases on the newly developing Western Illinois University-Quad Cities Riverfront Campus. Building Complex Three will complete the construction of the new campus that serves a regional population of 400,000 residents and leverages \$175 million in private investment and foundation support for education, entrepreneurship, technology, new jobs, and economic opportunity.

Priority 5: Western Illinois University-Education Building Horrabin Hall was originally constructed in 1965 as a laboratory school and encompassed K-12 grades. The needs of the College of Education and Human Services do not match the current building construction. This project would reconstruct the building on the site of Horrabin Hall.

Priority 6: Western Illinois University- Stipes Hall Renovation Stipes Hall was constructed in 1968 and has had no major renovations or updates. The University through is the Macomb Facilities Master Plan update and Strategic Building Renovation Matrix has identified the building as a priority for renovation. The building is a high profile, heavily used part of the academic programs on campus and it also has a high deferred maintenance backlog.

Capital Renewal The University is requesting \$15.6 million in capital renewal funds to be utilized for classroom modernization; improving HVAC and building energy management controls; enhancing electrical and plumbing distribution systems; and renovating campus sidewalks, drives, and exterior stairs.

Priority Changes from Fiscal Year 2018

The priorities for FY2018 are shown below. There are no changes between our FY19 and FY18 request.

<b>Priority Changes</b>			
Description	Project Type	<u>FY2019</u>	<u>FY2018</u>
WIU - Macomb Science Phase I	New Construction & Renovation	1	1
WIU - Macomb Science Phase II	Renovation	2	2
WIU - Macomb Tillman Hall	Renovation	3	3
WIU - QC Phase Three	New Construction	4	4
WIU - Macomb Education Building	New Construction	5	5
WIU - Macomb Stipes Hall	Renovation	6	6

Adhering to Illinois Board of Higher Education guidelines and format, the following recommendations for Western Illinois University's Fiscal Year 2019 capital projects will be made (pending Western Illinois University Board of Trustees approval).

PROJECT: WESTERN ILLINOIS UNIVERSITY - MACOMB SCIENCE PHASE I

PRIORITY: 1

RAMP BUDGET CATEGORY: Buildings, Additions, and/or Structures

REQUESTED FUNDING: \$ 92,500,000 (Planning, Design and Construction)

#### BACKGROUND DATA

The current College of Arts and Sciences' facilities, Currens Hall (physical sciences, 1970), Waggoner Hall (life sciences, 1968), and Tillman Hall (earth sciences, 1953) are obsolete in providing high-quality instructional laboratories. These facilities were constructed before modern laboratory standards were developed by the American Society of Heating, Refrigerating and Air-Conditioning Engineers. Western Illinois University science facilities fall below acceptable indoor air quality and energy-efficiency standards. The antiquated laboratory fume-hood systems and poor quality heating, ventilation, and air conditioning systems yield inadequate comfort and humidity control. This problem produces detrimental impacts on teaching, research, and student/faculty/staff recruitment and retention.

The basic teaching and laboratory layouts of Western Illinois University's current science facilities are pedagogically obsolete and do not easily allow for the integration of new science technologies. A new facility to house science-based programs will provide the ability to integrate new laboratory technologies with the latest in science pedagogy and will foster multidisciplinary interaction through the consolidation of departments from previously diverse locations. In addition, planning studies were completed to evaluate and program future projects to renovate Currens and Waggoner Halls to allow the College of Arts and Sciences to consolidate academic programs to a single campus locale and provide for additional facility improvements/enhancements for the humanities and social sciences which are critical to the mission of the College of Arts and Sciences.

The new science building and renovation of Currens Hall will also support expanding academic programs. This includes the new forensic chemistry program and a new nursing program as approved by the Western Illinois University Board of Trustees and Illinois Board of Higher Education.

#### QUANTIFICATION

Western Illinois University completed a space planning and utilization study for a new state-of-the-art science facility during Fiscal Year 2007 and completed an update in Fiscal Year 2014. The building will include both wet and dry instructional laboratories, office space, and classrooms. The facility will utilize green and sustainable technologies appropriately designed to meet academic needs and satisfy the University's goal to construct LEED Silver certified facilities. In addition, the project will include the provision for service drives, limited parking, exterior site development, and connections to Currens Hall and all required campus utility infrastructure.

#### DEPENDENT RELATIONSHIPS

Upon completion of this project, Western Illinois University will seek funds in Science Phase II for the remodel of Waggoner Hall. These actions are consistent with the newly developed Western Illinois University-Macomb campus master plan.

#### DESIRED COMPLETION DATE

Design will commence as soon as funds are received with total project completion estimated at 54 months.

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BUDGET YEAR BUILDING BUDGET ESTIMATION FORM

FISCAL YEAR 2019

CAPITAL REQUEST

PROJECT NAME WIU - Macomb Science Phase I

(IN THOUSANDS OF DOLLARS)

SPACE TYPE	NASF	MULTIPLIER FACTOR	GSF	FY2019 \$/GSF*	COST
Office	4,040	1.7	6,868	294.3	\$ 2,021.3
Classrooms	650	1.5	975	284.29	\$ 277.2
Instructional Dry Laboratories	11,000	1.64	18,040	318.48	5,745.4
Instructional Wet Laboratories	12,700	1.64	20,828	336.78	7,014.5
Special Use	2,200	1.8	3,960	284.44	1,126.4
Supporting Facilities	400	1.2	480	265.52	127.4
Currens remodel	95,000	1.61	152,950	207.44	31,727.9
1) BASE TOTAL	125,990		204,101		\$ 48,040.0
2) ADDED COSTS:					\$ 16,573.8
a) Historic Preservation Considerations: _____					
b) Green Building Design/LEED Certification Level SILVER_ (Cert., Silver, Gold, Platinum) (Please use 6% of Base Total to estimate the cost of LEED design.)					2,882.4
c) Other Energy Efficiencies: _____					
3) BASE COST					\$ 67,496.3
4) ADD ESCALATION COST					4,893.5
<b>(For monthly escalation costs, use Statewide Average: 2.2 percent per year, or .183 percent per month from base to bid date.)</b>					
Expected Bid Date: <u>May-20</u>		Escalation/month: <u>0.242%</u>			
Number of Months to Bid Date: <u>30</u>					
5) ESCALATED BUILDING BUDGET (BASE PLUS ESCALATION)					\$ 72,389.7
6) ADD 10% FOR CONTINGENCIES					7,239.0
<b>SUBTOTAL, BUILDING BUDGET</b>					\$ 79,628.7
ADDITIONAL BUDGET ADDS:					
1) A/E FEES <u>9.60%</u> *					7,644.4
ON-SITE OBSERVATION:					502.2
NUMBER OF MONTHS <u>24</u>					
DAYS PER WEEK <u>5</u>					
2) REIMBURSABLES (5% of A/E fees unless better estimate available)					407.3
3) CDB CONSTRUCTION ADMINISTRATION FEE (3%)**					2,388.9
4) OTHER ADDS (SEE 2 BELOW)					1,498.3
5) ART IN ARCHITECTURE (As Applicable) -- ONE-HALF OF ONE PERCENT					398.1
<b>SUB-TOTAL, BUDGET ADDS</b>					\$ 12,839.2
<b>TOTAL, BUILDING BUDGET</b>					\$ 92,467.9

OTHER:

PROVIDE AN ESTIMATE OF ANNUAL STATE SUPPORTED

OPERATIONS AND MAINTENANCE EXPENSE	TOTAL	\$ 1,243.4
Number of additional staff: <u>8</u>	Salaries and Related	415.1
	Utilities	388.3
	Repairs and Maintenance	440.0

PROVIDE AN EXPLANATION OF ALL DEVIATIONS FROM COST GUIDELINES

SOURCE OF COST ESTIMATE Science Building Programming Study, Ratio Architects  
 NAME OF PERSON TO CONTACT FOR FURTHER INFORMATION Troy Rhoads  
 PHONE NUMBER 309-298-1834

\* The Capital Development Board's Centralized Fee Negotiation Professional Services and Fees Handbook, (March 2009), provides guidance in developing the budget for A/E fees.

\*\* If adding CDB Construction Administration Fee, Public Act 93-0032 increased the fee from 1.5% to 3.0% effective July 1, 2003.

- Added costs include: FFE (18%), LEED (6%), Sophisticated Piping (1%) and site/utilities work (15.5%)
- Added costs include: building commissioning, testing and balancing, and technology infrastructure

PROJECT: WESTERN ILLINOIS UNIVERSITY - MACOMB SCIENCE PHASE II

PRIORITY: 2

RAMP BUDGET CATEGORY: Buildings, Additions, and/or Structures

REQUESTED FUNDING: \$ 60,000,000 (Planning, Design and Construction)

#### BACKGROUND DATA

The current College of Arts and Sciences' facilities, Currens Hall (physical sciences, 1970), Waggoner Hall (life sciences, 1968), and Tillman Hall (earth sciences, 1953) are obsolete in providing high-quality instructional laboratories. These facilities were constructed before modern laboratory standards were developed by the American Society of Heating, Refrigerating and Air-Conditioning Engineers. Western Illinois University science facilities fall below acceptable indoor air quality and energy-efficiency standards. The antiquated laboratory fume-hood systems and poor quality heating, ventilation, and air conditioning systems yield inadequate comfort and humidity control. This problem produces extremely detrimental impacts on teaching, research, and student/faculty/staff recruitment and retention.

The basic teaching and laboratory layouts of Western Illinois University's current science facilities are pedagogically obsolete and do not easily allow for the integration of new science technologies. A new facility to house science-based programs will provide the ability to integrate new laboratory technologies with the latest in science pedagogy and will foster multidisciplinary interaction through the consolidation of departments from previously diverse locations. In addition, planning studies were completed to evaluate and program future projects to renovate Currens and Waggoner Halls to allow the College of Arts and Sciences to consolidate academic programs to a single campus locale and provide for additional facility improvements/enhancements for the humanities and social sciences which are critical to the mission of the College of Arts and Sciences.

The new science building and renovation of Currens Hall will also support new academic programs. This includes the new forensic chemistry program and a new nursing program as approved by the Western Illinois University Board of Trustees and Illinois Board of Higher Education.

#### QUANTIFICATION

Western Illinois University completed a space planning and utilization study for a new state-of-the-art science facility during Fiscal Year 2007 with an update completed in Fiscal Year 2014. This project will continue the Science Facilities project by remodeling Waggoner Hall.

#### DEPENDENT RELATIONSHIPS

This project would commence upon completion of the Macomb Science Phase I.

#### DESIRED COMPLETION DATE

Design will commence as soon as funds are received with total project completion estimated at 54 months.



TABLE C104  
BUDGET YEAR BUILDING BUDGET ESTIMATION FORM

**FISCAL YEAR 2019**

CAPITAL REQUEST

PROJECT NAME WIU - Macomb Science Phase II

(IN THOUSANDS OF DOLLARS)

SPACE TYPE	NASF	MULTIPLIER FACTOR	GSF	FY2019 \$/GSF*	COST
Building Remodel	102,000	1.61	164,220	207.44	\$ 34,065.8
1) BASE TOTAL	102,000		164,220		\$ 34,065.8
2) ADDED COSTS:					\$ 8,175.8
a) Historic Preservation Considerations: _____					
b) Green Building Design/LEED Certification Level SILVER_ (Cert., Silver, Gold, Platinum) (Please use 6% of Base Total to estimate the cost of LEED design.)					2,043.9
c) Other Energy Efficiencies: _____					
3) BASE COST					\$ 44,285.5
4) ADD ESCALATION COST (For monthly escalation costs, use Statewide Average: 2.2 percent per year, or .183 percent per month from base to bid date.) Expected Bid Date: <u>May-20</u> Escalation/month: <u>0.242%</u> Number of Months to Bid Date: <u>30</u>					3,210.7
5) ESCALATED BUILDING BUDGET (BASE PLUS ESCALATION)					\$ 47,496.2
6) ADD 10% FOR CONTINGENCIES					4,749.6
<b>SUBTOTAL, BUILDING BUDGET</b>					\$ 52,245.9
ADDITIONAL BUDGET ADDS:					
1) A/E FEES <u>6.76%</u> *					3,531.8
ON-SITE OBSERVATION: NUMBER OF MONTHS <u>24</u> DAYS PER WEEK <u>5</u>					502.2
2) REIMBURSABLES (5% of A/E fees unless better estimate available)					201.7
3) CDB CONSTRUCTION ADMINISTRATION FEE (3%)**					1,567.4
4) OTHER ADDS (SEE 2 BELOW)					1,703.3
5) ART IN ARCHITECTURE (As Applicable) -- ONE-HALF OF ONE PERCENT					261.2
<b>SUB-TOTAL, BUDGET ADDS</b>					\$ 7,767.6
<b>TOTAL, BUILDING BUDGET</b>					\$ 60,013.5

OTHER:

PROVIDE AN ESTIMATE OF ANNUAL STATE SUPPORTED

OPERATIONS AND MAINTENANCE EXPENSE	TOTAL	\$	-
Number of additional staff: <u>0</u>	Salaries and Related		-
	Utilities		-
	Repairs and Maintenance		-

PROVIDE AN EXPLANATION OF ALL DEVIATIONS FROM COST GUIDELINES

NAME OF PERSON TO CONTACT FOR FURTHER INFORMATION Troy Rhoads  
PHONE NUMBER 309-298-1834

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- 1 Added costs include: FFE (18%), LEED (6%), Sophisticated Piping (1%) and Asbestos abatement (5%)
- 2 Added costs include: building commissioning, testing and balancing, and technology infrastructure (5%)

PROJECT: WESTERN ILLINOIS UNIVERSITY - MACOMB TILLMAN HALL REMODEL  
PRIORITY: 3

RAMP BUDGET CATEGORY: Major Remodeling

REQUESTED FUNDING: \$ 30,300,000 (Planning, Design and Construction)

#### BACKGROUND DATA

Tillman Hall was originally constructed in 1954 as the first science building on the campus of Western Illinois University. The needs of the University have changed significantly since the building's original construction over sixty years ago. The deferred maintenance needs of the building are also excessive as all of the systems are past expected life.

#### QUANTIFICATION

Tillman was first constructed as a science building and its use has significantly changed since 1954. The facility is outdated and does not match the latest instruction standards that are demanded at a modern university. Updated academic facilities will benefit the academic mission of the University.

The remodeled facility will utilize green and sustainable technologies appropriately designed to meet academic needs and satisfy the University's goal to construct LEED Silver certified facilities.

#### DEPENDENT RELATIONSHIPS

These actions are consistent with the Western Illinois University-Macomb campus master plan.

#### DESIRED COMPLETION DATE

Design will commence as soon as funds are received with total project completion estimated at 54 months.

TABLE C104  
BUDGET YEAR BUILDING BUDGET ESTIMATION FORM

**FISCAL YEAR 2019**  
CAPITAL REQUEST  
PROJECT NAME WIU - Macomb Tillman Remodel  
(IN THOUSANDS OF DOLLARS)

SPACE TYPE	NASF	MULTIPLIER FACTOR	GSF	FY2019 \$/GSF*	COST
Building Remodel	58,625	1.61	94,386	\$ 197.25	\$ 18,617.7
					0.0
					0.0
					0.0
					0.0
1) BASE TOTAL	58,625		94,386		\$ 18,617.7
2) ADDED COSTS:					2,234.1
a) Historic Preservation Considerations: _____					
b) Green Building Design/LEED Certification Level _____ (Cert., Silver, Gold, Platinum) (Please use 6% of Base Total to estimate the cost of LEED design.)					1,117.1
c) Other Energy Efficiencies: _____					
3) BASE COST					\$ 21,968.9
4) ADD ESCALATION COST (For monthly escalation costs, use Statewide Average: 2.2 percent per year, or .183 percent per month from base to bid date.)					\$ 1,592.7
Expected Bid Date: <u>May-20</u> Escalation/month: <u>0.242%</u> Number of Months to Bid Date: <u>30</u>					
5) ESCALATED BUILDING BUDGET (BASE PLUS ESCALATION)					\$ 23,561.6
6) ADD 10% FOR CONTINGENCIES					235.6
<b>SUBTOTAL, BUILDING BUDGET</b>					\$ 25,917.8
ADDITIONAL BUDGET ADDS:					
1) A/E FEES <u>7.56%</u> *					1,959.4
ON-SITE OBSERVATION:					502.2
NUMBER OF MONTHS <u>30</u>					
DAYS PER WEEK <u>4</u>					
2) REIMBURSABLES (5% of A/E fees unless better estimate available)					123.1
3) CDB CONSTRUCTION ADMINISTRATION FEE (3%)**					777.5
4) OTHER ADDS_see 2 below_ (ADA, Asbestos, Hazardous Materials, etc. -- please specify)					878.8
5) ART IN ARCHITECTURE (As Applicable) -- ONE-HALF OF ONE PERCENT					129.6
<b>SUB-TOTAL, BUDGET ADDS</b>					\$ 4,370.5
<b>TOTAL, BUILDING BUDGET</b>					\$ 30,288.3

OTHER:

PROVIDE AN ESTIMATE OF ANNUAL STATE SUPPORTED OPERATIONS AND MAINTENANCE EXPENSE

TOTAL	\$ 0.0
Number of additional staff: _____	Salaries and Related _____
	Utilities _____
	Repairs and Maintenance _____
	All Other _____

PROVIDE AN EXPLANATION OF ALL DEVIATIONS FROM COST GUIDELINES

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SOURCE OF COST ESTIMATE \_\_\_\_\_  
NAME OF PERSON TO CONTACT FOR FURTHER INFORMATION Troy Rhoads  
PHONE NUMBER 309-298-1834

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1 Added costs include: FFE (7%), LEED (6%), and Asbestos Abatement (5%)

2 Added costs include: building commissioning, testing and balancing, and technology infrastructure (4%)

PROJECT: WESTERN ILLINOIS UNIVERSITY - QUAD CITIES  
RIVERFRONT CAMPUS BUILDING COMPLEX THREE

PRIORITY: 4

RAMP BUDGET CATEGORY: Buildings, Additions, and/or Structures

REQUESTED FUNDING: \$39,100,000

BACKGROUND DATA

Western Illinois University-Quad Cities Riverfront Campus Phase III

Western Illinois University-Quad Cities (WIU-QC) is the only public university in a metropolitan area of over 375,000 residents. In recognizing the growth and capacity limits of WIU-QC at its current location, the State supported the first two (of three) phases for construction of the Western Illinois University-Quad Cities Riverfront Campus to achieve *Illinois Public Agenda* Goal 4 of better integrating Illinois' educational, research, and innovation assets to meet economic needs of the state and its regions.

Post-Phase II operations will generate economic impacts for the region of 330 jobs and \$13.0 million in labor income. Phase III will complete the construction of the new campus that serves as an educational and economic stimulus. In total, the Western Illinois University-Quad Cities Riverfront Campus will leverage a total of \$175.0 million in private investment and foundation support for education, entrepreneurship, technology, new jobs, and economic opportunity.

Successful redevelopment of adjacent property to the campus known as "RiverTech" will create a \$100.0 million taxable base; attract 2,000 new and existing jobs with a one-time construction impact in excess of \$150.0million. Current projects that the State of Illinois helped cultivate by developing the Western Illinois University-Quad Cities Riverfront Campus by virtue of the new campus location include:

- A \$50.0 million project by the KONE Corporation to house their North American Operation Center on the Mississippi Riverfront. This new construction completes a three-phase \$71.0 million mixed-use development known as Bass Street Landing.
- A \$45.0 million Transit Oriented Development/Amtrak Station that will include an intermodal pedestrian transport center and a new high rise office structure with retail and food service amenities.
- A \$5.0 million new facility for research and development by public and private sectors.
- A \$12.0 million, 90-unit work-live urban lofts, with retail and businesses located on the lower floors.
- A \$3.0 million new Healthcare Center for those underserved in the Hispanic community.

A fully completed Riverfront Campus is the "cornerstone" to these developments, and Western will continue to be a conservative steward of state resources. Phase III exclusively focuses on the academic mission of the University. All ancillary services such as bookstores, retail, and food service will be privately developed to support the local economy and new job creation.

QUANTIFICATION

Phase III will complete the new Western Illinois University-Quad Cities Riverfront Campus, and provide the infrastructure to support 5,000 students. Phase III is essential for academic programs and support services; lab and research space; and facilities to support technology, patent transfer, and community events.

DEPENDENT RELATIONSHIPS

There are no dependent relationships between this project and any other state-funded capital project. However, there are significant educational and economic development gains to be noted. The completed Western Illinois University-Quad Cities Riverfront Campus will have an economic impact of over \$50 million annually and will double the number of college graduates to 500 annually.

Phase III provides the necessary facilities to increase enrollment and meet *Illinois Public Agenda* Goal 1 of increasing educational attainment to match best-performing states. Without essential space, the University will not be able to increase enrollment and degree attainment. An educated community is especially important to a host county that earns 81.8 percent of the state's median family income. Moreover, spatial access is necessary to achieve *Illinois Public Agenda Goal 4* of increasing the number of high-quality post-secondary credentials to meet the demands of the economy and an increasingly global society.

#### DESIRED COMPLETION DATE

This project will be completed as soon as possible after funds have been released. A traditional planning then construction approach will take up to 54 months to complete.

BUDGET YEAR BUILDING BUDGET ESTIMATION FORM

FISCAL YEAR 2019

CAPITAL REQUEST

PROJECT NAME WIU-QC Riverfront Phase III

(IN THOUSANDS OF DOLLARS)

SPACE TYPE	NASF	MULTIPLIER FACTOR	GSF	FY2019 \$/GSF*	COST
Office	4,600.0	1.70	7,820	\$294.30	\$ 2,301.4
Classrooms	16,000.0	1.50	24,000	284.29	\$ 6,823.0
Instructional Wet Laboratories	2,800.0	1.64	4,592	336.78	\$ 1,546.5
Supporting Facilities	5,000.0	1.20	6,000	265.52	\$ 1,593.1
Research Lab (Wet)	2,800.0	1.67	4,676	446.08	\$ 2,085.9
Special Use	2,575.0	1.80	4,635	284.44	\$ 1,318.4
General Use	12,000.0	1.90	22,800	339.81	\$ 7,747.7
1) BASE TOTAL	45,775		74,523		\$ 23,415.9
2) ADDED COSTS: see 1 below					\$ 5,034.4
a) Historic Preservation Considerations: _____					
b) Green Building Design/LEED Certification Level _____ (Cert., Silver, Gold, Platinum) (Please use 6% of Base Total to estimate the cost of LEED design.)					
c) Other Energy Efficiencies: _____					
3) BASE COST					\$ 28,450.3
4) ADD ESCALATION COST					\$ 2,062.6
(For monthly escalation costs, use Statewide Average: 2.2 percent per year, or .183 percent per month from base to bid date.)					
Expected Bid Date: <u>May-20</u> Escalation/month: <u>0.242%</u>					
Number of Months to Bid Date: <u>30</u>					
5) ESCALATED BUILDING BUDGET (BASE PLUS ESCALATION)					\$ 30,513.0
6) ADD 10% FOR CONTINGENCIES					3,051.3
<b>SUBTOTAL, BUILDING BUDGET</b>					\$ 33,564.3
ADDITIONAL BUDGET ADDS:					
1) A/E FEES <u>7.5</u> *					2,517.3
ON-SITE OBSERVATION:					320.9
NUMBER OF MONTHS <u>15</u>					
DAYS PER WEEK <u>5</u>					
2) REIMBURSABLES (5% of A/E fees unless better estimate available)					141.9
3) CDB CONSTRUCTION ADMINISTRATION FEE (3%)**					1,006.9
4) OTHER ADDS see 2 below (ADA, Asbestos, Hazardous Materials, etc. -- please specify)					1,361.8
5) ART IN ARCHITECTURE (As Applicable) -- ONE-HALF OF ONE PERCENT					167.8
<b>SUB-TOTAL, BUDGET ADDS</b>					\$ 5,516.7
<b>TOTAL, BUILDING BUDGET</b>					\$ 39,081.0

PROVIDE AN ESTIMATE OF ANNUAL STATE SUPPORTED

OPERATIONS AND MAINTENANCE EXPENSE	TOTAL	\$ 409.3
Number of additional staff: <u>3</u>	Salaries and Related	143.3
	Utilities	170.0
	Repairs and Maintenance	96.0
	All Other	

PROVIDE AN EXPLANATION OF ALL DEVIATIONS FROM COST GUIDELINES

SOURCE OF COST ESTIMATE	<u>WIU Riverfront Campus</u>
NAME OF PERSON TO CONTACT FOR FURTHER INFORMATION	<u>William Brewer</u>
PHONE NUMBER	<u>309-762-9481</u>

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- Added costs include: FFE (7%), LEED (6%), site work (3.5%) and Data Center (5%)
- Added costs include: building commissioning, testing and balancing, technology infrastructure

PROJECT: WESTERN ILLINOIS UNIVERSITY - MACOMB EDUCATION BUILDING

PRIORITY: 5

RAMP BUDGET CATEGORY: Buildings, Additions, and/or Structures

REQUESTED FUNDING: \$ 84,800,000 (Planning, Design and Construction)

#### BACKGROUND DATA

Horrabin Hall was constructed in 1965 as a laboratory school housing K-12 grade. Horrabin has not had any major renovations or retrofits in 50 years. The College of Education and Human Services is housed in the 150,000 square feet of classrooms and offices in Horrabin.

#### QUANTIFICATION

In the Macomb Master Plan update, the Master Plan Steering committee identified eight renovation criteria that were used to prioritize building renovation projects. Horrabin Hall was identified as a high priority for renovation due to high critical deferred maintenance, containing University signature programs and facilities not matching the current needs of the College. Updated academic facilities will benefit the academic mission of the College and the University.

The proposed building would be constructed on the existing site of Horrabin Hall with design features to promote the latest in teaching styles, electronic classrooms and student/faculty interaction.

The new facility will utilize green and sustainable technologies appropriately designed to meet academic needs and satisfy the University's goal to construct LEED Silver certified facilities.

#### DEPENDENT RELATIONSHIPS

This project would construct the new Education building on the current site of Horrabin Hall.

#### DESIRED COMPLETION DATE

Design will commence as soon as funds are received with total project completion estimated at 54 months.

TABLE C104  
BUDGET YEAR BUILDING BUDGET ESTIMATION FORM

FISCAL YEAR 2019  
CAPITAL REQUEST  
PROJECT NAME WIU-Education Building

(IN THOUSANDS OF DOLLARS)

SPACE TYPE	NASF	MULTIPLIER FACTOR	GSF	FY2019 \$/GSF*	COST
Building	100,000	1.63	163,000	290.27	\$ 47,314.0
1) BASE TOTAL	100,000		163,000		\$ 47,314.0
2) ADDED COSTS:					\$ 12,774.8
a) Historic Preservation Considerations: _____					
b) Green Building Design/LEED Certification Level SILVER_ (Cert., Silver, Gold, Platinum) (Please use 6% of Base Total to estimate the cost of LEED design.)					2,838.8
c) Other Energy Efficiencies: _____					
3) BASE COST					\$ 62,927.6
4) ADD ESCALATION COST (For monthly escalation costs, use Statewide Average: 2.2 percent per year, or .183 percent per month from base to bid date.) Expected Bid Date: <u>May-20</u> Escalation/month: <u>0.242%</u> Number of Months to Bid Date: <u>30</u>					4,562.3
5) ESCALATED BUILDING BUDGET (BASE PLUS ESCALATION)					\$ 67,489.9
6) ADD 10% FOR CONTINGENCIES					6,749.0
<b>SUBTOTAL, BUILDING BUDGET</b>					\$ 74,238.9
ADDITIONAL BUDGET ADDS:					
1) A/E FEES <u>6.34%</u> *					4,706.7
ON-SITE OBSERVATION:					502.2
NUMBER OF MONTHS <u>24</u>					
DAYS PER WEEK <u>5</u>					
2) REIMBURSABLES (5% of A/E fees unless better estimate available)					260.4
3) CDB CONSTRUCTION ADMINISTRATION FEE (3%)**					2,227.2
4) OTHER ADDS (SEE 2 BELOW)					2,517.1
5) ART IN ARCHITECTURE (As Applicable) -- ONE-HALF OF ONE PERCENT					371.2
<b>SUB-TOTAL, BUDGET ADDS</b>					\$ 10,584.9
<b>TOTAL, BUILDING BUDGET</b>					\$ 84,823.7

OTHER:

PROVIDE AN ESTIMATE OF ANNUAL STATE SUPPORTED OPERATIONS AND MAINTENANCE EXPENSE	TOTAL	\$ -
Number of additional staff: <u>0</u>	Salaries and Related	-
	Utilities	-
	Repairs and Maintenance	-

PROVIDE AN EXPLANATION OF ALL DEVIATIONS FROM COST GUIDELINES

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SOURCE OF COST ESTIMATE \_\_\_\_\_  
NAME OF PERSON TO CONTACT FOR FURTHER INFORMATION Troy Rhoads  
PHONE NUMBER 309-298-1834

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1 Added costs include: FFE (7%), LEED (6%), site work/building demo (15%) and Abestos Abatement (5%)  
2 Added costs include: building commissioning, testing and balancing, and technology infrastructure (4%)



PROJECT: WESTERN ILLINOIS UNIVERSITY - MACOMB STIPES BUILDING REMODEL  
PRIORITY: 6

RAMP BUDGET CATEGORY: Major Remodeling

REQUESTED FUNDING: \$ 50,900,000 (Planning, Design and Construction)

#### BACKGROUND DATA

Stipes Hall was constructed in 1968. Stipes Hall has not had any renovations or major remodeling since its opening over 45 years ago. The University, through its recent Macomb Campus Master Plan update and Strategic Building Renovation matrix, has identified Stipes as a high priority for renovation. Stipes Hall has over 140,000 square feet of classroom and office space and houses the College of Business and Technology.

#### QUANTIFICATION

In the Macomb Master Plan update, the Master Plan Steering committee identified eight renovation criteria that were used to prioritize building renovation projects. Stipes Hall is a high profile building on campus, has high critical deferred maintenance and houses University Signature programs. Updated academic facilities will benefit the academic mission of the University.

The remodeled facility will utilize green and sustainable technologies appropriately designed to meet academic needs and satisfy the University's goal to construct LEED Silver certified facilities.

#### DEPENDENT RELATIONSHIPS

These actions are consistent with the newly developed Western Illinois University-Macomb campus master plan.

#### DESIRED COMPLETION DATE

Design will commence as soon as funds are received with total project completion estimated at 54 months.

TABLE C104  
BUDGET YEAR BUILDING BUDGET ESTIMATION FORM

FISCAL YEAR 2019  
CAPITAL REQUEST  
PROJECT NAME           WIU-Stipes Remodel          

(IN THOUSANDS OF DOLLARS)

SPACE TYPE	NASF	MULTIPLIER FACTOR	GSF	FY2019 \$/GSF*	COST
Building	100,000	1.66	166,000	190.2	\$ 31,573.2
1) BASE TOTAL	100,000		166,000		\$ 31,573.2
2) ADDED COSTS:					\$ 3,788.8
a) Historic Preservation Considerations: _____.					
b) Green Building Design/LEED Certification Level SILVER_ (Cert., Silver, Gold, Platinum) (Please use 6% of Base Total to estimate the cost of LEED design.)					1,894.4
c) Other Energy Efficiencies: _____.					
3) BASE COST					\$ 37,256.4
4) ADD ESCALATION COST					2,701.1
(For monthly escalation costs, use Statewide Average: 2.2 percent per year, or .183 percent per month from base to bid date.)					
Expected Bid Date: <u>          May-20          </u> Escalation/month: <u>          0.242%          </u>					
Number of Months to Bid Date: <u>          30          </u>					
5) ESCALATED BUILDING BUDGET (BASE PLUS ESCALATION)					\$ 39,957.5
6) ADD 10% FOR CONTINGENCIES					3,995.7
<b>SUBTOTAL, BUILDING BUDGET</b>					<b>\$ 43,953.2</b>
ADDITIONAL BUDGET ADDS:					
1) A/E FEES <u>          7.26%          </u> *					3,191.0
ON-SITE OBSERVATION:					502.2
NUMBER OF MONTHS <u>          24          </u>					
DAYS PER WEEK <u>          5          </u>					
2) REIMBURSABLES (5% of A/E fees unless better estimate available)					184.7
3) CDB CONSTRUCTION ADMINISTRATION FEE (3%)**					1,318.6
4) OTHER ADDS (SEE 2 BELOW)					1,490.3
5) ART IN ARCHITECTURE (As Applicable) -- ONE-HALF OF ONE PERCENT					219.8
<b>SUB-TOTAL, BUDGET ADDS</b>					<b>\$ 6,906.5</b>
<b>TOTAL, BUILDING BUDGET</b>					<b>\$ 50,859.7</b>

OTHER:

PROVIDE AN ESTIMATE OF ANNUAL STATE SUPPORTED OPERATIONS AND MAINTENANCE EXPENSE			
Number of additional staff: <u>          0          </u>	TOTAL	Salaries and Related	\$ <u>          -          </u>
	Utilities		<u>          -          </u>
	Repairs and Maintenance		<u>          -          </u>

PROVIDE AN EXPLANATION OF ALL DEVIATIONS FROM COST GUIDELINES  
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SOURCE OF COST ESTIMATE

NAME OF PERSON TO CONTACT FOR FURTHER INFORMATION           Troy Rhoads            
PHONE NUMBER           309-298-1834          

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1 Added costs include: FFE (7%), LEED (6%) and Asbestos Abatement (5%)

2 Added costs include: building commissioning, testing and balancing, and technology infrastructure (4%)

PROJECT: WESTERN ILLINOIS UNIVERSITY – MACOMB  
CAPITAL RENEWAL

RAMP BUDGET CATEGORY: Remodeling and Rehabilitation

REQUESTED FUNDING: \$15,600,000

BACKGROUND DATA

*Higher Values in Higher Education*, Western Illinois University’s Strategic Plan, states:

“Provide safe, accessible, responsible campus environments that meet the needs of University constituencies and reflect the core values of the University.”

Providing a safe, accessible, and responsive campus environment conducive to learning is directly linked to responsive upkeep and repair of facilities. In addition to operating funds, Capital Renewal funds are used to address deferred maintenance needs on campuses. Since Fiscal Year 2004 Western Illinois University has only received \$3.6 million to address critical campus-wide elevator maintenance, utility infrastructure repairs, and numerous other needs on campus. The University currently estimates a total deferred maintenance and capital renewal backlog of over \$500 million. As is the case on all campuses in Illinois, there are many projects that have been critically needed for a substantial period of time and are negatively impacting the learning environment.

QUANTIFICATION

The University is making a strong commitment toward improving the campus physical environment. A reduction in the deferred maintenance liability is viewed as integral to achieving that objective. An increase in the Permanent Improvement budget will allow the University to address the increasing backlog of deferred maintenance projects.

Funds will be utilized for classroom modernization; improving HVAC and building energy management controls; enhancing electrical and plumbing distribution systems; and renovating campus sidewalks, drives, and exterior stairs.

DEPENDENT RELATIONSHIPS

There are no other projects that this proposal is dependent.

DESIRED COMPLETION DATE

Design would commence as soon as funds are received.

Resolution 17.9/5 approved with amendments, see page 34.

**Resolution No. 17.9/6: Removal of East Village from the Auxiliary Facilities System (AFS)**

Vice President Williams presented the resolution as submitted.

A motion was made by Trustee Ehlert Fuller to approve. Trustee Cole seconded the motion.

Roll Call

Trustee Roger Clawson	Yes
Trustee Lyneir Cole	Yes
Trustee Cathy Early	Yes
Trustee Ehlert Fuller	Yes
Trustee William Gradle	Yes
Trustee Todd Lester	Yes
Trustee Steven Nelson	Yes

Trustee Yvonne Savala            Yes

Motion carried.

**Resolution:**

**WHEREAS** the building located at 511 West Pierce Street was constructed in 1966 and unoccupied since 2015; and,

**WHEREAS** in accordance with the Western Illinois University Master Facilities Plan, the Board of Trustees has approved the demolition of this facility, having found that it is no longer suitable for the use for which it was initially acquired; and,

**WHEREAS** the Auxiliary Facilities System has financed the cost of demolition of this facility with operating funds:

**THEREFORE** be it resolved that the Board of Trustees of Western Illinois University in regular meeting assembled, that:

- (1) In accordance with Section 14(b) of the Auxiliary Facilities System Revenue Bond Resolution adopted by the predecessor of the Board on December 5, 1985, as supplemented and amended, the Board has previously determined that the facility at 511 West Pierce Street (formerly East Village) was no longer suitable for the use for which it was initially acquired and acknowledges that the facility has now been demolished and therefore hereby orders that it be removed from the Auxiliary Facilities System.
- (2) The President of Western Illinois University is hereby authorized to take whatever action may be required in execution of this resolution in accordance with established policies and procedures.
- (3) The Secretary of the Board is directed to file a copy of this resolution with the Treasurer of the Board in accordance with Section 14(b) of the Auxiliary Facilities System Revenue Bond Resolution.

**Resolution No. 17.9/7: Removal of Higgins Hall from the Auxiliary Facilities System (AFS)**

Vice President Williams presented the resolution as submitted.

A motion was made by Trustee Cole to approve. Trustee Ehlert Fuller seconded the motion.

**Roll Call**

Trustee Roger Clawson	Yes
Trustee Lyneir Cole	Yes
Trustee Cathy Early	Yes
Trustee Ehlert Fuller	Yes
Trustee William Gradle	Yes
Trustee Todd Lester	Yes
Trustee Steven Nelson	Yes
Trustee Yvonne Savala	Yes

Motion carried.

**Resolution:**

**WHEREAS** the building located at 310 West University Drive was constructed in 1967 and unoccupied since 2013; and,

**WHEREAS** in accordance with the Western Illinois University Master Facilities Plan, the Board of Trustees has approved the demolition of this facility, having found that it is no longer suitable for the use for which it was initially acquired; and,

**WHEREAS** the Auxiliary Facilities System is financing the cost of demolition of this facility with operating funds:

**THEREFORE** be it resolved that the Board of Trustees of Western Illinois University in regular meeting assembled, that:

- (1) In accordance with Section 14(b) of the Auxiliary Facilities System Revenue Bond Resolution adopted by the predecessor of the Board on December 5, 1985, as supplemented and amended, the Board has previously determined that the facility at 310 West University Drive (formerly Higgins Hall) was no longer suitable for the use for which it was initially acquired and acknowledges that the facility is now in the process of being demolished and therefore hereby orders that it be removed from the Auxiliary Facilities System.
- (2) The President of Western Illinois University is hereby authorized to take whatever action may be required in execution of this resolution in accordance with established policies and procedures.
- (3) The Secretary of the Board is directed to file a copy of this resolution with the Treasurer of the Board in accordance with Section 14(b) of the Auxiliary Facilities System Revenue Bond Resolution.

**ACADEMIC AND STUDENT SERVICES COMMITTEE**

**Report No. 17.9/3: Annual Report on Athletics**

Director of Athletics Matt Tanney presented the resolution as submitted, and highlighted the welcoming of three new members of the Hall of Fame class, which will take place tonight. They are Zane Teilane (Women's Basketball), Mike Scifres (Football), and Aubrey Martin (Women's Track & Field).

Trustee Lester asked how many student athletes are at WIU right now. Tanney responded that rosters fluctuate almost daily, but approximately 375 and sometimes that number gets closer to 400.

Trustee Gradle asked for a financial report to accompany future athletic reports to the Board.

Trustee Savala commented on her visit with Tanney during her recent Trustee in Residence visit to campus.

President Thomas thanked both Trustee Savala and Trustee Nelson for their time spent visiting campus as Trustees in Residence.

Trustee Gradle congratulated Tanney on the athletic program's recent successes and noted the increased student pride.

Trustee Lester asked Tanney, as part of the financial supplemental report to be provided in the future as requested by Trustee Nelson, to also report on the number of student athletes that are paying some, if not all, of their way to participate in that sport and be on campus.

President Thomas thanked Tanney for his leadership in spite of the numerous personnel changes.

**Report No. 17.9/4: Office of Sponsored Projects Annual Report**

VP Neumann presented the report as submitted. Director of Sponsored Projects Shannon Sutton commented on the report submitted and highlighted facts about the Kibbe Life Science Research Station.

**PRESIDENTIAL EVALUATION AND ASSESSMENT COMMITTEE**

Trustee Savala stated there was nothing to add.

**GENERAL DISCUSSION and ACTION ITEMS**

**Report No. 17.9/5: The Statewide Budget Context and Western Illinois University's Mission-Driven Planning and Results, Fiscal Year 2017 Update**

Vice President Joe Rives presented a PowerPoint report, the content of which can be located in supplemental materials to these minutes. VP Rives outlined a three goal, twenty-three action plan of the President's Leadership Team.

Several Trustees commented and asked questions following the presentation.

**Report No. 17.9/6: President's Executive Institute Quarterly Update**

Vice President Joe Rives presented a PowerPoint report, the content of which can be located online at <http://www.wiu.edu/PEI>

Trustee Savala mentioned her time spent with Susie Nichols while a Trustee in Residence discussing and learning more about the Illinois Law Enforcement Executive Institute.

President Thomas commented on the importance of gaining the community support in terms of the financial support and increased student engagement opportunities.

**Report No. 17.9/7: Quarterly Planning Update**

Vice President Joe Rives presented a calendar-based report.

**Report No. 17.9/8: FY 2018 Strategic Plan Update**

Vice President Joe Rives presented an update to the strategic plan, which may be found online at [www.wiu.edu/university\\_planning](http://www.wiu.edu/university_planning)

Several Trustees commented and asked questions following the presentation.

Trustee Early thanked VP Rives for all of the work done on all of these reports and the periodic updates to the board that are periodically provided.

**Resolution No. 17.9/8: Release of Closed Session Meeting Minutes**

A motion was made by Trustee Cole to approve. Trustee Lester seconded the motion.

Roll Call

Trustee Roger Clawson	Yes
Trustee Lyneir Cole	Yes
Trustee Cathy Early	Yes
Trustee Ehlert Fuller	Yes
Trustee William Gradle	Yes
Trustee Todd Lester	Yes
Trustee Steven Nelson	Yes
Trustee Yvonne Savala	Yes

Motion carried.

**Resolution:**

**WHEREAS** the Board of Trustees of Western Illinois University must comply with the Illinois Open Meetings Act;

**WHEREAS** pursuant to Section 2.06(c) of the Open Meetings Act, the Board of Trustees of Western Illinois University may eliminate the verbatim records of April 20, 2016, and June 9, 2016;

**WHEREAS** pursuant to Section 2.06(d) of the Open Meetings Act, the Board of Trustees of Western Illinois University has reviewed the minutes of the closed session minutes of December 17, 2015; January 25, 2016; March 10, 2016; April 20, 2016; June 9, 2016; July 14, 2016; October 6, 2016; December 15, 2016; March 30, 2017; June 8, 2017; and July 13, 2017, to determine whether the need for confidentiality still exists with respect to all or part of the minutes; and

**THEREFORE** be it resolved the Board of Trustees of Western Illinois University approves the elimination of the verbatim records of April 20, 2016, and June 9, 2016, and has determined that the need for confidentiality of the minutes listed above still exists. The Board will review the minutes listed above again at the December 15, 2017, Board Meeting to make a determination regarding release.

**OLD BUSINESS**

There was no old business.

**NEW BUSINESS**

The pending sale of the 60th Street property was addressed by Trustee Early, resulting in the need for a special board meeting, which has been scheduled for Sunday. VP Bierman outlined the need for board approval for said sale, and indicated Jeanette Malafa’s involvement in working with Rep. Norine Hammond for Bill approval that allows WIU to keep the proceeds, whereas normally the state would receive the proceeds. Because of the situation with the fire, the School Districts will begin moving desks tomorrow and plan to start classes on Monday.

Several Trustees and VP Rives discussed and commented on WIU’s role in this endeavor and the resulting marketing impact this action will have in the Quad Cities.

**NEXT MEETING**

Trustee Early recapped that there would be a special meeting of the Board to be held on Sunday, October 1, 2017, at 8:00 a.m. in the President’s Conference Room, Sherman Hall 205.

The next Board meeting will be held December 14 and 15th, 2017 on the WIU-Macomb Campus, which is graduation weekend.

Trustee Savala congratulated Trustee Nelson on his being named a new Alumni Hall of Fame Inductee to Black Hawk College.

Chair Early called for a motion to adjourn the meeting of the Board at 11:53 a.m. Trustee Cole so moved, seconded by Trustee Early. All were in favor and none opposed.

Cathy Early, Chair  
Kerry McBride, Business Administrative Associate to the Board

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