Minutes of the Meeting of the Board of Trustees Western Illinois University

March 10, 2006

The meeting of the Board of Trustees of Western Illinois University convened at 11:19 A.M. in the Capitol Rooms, University Union, on the campus of Western Illinois University – Macomb. Trustee J. Michael Houston, Chair, presided.

The following trustees were present to answer roll call:
Trustee Robert J. Cook
Trustee Carolyn J. Ehlert
Trustee William L. Epperly
Trustee Donald W. "Bill" Griffin
Trustee J. Michael Houston
Trustee Steven L. Nelson
Trustee Christopher M. Thomas

Absent: Trustee George J. Guzzardo

Trustee Houston moved to convene the Board to Executive Session to consider personnel, legal, collective bargaining and other such issues as are covered by Section 2.c. of the Open Meetings Act with plans to reconvene in open session at approximately 12:30 P.M. Trustee Epperly seconded the motion.

Roll Call

Trustee Cook	Yes
Trustee Ehlert	Yes
Trustee Epperly	Yes
Trustee Guzzardo	Absent
Trustee Griffin	Yes
Trustee Houston	Yes
Trustee Nelson	Yes
Trustee Thomas	Yes

Motion carried. The Board convened to Executive Session at 11:20 A.M.

Following Executive Session the Board reconvened in open session at 1:15 P.M.

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Also present for the open meeting of the Board of Trustees:
President Alvin Goldfarb
Legal Counsel Bruce J. Biagini
Board Treasurer and Vice President for Administrative Services Jacqueline K. Thompson
Administrative Assistant to the Board Kerry L. Yadgar
Provost and Academic Vice President Joseph C. Rallo
Vice President for Student Services W. Garry Johnson
Vice President for Advancement and Public Services Daniel L. Hendricks

Advisory Group Representatives present:
Student Government Association President Bridget Early
Faculty Senate Chair Steven Rock
Council of Administrative Personnel Vice President Amy Spelman
Civil Service Employees Council President Krista Skien

REVIEW AND APPROVAL OF NOVEMBER 4, 2005, BOARD MEETING MINUTES

The minutes of the November 4, 2005, Board of Trustees meeting were approved via unanimous roll call vote of the Board.

REVIEW AND APPROVAL OF JANUARY 26, 2006, BOARD MEETING MINUTES

The minutes of the January 26, 2006, Board of Trustees meeting were approved via unanimous roll call vote of the Board.

CHAIRPERSON'S REMARKS

As chair I would like to make a few remarks at today's meeting of the Western Illinois University Board of Trustees.

Since we met last November on campus there have been positive announcements from the state in the release of capital planning funds for our Performing Arts Center in Macomb and the Riverfront Campus Expansion in the Quad Cities.

CHAIRPERSON'S REMARKS (CONTINUED)

I would like to thank the community leaders who devoted numerous hours to support these projects and take the message to state officials who recognized the economic, educational and cultural benefit these two projects bring to both the university and the region.

This Board will formally express its appreciation today for departing trustee Lorraine Epperson who was an original member of the Board, a former chair and a trustee of the predecessor Board of Governors. Lorraine was with us last night as we had dinner and we had the opportunity at that time to thank her personally for her service.

We now have a full complement of trustees on the Board as we welcome three new members today, Robert Cook, Bill Griffin and Steve Nelson. While we did wait a long time for these appointments, I would like to compliment the Governor on the appointments he has made. We have three individuals who bring a track record as being supporters of the University. They have shown a long-term commitment to WIU and this bodes well for the future. The Board is transitional; we will always have new trustees coming on and trustees who are leaving. Most importantly is the quality and commitment of those individuals who are appointed to the Board. We have three outstanding individuals and we are looking forward to working with you to move the University to another level and improving the quality of a really great institution. They bring a wealth of experience to a University they have been associated with for many years. I look forward to their active participation.

As trustees we face many challenging issues and one of those we will be discussing today and that is that Western remains an affordable institution to receive an education. On today's agenda we will review tuition, fees, room and board rates within the structure of Western's outstanding cost guarantee program.

While higher education budget issues will always be a struggle as the state struggles with its balance of cost for programs and services vs. revenue, we are encouraged by the recent actions which have released planning funds for long awaited projects and support for additional state budget allocations to Western's operational needs. We are encouraged to see some new dollars. It is always a delicate situation in the state to take all the services the state provides and balance them against the revenue.

As always we will wait until the end of the legislative session for final outcomes.

We will move forward with trustee reports from this morning's committee sessions.

FINANCE COMMITTEE REPORT

Trustee Carolyn Ehlert reported that during the Finance Committee meeting they reviewed and approved the money for three different campus improvements, including the sprinkler project in Bayliss/Henninger Halls, the construction of the Document and Publication Services/Property Control Center and contracting for the architectural design for the renovation of the Hanson Field football stadium. We also reviewed Purchases of $100,000-$500,000 already approved by President Goldfarb. The Committee reviewed the FY2007 Appropriated Operating & Capital Budget, the Budget and Financial Data for Period Ended December 31, 2005, and received a more extensive review and briefing on Investment Activities. We also looked at the current data on Income Producing Grants and Contracts and received a report from Vice President Hendricks on contributions. During the general comments we heard an update on the various searches in the Foundation area and a progress report in terms of planning for the upcoming capital campaign.

ACADEMIC AND STUDENT SERVICES COMMITTEE REPORT

Trustee Bill Griffin reported on activities in the Academic and Student Services Committee. He thanked everyone who made presentations during the morning committee meeting. Members agreed on the FY2007 Tuition Recommendation. We reviewed and approved FY2007 Fees and Room and Board/Housing Rates. Members also voted to approve a new B.S. Degree in Emergency Management. Reports also were presented on the Financial Aid Programs and on Underrepresented Groups.

PRESIDENT'S REPORT

On behalf of the entire University community, the administrative team, faculty, staff and students, I want to add my welcome to our new trustees. We look forward to working with you and are appreciative of the service you are willing to provide to the University.

It was four years ago at the March meeting that it was announced that I had been chosen to be President of Western Illinois University. It is hard to believe that four years have gone by so quickly. That realization made me reassess what it is that we have tried to get done over the past four years. I realize how much we have done over the time with the help of the University, Macomb community, everyone here at WIU, the Board members and members of the constituent groups. We have made some very significant progress.

You heard about all the facility projects that we will be working on. The Quad Cities campus is becoming a reality thanks to the donation by John Deere and now the release of funds from the Governor's Office. Our Performing Arts Center is coming and the release of the Memorial Hall monies has allowed us to move forward with that rehabilitation and renovation. We have talked and made plans for a new Multicultural Center and met with architects this week in terms of getting that planning in place. We are beginning the plans for the student side of the football facility, are currently working on a baseball stadium and we know that we will be adding to the Spencer Student Recreation Center. We are making progress with the sprinkler project and Jackie will never let us forget about the metal building she is so excited about.

This is a very exciting time at Western. It has occurred because of the work that has been done by folks all across campus.

We will continue to work very diligently on salaries. I am pleased with the fact that all of the vice presidents have been willing to make hard fiscal decisions so that there are funds freed up to do a salary increase. While salaries are never what we would like them to be, they are better than what they have been across the state and at other institutions. We are also in the process of a salary equity adjustment for our Civil Service and Administrative Professional employees. That can only occur because the vice presidents and all constituent groups were willing to work on these issues as well.

We approved a new program in terms of academics this morning. I want to thank the Provost and all the college deans and faculty who have done some very remarkable things in terms of the academic side of the institution. This year we instituted the First Year Experience which had over 120 small sections for 20 or fewer students. This past fall our theme series has been integrated into campus-wide conversations and we have our new Doctoral program. Our Entrepreneurial Center has become a regional center working with Galesburg, Quincy and now with the Quad Cities as well. We are working in our Scholarship Office through Advancement and Public Services and the WIU Foundation to put in place the trustee scholarships—four-year, full-ride scholarships for forty students.

PRESIDENT'S REPORT (CONTINUED)

We have also had some exciting new research centers established in academic affairs with the Survey Center and the Center for Environmental Studies. That has occurred because the campus has been willing to embrace change even though change is sometimes very difficult, and especially difficult in hard fiscal times.

We have a new student orientation program thanks to the work in student services and their willingness to partner very closely with academic affairs. Our self funded insurance program is working remarkably well and is an amazing accomplishment in these difficult times.

I am pleased we have been able to begin a new campaign. That has occurred because everyone has been willing to reallocate funds to hire new development officers. The campaign will have a significant impact on the campus and most importantly on the students as we try to fundraise for additional scholarships and endowed positions for faculty.

I am also pleased with the community work that the campus has conducted in terms of community outreach. The new Pella factory is seen as a partnership between the University and community in terms of being able to attract that factory to locate here in Macomb. The work with Renew Moline is important. We believe the new campus will be the economic spur for what occurs next door to the campus. The Community University Partnership Program (CUPP) is in place and Bridget will tell you that sometimes the conversations are a little heated but they are honest. I am excited about the interaction that is taking place between the students and the community at the same table.

As I look back on the four years, it is clear we have made many strides. We have lots more things to work on. We want to get those new buildings built. We have a good deal of work yet to be done and I look forward to working with the campus community over the next year to get those things underway.

I particularly want to thank the Board of Trustees for all of their support.

In response to a question about the baseball stadium construction, it was noted that the stadium would be ready for play on opening day with a dedication ceremony scheduled for April 15.

Board Chair Mike Houston stated that it is hard to believe that four years has passed since Dr. Goldfarb was hired. When the Board hired him, they had great expectations and he has exceeded every one of them. He has moved this University forward. He has provided leadership and vision with the support of the entire University community here and in the Quad Cities. He has also assembled a great team. The Board thanks you for all you have done over the last four years.

LEGISLATIVE UPDATE

David Steelman, Assistant to the President for Governmental Relations, welcomed the new trustees. In terms of the spring legislative session, Dr. Goldfarb has been spending a great deal of time in Springfield lately along with others from both the Macomb and Quad Cities communities. It is extremely important for the legislators to see that kind of support from the President and from community members. Western's visibility and higher education's visibility in general is getting better in Springfield.

Regarding our cost guarantee, I can assure you that the legislature is aware of what Western is doing and that the program is "first and best." The problem that we are facing is, and Chair Houston is intimately

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familiar with this, the legislature is not inclined to give rewards for innovation. For a long time my motto has been, "Less praise; More cash." That is just not the way they work in Springfield.

With a shortened schedule for the spring session, things have moved very quickly. There is a lot of activity focused on campaigns and elections. As a result, the legislature tries to avoid controversial items.

There are a number of items of interest to Western and to higher education. In terms of operations funding, I think most of the work is already done with the state's budget, including higher education's budget. The combination with what they did with pensions last year and the fact that they do have a shortened schedule indicates to me that they are not going to do a lot of tinkering with GRF funding.

Capital funding is a different story. In terms of capital funding, we certainly have some encouraging news on recommendations. As Joe pointed out, the PAC first phase construction is ranked at number eleven on IBHE's priority list. That is a high number. The Quad Cities Riverfront first phase construction is the top ranked Opportunity Returns project. However, at this time no agreement has been reached on capital funding, or whether a bond authorization bill will be supported. It is clearly going to be a hotly contested item—more so than operations funding.

Most of the scenarios we have heard to this point indicate that the capital budget has not included higher education capital funding. That is changing every day. We hear rumblings about add on amendments that include higher education. I suspect there will be some political dangling of projects—it is just too soon to tell what is going to happen with capital funding.

We remain optimistic and hopeful in light of our project ranks. Even if no project funding passes this year, those rankings will remain in place so if the General Assembly does decide to do capital this year we will still be in a good position on those projects.

Early in the session this year a bill was introduced which would have given Harper Community College the ability to offer baccalaureate degrees on a limited basis. That bill has been the subject of a fair amount of controversy and widely opposed. Besides the public universities, the opponents include the Illinois Board of Higher Education, the Illinois Community College Board, and even some members of the Harper Community College Board. There is disagreement between Northern Illinois University and Harper regarding what NIU might be able to offer Harper in terms of the baccalaureate programs and it seems clear that the Harper president is very anxious to obtain baccalaureate degree granting authority. Our efforts have kept that legislation from moving. Instead we are supporting an alternative measure which would provide for IBHE to set up a grant program that would allow community colleges and universities working in concert to look at baccalaureate degree completion. If the legislation does pass there are various administrative rules that have to be set up through IBHE. Essentially it amounts to both the university and the community colleges making financial contributions toward the program and the degree being awarded from the senior institution.

In response to a question from Trustee Cook about where upper division classes would be held, Dave noted that those details had not been worked out. NIU faculty could physically present upper division courses on Harper's campus, for instance. There are two bills before the legislature right now. The bill that allows Harper to grant the baccalaureate degrees is no longer moving. The bill that would provide for the grant program is moving. That is the one IBHE and we support.

LEGISLATIVE UPDATE (CONTINUED)

Several weeks ago universities began conversations with the Governor's Budget Office regarding increases in funding for higher education. Two of the key components in the Governor's budget were the tuition tax credit and the sale of the ISAC loan portfolio. I'm sure most of you have seen these both in the media. The tax credit would provide up to $1,000 in credits for freshman and sophomore students at public or private colleges who maintain at least a "B" average. The cost of that program is estimated around $90 million. The ISAC sale would involve all or some of the ISAC loan portfolio in the secondary market using the proceeds from the sale for higher education funding. There has been some resistance to this action with legislation introduced to prohibit that sale. So far that legislation has not moved forward. However, the sale is not a move that requires legislation. It is simply a matter of the ISAC Board making the determination that they are selling the portfolio.

You may remember the SURS income limitations which capped the limit of end-of-year raises to 6 percent with the employer assuming any additional pension costs. We have been working on a number of exemptions to that cap in areas of importance to the universities—promotions, vacation payouts, summer school appointments, etc. We are hopeful that those exemptions will be included in the legislation that is currently moving through.

We have not seen much activity in terms of textbook legislation. The Lt. Governor had an early proposal that addressed "bundling" issues. That is, the issue of adding items to textbook purchases that may or may not be necessary for the students. That legislation has ground to a halt. That also is true with the fire sprinkler legislation. A bill requiring sprinklers by 2013 even without the state's loan fund and providing for student fees to go into the sprinkler fund is not moving and we are grateful for that.

We are watching a bill that deals with renewable fuels which could provide some benefits to the Illinois Institute for Rural Affairs ethanol research. Another bill deals with emergency workers. A situation has come up where students have gone to hurricane relief, for instance, come back to school and discovered that they are in trouble with classes because they had a professor that was not understanding of the class time missed. This legislation would require the universities to have a policy in place to address that kind of activity.

We had an extremely good turn out for both Macomb and Quad City lobby days. The House Appropriation Committee hearings were impressive with the Mayor and other individuals from Moline sitting next to Al.

We have another lobby day coming up—the Student Government Association is having a student lobby day on March 22. We certainly appreciate their efforts. Bridget and Blake have put a lot of time into organizing this and we want to thank them for their work.

Dave introduced his student government relations intern, Terri Misfeldt. She will be working with folks on campus at times I am unable to be here.

Dave responded to a question from Trustee Cook concerning the sprinkler legislation. He noted that when the legislation was first passed, the intent was that the state would set up a revolving loan fund and would fund it to help universities install the sprinkler systems at all the institutions. They backed away from funding the project. This legislation would essentially codify the fact that they were not going to fund it and it also would have established the fact that the universities could use student fees to fund it. We do not want the legislators getting into the student fee business. We feel the use of student fees is the university's call, not the legislature's call.

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President Goldfarb added that we have already agreed to use student fees for the sprinkler project. We do not want the legislature to determine how we use our fees or to begin to control our resources.

Trustee Cook stated that the capital bill would pass if the Governor could get four Republican senators to support it. What about our WIU alumni Senators Dillard and Sieben? They could furnish half that support.

Dave stated that also Senator Lightford is a WIU grad. We have spoken with all of the senators, including Dillard and Sieben, and they understand our position. The approach that we have taken is pretty clear. Western Illinois University and all of higher education is in sad need of capital funding. It has been three years since we have had any capital bill passed. It is unfortunate whatever the reason is for this lack of funding that it may take a roof falling on someone's head before the General Assembly and others understand that we need this funding. Members have been known to bolt from caucus positions; it is not unheard of in terms of votes. We don't know, of course, if they will get four votes in the Senate Republicans or not—there are a number of lame duck senators who might decide if they had something in the capital bill that they would vote for it.

There is another chance in the veto session for passage. Representative Cross, in fact, has indicated that he thinks the capital bill will be addressed in the veto session.

Trustee Nelson asked if Dave has spotted unfunded mandates to the universities in the pipeline. Dave stated there is nothing that comes to mind, but it is not unusual to have unfunded mandates. There are bills that pass all the time that will have some administrative costs that do not show up in the legislative discussions. There has been a lot of talk about privacy and security in terms of computer systems. There is nothing that has been passed yet, but I suspect that we could incur some costs from something if it did pass.

Vice President Johnson added that one area we have problems with is the tuition waiver legislation. Those are not funded and the cost falls directly on the universities.

Dave agreed that veteran's benefits fall into that category. That is difficult because we want to support veteran's education. The universities are required to eat those costs. The legislative scholarships are another example.

Trustee Thomas asked about the textbook issues. Do universities lobby for those or do the textbook companies get involved. Dave stated that part of the problem with the legislation is that it required the publishing companies to do certain things and the legislature doesn't have that much control over the publishing companies. The companies have a market that they serve and a profit motive. The legislature can suggest things but the companies don't necessarily have to follow the suggestions. We have not made a textbook proposal. The issue has been on the table in terms of textbook rental. We have not made a specific proposal.

STRATEGIC PLAN UPDATE

Joe Rives, Assistant to the President for Planning and Budget presented a PowerPoint presentation regarding some concrete examples of how we are moving the Strategic Plan forward.

STRATEGIC PLAN UPDATE (CONTINUED)

We are distributing to each of you the conference brochure, "Access, Opportunity & Affordability: The Future of Higher Education." This is Western Illinois University's conference in concert with the United States Department of Education. Thanks to Kristin Dunstan who is helping us get ready for this conference. This brochure went out and we've had six other modes of communication with institutions in the Midwest. We have thirty individuals participating in the conference from Indiana, Iowa, Missouri, Minnesota, and North and South Dakota. We are excited about this opportunity.

In response to Trustee Cook who asked about getting the word out about Western's accessibility and affordability, Dr. Rives noted he has two quick videos to show today. The first was prepared for the WIU Foundation Board of Directors and will be influential in fund raising efforts. The second is a new 30 second commercial that will be airing in the Quad Cities area.

Dr. Rives also previewed the Western Illinois University-Quad Cities Master Plan. A 22-member steering committee has been meeting since fall 2005 along with the QC campus community governance process and has developed a comprehensive 20-year master plan for the future physical development of the new Western Illinois University-Quad Cities Riverfront Campus. He asked for trustees input on the master plan.

We first solicited feedback from every member of the QC campus community regarding their top 10 ideas for the future physical development of the new campus. It was clear following interviews with the President and Vice President and with Board members that we needed a plan that was tied to the Strategic Plan. The ideas and feedback received were condensed and a set of 10 guiding principles developed that then guided the direction of the steering committee. The top 10 guiding principles are:

1. Learner Centered Campus
2. Linking the Campus Areas
3. Distinctive, Aesthetically Pleasing Appearance
4. Environmental Awareness and Commitments
5. Campus Structure and Order (Educational Opportunity)
6. Accommodating Growth
7. Utility and Technology Infrastructure
8. Community Interface
9. Flexibility
10. Comprehensive Physical Planning

Over the next several months, the committee worked through the connections between the values of the strategic plan and the principles that were going to guide our future physical development. Working very diligently, we developed three alternative design scenarios that were presented to the QC Faculty Council and to the campus in open forums. A draft master plan was developed based on the feedback received from those presentations.

The draft presented to the Board today is the shared vision of the Quad Cities students, faculty and staff for the new Riverfront Campus. Following the feedback from the Board of Trustees the plan will be further modified and shared extensively with the Quad Cities campus community and with VIP's in the Quad Cities area with final plan presented for approval by the Board at the June 2006 meeting.

Dr. Rives responded to questions from trustees. He noted this is a well thought out and deliberate plan that will not be a surprise to the QC campus community or to the city of Moline. Also, as part of the planning process, WIU has been partnering throughout the planning with Renew Moline.

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One of the concerns expressed was the amount of land area dedicated to parking lots. Joe noted that he and Bill Brewer are working with a parking consultant and that in response to the concern he would ask the committee to revisit the idea of parking decks. Metro link access to the new campus will be good.

Trustee Griffin asked about building low-rise condos in proximity. It would be private building but would tie-in with the renewal efforts in Moline and give the campus a solid presence. Trustee Nelson noted that he feels any private development condos would be in the high-end price range since the property along the river is highly prized for the river view. Dr. Rives stated that Jim Bowman has expressed the same concern. Any condo development along the river would probably be out of the range of student affordability. Trustee Griffin mentioned there might be an opportunity a few blocks off the riverfront for such development.

Trustee Ehlert asked about a roadway to connect to the Tech Transfer property. Dr. Rives noted that access is there in the plan. The group further discussed campus access in case the river floods.

In terms of the time table, Joe stated the first building is basically a remodel and will take approximately two years. The remainder of the campus could be done on a ten-year plan if each building phase followed directly one after the other.

President Goldfarb replied that the enrollment and program planning would also take about 10 years to develop. It does take time to build the permanent physical structures as well as the admission procedures, enrollment base and program strategies. We are becoming very serious in our facilities planning as well as in what we are going to deliver to the students.

Chair Houston thanked Trustee Carolyn Ehlert for all of her efforts in helping to get the Quad Cities campus to where it is today. Carolyn has been the driving force from day one and the donation from John Deere would never have happened without her involvement. It is a great day in terms of seeing the release of the funds and getting to the point of approving a campus master plan. It is a credit to all of your work and effort in making this happen. I remember at one time that you were a voice by yourself.

Trustee Ehlert responded that it is great to see us at this point. She stated that she was able to get the right people in the same room for a meeting. It was then up to Dr. Goldfarb to sell the project and also the University and himself. He did that very well.

President Goldfarb replied that the access was not a simple thing and we never would have had the opportunity without Carolyn's efforts. I echo Mike's compliments to Trustee Ehlert.

ADVISORY GROUP REPORTS

Report on Consent Agenda Items

Dr. Steve Rock presented the combined constituent groups report on the Consent Agenda items.

Recently, our constituent groups were asked to review the proposed 2008-2010 academic calendar. Due to requests from members of the campus community, a survey was prepared and approved by the chairs/presidents of Faculty Senate, CSEC, SGA, and COAP to determine the interest in switching from the university's observance of Lincoln's Birthday to Presidents' Day. Brief arguments in favor of each option were presented. Respondents were asked for their university affiliation and their preferences. Nearly 1,700 people responded and the results were overwhelmingly in favor of making the switch.

ADVISORY GROUP REPORTS (CONTINUED)

Report on Consent Agenda Items (Continued)

61.5% preferred Presidents' Day, 21.5% preferred Lincoln's Birthday, while 17% didn't care. The results were consistent throughout all constituent groups: Faculty, Civil Service, Administrative Personnel, and Students. On this basis, we recommend that the university switch its observance to Presidents' Day beginning in spring 2009.

Some of the arguments in favor of the switch are:

1. Since the public school systems also take Presidents' Day off, employees with children often have difficulty and expense in arranging day care or need to take a vacation/personal day.
2. Students who take courses at both Western and a community college may find they do not get a day off currently.
3. Presidents' Day is a federal holiday (no mail, banks and financial institutions are closed) so it makes sense for us to be in step with everyone else.
4. Since Presidents' Day also honors Lincoln, we are not turning our backs on him.
5. Only three of the eleven other state universities observe Lincoln's Birthday.

Trustee Houston asked how many state universities in Illinois celebrate Presidents' Day rather than Lincoln's birthday.

Steve Rock said that three other universities celebrate Lincoln's Birthday while one celebrates Presidents' Day and the others do not celebrate either.

Trustee Houston stated that the last time this proposal was brought before the Board a couple of years ago, it was decided that we would maintain Lincoln's Birthday as a holiday based on the fact that Lincoln is from Illinois.

Steve Rock noted that Presidents' Day also honors Lincoln and we do feel strongly that Lincoln should be honored. Presidents' Day just honors others as well.

Returning to the combined Consent Agenda comments, the constituent groups also appreciate the opportunity to provide input into the master planning process for the Macomb and Quad Cities campuses.

Lastly, we are pleased that the Governor's FY2007 budget proposal shows an increase in funds for the first time in years and that funds have been released for planning the Performing Arts Center and the new Western QC campus. We are also pleased that IBHE has recognized our First Year Experience program as a Best Practice.

Student Government Association

Ms. Bridget Early, President SGA – Macomb campus, stated that if the University wanted to allow the campus to celebrate both Lincoln's Birthday and Presidents' Day, she and all the students would be most happy.

Chair Houston noted that it was the Student Government Association who had brought forward the previous proposal. According to President Spencer it was the only time he lost a vote on a Board item.

She reported that the Student Government Association-Macomb Campus has been keeping busy in the previous months with several issues, including:

ADVISORY GROUP REPORTS (CONTINUED)

Student Government Association (Continued)

1. Student Fees: SGA organized an ad-hoc committee to review the recommendations for FY 2007 fees. The committee met six times in a span of four weeks to review all the information received from the various departments and to make our recommendation. We want to thank Vice President Johnson and President Goldfarb for taking their time to attend the meeting, listen to our concerns and supporting us. It is greatly appreciated.
2. CUPP recommendations: SGA has been working on a response to the Community University Partnership Program's recommendations to curb the issue of fighting going on in the community. This has led SGA to look at the development of programs that will provide non-alcoholic alternatives for students.
3. Wigwam Hollow Bridge: SGA has been working with City Council on the lighting of Wigwam Hollow Bridge where a girl was in a fatal car accident last year.
4. Co-Sponsorships: SGA has co-sponsored several projects such as Black History Month and Unity Awareness Week and look forward to offering more assistance to more student organizations in the coming months.

The Student Government Association in the Quad Cities has also accomplished several things in the recent months:

1. Created a comprehensive calendar for all student organizations to avoid event scheduling conflicts.
2. Supported the Society of Educators Block Party with record attendance of its members and families.
3. Participated in the 2005-06 Master Planning Committee for our riverfront campus strategizing. We have taken the responsibility for bringing student's concerns and questions to the committee so that their input is included in the development process.
4. Participated in a community service project and a food outreach program at the United Methodist Church in Rock Island. We helped prepare food that fed 100 elderly and displaced members of the QC community.
5. Sponsored an angel tree that was provided by Lutheran Social Services. The QC campus students, faculty, and staff purchased Christmas gifts for 120 underprivileged children within our community.
6. Distributed insulated lunch bags that housed contact information for new students during spring semester orientation in January.

Both the SGA in Macomb and in the Quad Cities are working on:

1. Elections: SGA elections are coming up soon. Both campuses are working hard to making sure our elections are successful.
2. Both associations will be attending lobby days in Springfield on Wednesday, March 22, 2006 to lobby various leaders about the important issues facing the University such as capital and the new riverfront campus.

Trustee Thomas complimented Bridget for her involvement with the Quad Cities campus students. The students there are very appreciative of her efforts to network with the campus.

ADVISORY GROUP REPORTS (CONTINUED)

Council of Administrative Personnel

Amy Spelman, Vice President COAP, noted that COAP recently kicked off the election process by calling for nominations for the following positions:

- Vice President/President Elect
- Division Representatives (6): President, Provost, VPAS, VPAPS, VPSS, and QC
- Grievance Committee

Amy Spelman will be the President of COAP next year. COAP is also seeking nominations for the Employee of the Year award.

The election results and the Employee of the Year award will be announced at an open meeting of our membership with President Goldfarb on Thursday, May 4, at 11:00 A.M. in Horrabin Hall, Room #1. COAP hosts an open meeting with the President each semester where Dr. Goldfarb highlights what is happening at the University and typically focuses on fiscal issues, campus planning and the strategic plan.

COAP will be following up with contract employees (i.e., faculty assistants) who are not represented by any governing council but whose duties are most similar to those members of COAP. These employees will be invited to join COAP by the end of this school year if not earlier.

COAP acknowledges in appreciation President Goldfarb's willingness to include the direct reports of each of the Vice Presidents while completing their respective annual performance evaluations.

COAP members continue to be involved in the efforts of master planning on both the QC and Macomb campuses and thanks President Goldfarb and Assistant to the President Joe Rives for engaging our membership in this very important process for the future our institution.

Faculty Senate

Chair of Faculty Senate Steve Rock noted that the Faculty Senate has met five times since the last Board of Trustees meeting. We have reviewed a number of new course requests, along with a new Emergency Management major, and a new Department of Communication Sciences and Disorders. We have also updated and recommended changes in a number of university policies, including: Field Trips, Grades and Class Attendance, Departmental Responsibilities, Faculty Responsibilities, Administrator Selection Procedures, Final Examinations, Award of Honorary Degrees, and Academic Deans. We have considered the issue of departments that require a 2.0 or higher grade point average to be a major. There are two Senators on the Master Planning Committee. We have assigned one of our Councils to consider the definition of some academic terms that are unclear, such as certificate, emphasis, track and concentration.

We engaged in a conversation with the manager of the bookstore about problems of under ordered textbooks as well as some courses not having enough books on the shelf when classes began. While we had this same conversation last semester, it is hoped that changes will be made to reduce the number of problems for the fall semester.

Our Council on International Education is developing their policy and procedures to become operational. While their proposal has generated some concerns, it is hoped they can be ironed out shortly so the Council can become operational.

ADVISORY GROUP REPORTS (CONTINUED)

Faculty Senate (Continued)

We have instituted the Online Course Information Implementation Committee in response to students' requests for details about courses prior to registration. This committee will consist of three faculty and two students, with a goal of providing information prior to the registration period for spring 2007 classes. This will include details about the textbook(s) required, the format of the course, etc.

The Senate will be recognizing Faculty Emeriti with a plaque that will hang outside of this room. We plan to have an unveiling and a reception later this semester.

Going back to the issue of celebrating Presidents' Day versus Lincoln's Birthday, the most compelling argument comes from faculty and staff who have children in the public school system. For those employees it is very difficult to have to deal with that issue. They either have to take a personal day off or pay for babysitting or daycare.

Civil Service Employees Council

Krista Skien, CSEC President, reported that the Civil Service Employees Council had a very successful winter luncheon last December with over 200 attendees. We had over $1,200 in raffle ticket sales which benefited our scholarship fund. Plans for our spring luncheon, which is scheduled for Thursday, May 4, are underway.

Civil service employees will have an opportunity to hear from President Goldfarb at our semi-annual Open Forums with the President on April 26. We are excited to know that many positive topics may be discussed, including the planning funds for the Performing Arts Center, the new Western Illinois University-Quad Cities Riverfront Campus, and the Governor's increased FY2007 budget proposal.

Outstanding civil service employees have been named in recent months. Dallas Mowen, Assistant Manager in UIMS was named employee of the year at the December luncheon. Recent monthly awardees were Ronald Sydnor and Vicki Tait, Building Service Workers and Deanna Stambaugh, Image Processing Technician in UCSS.

Members of CSEC are pleased to be included in the salary equity discussions concerning civil service employees. We are very appreciative that the University has kept its goal of addressing this issue.

We will be conducting elections in April to fill expiring terms and membership vacancies, including the president, vice president, and public relations officer positions. Krista Skien also thanked the Board and numerous members of the University for the opportunity of representing civil service employees this year.

ACTION ITEMS: CONSENT AGENDA

Chair Houston noted that the Consent Agenda includes:

Resolution No. 06.3/1: Release of November 4, 2005, Executive Session Meeting Minutes
Resolution No. 06.3/2: Purchases of $500,000 or More (As amended by handout)
Resolution No. 06.3/3: Pipe Trade District Council No. 34
Resolution No. 06.3/4: FY Tuition Recommendation
Resolution No. 06.3/5: FY2007 Fees and Room and Board/Housing Rates (As amended by handout)
Resolution No. 06.3/6: New Degree Program – B.S. in Emergency Management

ACTION ITEMS: CONSENT AGENDA (CONTINUED)

Is there a motion to approve the Consent Agenda?

Trustee Griffin moved to approve the Consent Agenda with second provided by Trustee Nelson.

Chair Houston noted that all the items were discussed in the morning committee meetings. There were no further discussions regarding any of the items on the Consent Agenda.

Roll Call

Trustee Cook	Yes
Trustee Ehlert	Yes
Trustee Epperly	Yes
Trustee Griffin	Yes
Trustee Guzzardo	Absent
Trustee Houston	Yes
Trustee Nelson	Yes
Trustee Thomas	Yes

Motion carried. The following items were approved.

Resolution No. 06.3/1: Release of November 4, 2005, Executive Session Meeting Minutes

WHEREAS pursuant to Section 2.06(c) of the Open Meetings Act, the Board of Trustees of Western Illinois University has reviewed the minutes of the executive session to determine whether the need for confidentiality still exists with respect to all or part of the minutes:

THEREFORE be it resolved that the Board of Trustees of Western Illinois University approves for public disclosure at this time the following executive session minutes:

November 4, 2005

Resolution No. 06.3/2: Purchases of $500,000 or More

WHEREAS Western Illinois University has a need to install fire sprinkler systems in Bayliss and Henninger residence halls; and,

WHEREAS the University is entering the construction phase of the Document Publication Services/Property Control building; and,

WHEREAS the University requires the professional services of an architectural firm for design services for the renovation of the Hanson Field football stadium; and,

WHEREAS the above mentioned projects have 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 the installation of sprinkler systems and the construction of a building from the selected firms as presented.

ACTION ITEMS: CONSENT AGENDA (CONTINUED)

Resolution No. 06.3/2: Purchases of $500,000 or More (Continued)

Sprinkler Installation

ITEM DESCRIPTION: The installation of sprinklers in Bayliss and Henninger residence halls. Fire sprinkler systems are required to be installed in residence halls by 2013. The project includes the installation of an automatic fire sprinkler system throughout the halls which will comply with the NFPA 13 Standards. Protection will be provided in students rooms, hallways, common areas, mechanical areas, storage rooms, the cafeteria and kitchen. The new fire sprinkler system will be integrated with the existing addressable fire alarm equipment to create a state of the art fire protection system for the complex. The project will also include the installation of a 750 gallon per minute fire pump to feed the sprinkler system and a new electrical unit substation to power the fire pump.

COST:
$671,100.00
40,000.00 contingency
$711,100.00

RECOMMENDED VENDOR:

General	Leander Construction Co.; Canton, IL
Electrical	Foster Jacob, Inc., Peoria, IL
Sprinkler Fitter	McDaniel Fire Systems; Peoria, IL

FUND SOURCE: Local

SUMMARY OF BIDS:

General Contractor

Leander Construction Co.; Canton, IL	$ 76,800.00
Housewright Contracting; LaHarpe, IL	$ 86,000.00
Trotter General Contracting, Inc.; Macomb, IL	$117,311.00

Electrical Contractor

Foster Jacob, Inc.; Peoria, IL	$ 54,000.00
Schaefer Electrical Contractors; Peoria, IL	$ 81,106.00

Sprinkler Fitter Contractor

McDaniel Fire Systems; Peoria, IL	$540,300.00
Automatic Fire Sprinkler; Bloomington, IL	$711,000.00
Prevention Fire Protection; Morton, IL	$812,574.00

One company did not bid; and six companies did not reply.

ACTION ITEMS: CONSENT AGENDA (CONTINUED)

Resolution No. 06.3/2: Purchases of $500,000 or More (Continued)

Construction of DPS/PDC Building

ITEM DESCRIPTION: The construction of the Document Publications Services and Property Distribution Center (DPS/PDC). The building will consolidate the Document Publications Services into a single location. The location will also provide a centralized storage location for surplus equipment, enabling the University to better utilize or reallocate usable equipment.

The scope of the project includes a pre-engineered metal building on a concrete slab which will be approximately 14,000 gross square feet, a service dock, and a parking area.

COST:
$1,556,073.00
90,000.00 contingency
$1,646,073.00

RECOMMENDED VENDOR:

General	Leander Construction Co.; Canton, IL
Electrical	Foster Jacob, Inc.; Peoria, IL
Plumbing	Frank Millard & Co. Inc.; Burlington, IA
Ventilation	Frank Millard & Co., Inc.; Burlington, IA
Heating	Johnson Contracting Co., Inc.; E. Moline, IL

FUND SOURCE: Local and Appropriated

SUMMARY OF BIDS:

General Contractor

Leander Construction Co.; Canton, IL	$803,500.00
Laverdiere Construction, Inc.; Macomb, IL	$807,348.00
Hein Construction; Galesburg, IL	$821,500.00
Housewright Contracting; LaHarpe, IL	$857,303.00
Frank Millard & Co., Inc.; Burlington, IA	$877,379.00
Evans Construction Co.; Springfield, IL	$903,700.00
Ryco Distributing, Inc,; Bushnell, IL	$923,171.00
Hillebrand Construction; Davenport, IA	$930,915.00

Electrical Contractor

Foster Jacob, Inc.; Peoria, IL	$191,112.00
Cox Construction; Macomb, IL	$237,415.00
Schaefer Electrical Contractors; Peoria, IL	$255,342.00
Frank Millard & Co., Inc.; Burlington, IA	$448.655.00

ACTION ITEMS: CONSENT AGENDA (CONTINUED)

Resolution No. 06.3/2: Purchases of $500,000 or More (Continued)

Construction of DPS/PDC Building (Continued)

SUMMARY OF BIDS (CONTINUED):

Plumbing Contractor	
Frank Millard & Co., Inc.; Burlington, IA	$ 83,052.00
Warner Plumbing; East Peoria, IL	$112,800.00
Ventilation	
Frank Millard & Co., Inc.; Burlington, IA	$ 51,770.00
Heating	
Johnson Contracting Co., Inc.; East Moline, IL	$426,639.00
Frank Millard & Co., Inc.; Burlington, IA	$449,316.00

One electrical company withdrew their bid; two companies did not bid; and fifteen companies did not reply.

Architectural Design Fees

ITEM DESCRIPTION:	The architect and engineering fees to perform the design work and related services for the renovation of the student section of the Hanson Field football stadium. The improvements will include the replacement of existing wood bleachers which will increase seating from 3,800 to 5,000, new concession and restroom facilities, and other associated construction and utility work.
COST:	$500,000.00 estimated
RECOMMENDED VENDOR:	HNTB Architecture, Inc.; Kansas City, MO
FUND SOURCE:	Local
SUMMARY OF BIDS:	Exempt from competitive bidding per Section 30-15 (c) of the Illinois Procurement Code. The University complied with the Architectural, Engineering, and Land Surveying Qualifications Based Selection Act in selecting a firm.

ACTION ITEMS: CONSENT AGENDA (CONTINUED)

Resolution No. 06.3/3: Pipe Trade District Council No. 34

WHEREAS the Board of Trustees must approve collective bargaining agreements prior to implementation; and,

WHEREAS an agreement was reached on January 12, 2006, and is pending ratification on or before March 8, 2006, by Pipe Trade District Council No. 34:

THEREFORE be it resolved that the Board of Trustees approves the agreement as presented.

Resolution No. 06.3/3
Pipe Trade District Council No. 34

A tentative agreement was reached on January 12, 2006, with Pipe Trade District Council No. 34 representing approximately 10 employees primarily in Plumber and Pipefitter classifications. This agreement is for a period of four years commencing July 1, 2002, and is pending ratification. It provides for the extension of the agreement through June 30, 2010, should the Employer provide all the holidays referenced in the Board of Trustees Regulations for civil service employees to bargaining unit members with pay after June 30, 2006.

Contractual Language

The contract contains all provisions required by law. In addition, it contains specific articles reflecting the unique circumstance of Western Illinois University. The parties agreed to continue the benefits, insurance, and other related matters currently in effect for employees under the Board Regulations.

Wage Settlement

The parties agreed the negotiated hourly wage rate for classifications in the bargaining unit shall be the prevailing wage certified to the University by the Illinois Department of Labor for McDonough County.

Resolution No. 06.3/4: FY2007 Tuition Recommendation

WHEREAS tuition is to be established annually by the Board of Trustees; and,

WHEREAS general guidelines established by the Illinois Board of Higher Education were followed; and,

WHEREAS appropriate groups on campus were involved in the establishment of tuition for FY2007; and,

WHEREAS this rate would be an increase of 9.5% for new students only, which would result in an increase of 3.17% per year for these students; and,

WHEREAS the annual increase of 3.17% is below inflationary indices; and,

WHEREAS Western Illinois University maintains a commitment to access and affordability:

ACTION ITEMS: CONSENT AGENDA (CONTINUED)

Resolution No. 06.3/4: FY2007 Tuition Recommendation (Continued)

THEREFORE be it resolved that the Board of Trustees approves tuition charges for FY2007 (effective Summer Semester 2006) as enumerated in the FY2007 Tuition Recommendation document which follows. (Also, see pocket reference.)

Resolution No. 06.3/4
FY2007 Tuition Recommendation

	FY2006	Proposed FY2007		
	Current	Amount	$ Change	% Change
TUITION RATES				
I. UNDERGRADUATE STUDENTS (Guaranteed Plan "E"- Returning FY2004)				
Full-time Students (Based on 15 SCH's per term)				
Academic Year (Fall and Spring)	$3,915.00	$3,915.00	$0.00	0.0%
Per Credit Hour	$130.50	$130.50	$0.00	0.0%
II. UNDERGRADUATE STUDENTS (Guaranteed Plan "F"- Returning FY2005)				
Full-time Students (Based on 15 SCH's per term)				
Academic Year (Fall and Spring)	$4,537.50	$4,537.50	$0.00	0.0%
Per Credit Hour	$151.25	$151.25	$0.00	0.0%
III. UNDERGRADUATE STUDENTS (Guaranteed Plan "G"- Returning FY2006)				
Full-time Students (Based on 15 SCH's per term)				
Academic Year (Fall and Spring)	$4,968.00	$4,968.00	$0.00	0.0%
Per Credit Hour	$165.60	$165.60	$0.00	0.0%
IV. UNDERGRADUATE STUDENTS (Guaranteed Plan "H"- New Summer 2006)				
Full-time Students (Based on 15 SCH's per term)				
Academic Year (Fall and Spring)	$4,968.00	$5,439.00	$471.00	9.5%
Per Credit Hour	$165.60	$181.30	$15.70	9.5%

Resolution No. 06.3/4
FY2007 Tuition Recommendation

	FY2006	Proposed FY2007		
	Current	Amount	$ Change	% Change
TUITION RATES				
V. GRADUATE STUDENTS (Guaranteed Plan "F"- Returning FY2005)				
Full-time Students (Based on 12 SCH's per term)				
Academic Year (Fall and Spring)	$4,002.00	$4,002.00	$0.00	0.0%
Per Credit Hour	$166.75	$166.75	$0.00	0.0%
VI. GRADUATE STUDENTS (Guaranteed Plan "G"- Returning FY2006)				
Full-time Students (Based on 12 SCH's per term)				
Academic Year (Fall and Spring)	$4,382.40	$4,382.40	$0.00	0.0%
Per Credit Hour	$182.60	$182.60	$0.00	0.0%
VII. GRADUATE STUDENTS (Guaranteed Plan "H"- New Summer 2006)				
Full-time Students (Based on 12 SCH's per term)				
Academic Year (Fall and Spring)	$4,382.40	$4,798.80	$416.40	9.5%
Per Credit Hour	$182.60	$199.95	$17.35	9.5%

VIII. OUT-OF-STATE STUDENTS

Tuition is assessed at one and one-half times the in-state rate for out-of-state undergraduate students and two times the in-state rate for out-of-state graduate students.

Students at Western Illinois University who are residents of Clark, Lewis, Marion, Ralls, Pike, or Lincoln counties in Missouri, or Scott, Muscatine, Louisa, Des Moines, Lee, Dubuque, Jackson, or Clinton counties in Iowa are subject to special procedures regarding tuition.

ACTION ITEMS: CONSENT AGENDA (CONTINUED)

Resolution No. 06.3/5: FY2007 Fees and Room and Board/Housing Rates

WHEREAS the fees and room and board are to be established annually by the Board of Trustees; and,

WHEREAS general guidelines established by the Illinois Board of Higher Education were followed; and,

WHEREAS appropriate constituent groups on campus were involved in the establishment of fees and room and board for FY2007:

THEREFORE be it resolved that the Board of Trustees approves fees and room and board rates for FY2007 (effective Summer Semester 2006) as enumerated in the FY2007 Fees and Room and Board/Housing Recommendation document which follows: (Also, see pocket reference.)

Resolution No. 06.3/5
FY2007 Fees and Room and Board/Housing Rates

				Proposed FY2007		
	FY2004	FY2005	FY2006	Amount	$ Change	% Change
I. Macomb Campus Student Fee Allocations						
Academic Year (Based on 15 SCH's per term)						
Activity	$87.90	$92.70	$97.20	$97.20	$-	-
Athletic	170.10	182.40	190.20	200.10	9.90	5.21%
Bond Revenue	483.00	504.90	532.20	546.30	14.10	2.65%
Computer	73.50	99.90	120.00	129.90	9.90	8.25%
Facilities Enhancement & Life Safety	-	-	210.00	210.00	-	-
Health Center	157.80	159.90	162.30	171.90	9.60	5.91%
Publication	15.00	17.10	18.00	19.80	1.80	10.00%
Talent Grant	39.00	39.00	41.10	43.20	2.10	5.11%
Transit	56.10	61.80	71.70	65.70	(6.00)	-8.37%
Total Per Credit Hour	$1,082.40	$1,157.70	$1,442.70	$1,484.10	$41.40	2.87%
Fall or Spring Semester Per Credit Hour						
Activity	$2.93	$3.09	$3.24	$3.24	$-	-
Athletic	5.67	6.08	6.34	6.67	0.33	5.21%
Bond Revenue	16.10	16.83	17.74	18.21	0.47	2.65%
Computer	2.45	3.33	4.00	4.33	0.33	8.25%
Facilities Enhancement & Life Safety	-	-	7.00	7.00	-	-
Health Center	5.26	5.33	5.41	5.73	0.32	5.91%
Publication	0.50	0.57	0.60	0.66	0.06	10.00%
Talent Grant	1.30	1.30	1.37	1.44	0.07	5.11%
Transit	1.87	2.06	2.39	2.19	(0.20)	-8.37%
Total Per Credit Hour	$36.08	$38.59	$48.09	$49.47	$1.38	2.87%
Summer Semester Per Credit Hour						
Activity	$1.88	$1.98	$2.08	$2.08	$-	-
Athletic	3.63	3.89	4.05	4.26	0.21	5.19%

Bond Revenue	10.30	10.77	11.35	11.65	0.30	2.64%
Computer	1.57	2.13	2.56	2.77	0.21	8.20%
Facilities Enhancement & Life Safety	-	-	4.48	4.48	-	-
Health Center	3.36	3.41	3.46	3.67	0.21	6.07%
Publication	0.32	0.37	0.39	0.43	0.04	10.26%
Talent Grant	0.83	0.83	0.88	0.92	0.04	4.55%
Transit	1.18	1.32	1.53	1.40	(0.13)	-8.50%
Total Per Credit Hour	$23.07	$24.70	$30.78	$31.66	$0.88	2.86%

II. Quad Cities Campus Student Fee Allocations

Academic Year (Based on 15 SCH's per term)						
Activity	$83.70	$83.70	$90.00	$96.00	$6.00	6.67%
Athletic	-	-	-	-	-	-
Bond Revenue	-	-	-	-	-	-
Computer	73.50	73.50	120.00	129.90	9.90	8.25%
Facilities Enhancement & Life Safety	-	-	210.00	210.00	-	-
Health Center	-	-	-	-	-	-
Publication	12.00	12.00	7.50	4.50	(3.00)	-40.00%
Talent Grant	36.00	36.00	30.00	30.00	-	-
Transit	57.60	61.80	72.00	75.00	3.00	4.17%
Total Per Credit Hour	$262.80	$267.00	$529.50	$545.40	$15.90	3.00%

				Proposed FY2007		
	FY2004	FY2005	FY2006	Amount	$Change	%Change
Fall or Spring Semester Per Credit Hour						
Activity	$2.79	$2.79	$3.00	$3.20	$0.20	6.67%
Athletic	-	-	-	-	-	-
Bond Revenue	-	-	-	-	-	-
Computer	2.45	2.45	4.00	4.33	0.33	8.25%
Facilities Enhancement & Life Safety	-	-	7.00	7.00	-	-
Health Center	-	-	-	-	-	-
Publication	0.40	0.40	0.25	0.15	(0.10)	-40.00%
Talent Grant	1.20	1.20	1.00	1.00	-	-
Transit	1.92	2.06	2.40	2.50	0.10	4.17%
	$8.76	$8.90	$17.65	$18.18	$0.53	3.00%
Summer Semester Per Credit Hour						
Activity	$1.78	$1.78	$1.92	$2.04	$0.12	6.25%
Athletic	-	-	-	-	-	-
Bond Revenue	-	-	-	-	-	-
Computer	1.57	1.57	2.56	2.77	0.21	8.20%
Facilities Enhancement & Life Safety	-	-	4.48	4.48	-	-
Health Center	-	-	-	-	-	-
Publication	0.26	0.26	0.16	0.10	(0.06)	-37.50%
Talent Grant	0.77	0.77	0.64	0.64	-	-
Transit	-	-	-	-	-	-

	$4.38	$4.38	$9.76	$10.03	$0.27	2.77%
III. Room and Board and Housing Rates						
Academic Year (Fall and Spring)						
Room and Board - Double Occupancy	$5,366.00	$5,768.00	$6,143.00	$6,446.00	$303.00	4.93%
Room and Board - Single Occupancy	6,434.00	6,916.00	7,366.00	7,728.00	362.00	4.91%
Room and Board - Super Single	6,564.00	7,056.00	7,515.00	7,884.00	369.00	4.91%
Room and Board - Suite	5,502.00	5,898.00	6,282.00	6,592.00	310.00	4.93%
Room and Board - New Hall Double Occupancy	-	6,268.00	6,456.00	6,774.00	318.00	4.93%
Room and Board - New Hall Single Occupancy	-	7,316.00	7,536.00	7,908.00	372.00	4.94%
Room - International House	-	-	4,280.00	4,500.00	220.00	5.14%
Apartment - One Bedroom Unfurnished	3,820.00	4,034.00	4,175.00	4,300.00	125.00	2.99%
Apartment - One Bedroom Furnished	4,120.00	4,350.00	4,502.50	4,640.00	137.50	3.05%
Apartment - Two Bedroom Unfurnished	4,160.00	4,392.00	4,545.00	4,680.00	135.00	2.97%
Apartment - Two Bedroom Furnished	4,460.00	4,710.00	4,875.00	5,020.00	145.00	2.97%
Apartment - Two Bedroom East Village	5,500.00	5,850.00	6,055.00	6,220.00	165.00	2.73%
Summer Semester						
Room - Double Occupancy	$428.00	$460.00	$490.00	$514.00	$24.00	4.90%
Room - Single Occupancy	701.00	753.00	802.00	842.00	40.00	4.99%
Room - Super Single	-	-	-	-	-	-
Room - Suite	-	-	-	-	-	-
Room - New Hall Double Occupancy	-	-	-	-	-	-
Room - New Hall Single Occupancy	-	-	-	-	-	-
Room - International House	-	-	856.00	900.00	44.00	5.14%
Apartment - One Bedroom Unfurnished	764.00	806.00	834.00	860.00	26.00	3.12%
Apartment - One Bedroom Furnished	824.00	870.00	900.00	928.00	28.00	3.11%
Apartment - Two Bedroom Unfurnished	832.00	878.00	909.00	936.00	27.00	2.97%
Apartment - Two Bedroom Furnished	892.00	942.00	975.00	1,004.00	29.00	2.97%
Apartment - Two Bedroom East Village	1,100.00	1,170.00	1,211.00	1,244.00	33.00	2.73%

Resolution No. 06.3/6: New Degree Program—B.S. in Emergency Management

WHEREAS Goal 4 of *The Illinois Commitment* states that "Illinois will increase the number and diversity of residents completing training and education programs;" and,

WHEREAS the University Strategic Plan, "Higher Values in Higher Education: A Plan for Western Illinois University," calls for excellence in undergraduate programs through expanded degree programs; and,

WHEREAS the goal of the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) is "to encourage and support the expansion of hazards, disaster, and emergency management-related education in colleges and universities across the United States;" and,

WHEREAS there is an occupational demand for emergency management specialists in the United States:

THEREFORE be it resolved that the Board of Trustees of Western Illinois University approves the request to offer the B.S. in Emergency Management.

ACTION ITEMS: CONSENT AGENDA (CONTINUED)

Resolution No. 06.3/6: New Degree Program—B.S. in Emergency Management (Continued)

Western Illinois University proposes to offer the B.S. in Emergency Management. The program will be administered by the Department of Health Sciences, which is housed in the College of Education and Human Services.

The B.S. in Emergency Management degree program at Western Illinois University is designed to educate students to coordinate disaster response or crisis management activities, provide disaster preparedness training, and prepare emergency plans and procedures for natural (tornadoes, floods, earthquakes, hurricanes) or technological (hazardous materials spills, nuclear power plant emergencies) disasters, or bioterrorism situations. The program addresses competencies required of emergency management professionals in federal, state, or local government settings, with emphasis on emergency response agencies (fire, law enforcement, public health, offices of emergency services, and specific agencies such as the American Red Cross). The program also addresses the growing demand for emergency management personnel in private sector organizations that are responsible for health and safety issues, environmental concerns, and hazardous materials.

Thus, Western Illinois University is addressing the goal of the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) "to encourage and support the expansion of hazards, disaster, and emergency management-related education in colleges and universities across the United States." In addition, the multi-disciplinary approach utilized in this program (law enforcement, fire science, public health, safety, etc.) will enable the development of a well-rounded emergency management professional to address today's threats to our communities.

The B.S. in Emergency Management is an interdisciplinary program which requires 120 semester hours to complete. Students will be required to complete coursework in chemistry, computer science, emergency management, geography, health education, health services management, law enforcement and justice administration, and political science. Students will be given the opportunity to complete additional coursework in community health, microbiology, and occupational safety.

ACTION ITEMS

Resolution No. 06.3/7: Honorary Doctorate Award Recommendations

Chair Houston asked for a motion to approve Resolution No. 06.3/7: Honorary Doctorate Award Recommendations.

Trustee Ehlert moved for passage with second provided by Trustee Griffin.

Chair Houston noted that the resolution in the Board packet is in general format. We have now added the individuals' names. He read the additions to resolution before the Board for action. The resolution in its entirety is printed below. There was no further discussion.

ACTION ITEMS (CONTINUED)

Resolution No. 06.3/7: Honorary Doctorate Award Recommendations (Continued)

He noted, these are outstanding graduates of Western. Dr. Dohner is a legend in this area having served the people of the Rushville area for over 50 years. As was indicated, he was one of four pre-med students in a program that was started here and was the first student to go on to medical school and graduate.

As I understand it, once Dr. Dohner finished his schooling in Chicago he went back to Rushville to serve for a short time but has stayed 51 years. His patients pay $5.00 for a visit and he is an amazing individual. The Teeters have a very successful career. They have been successful in terms of their accomplishments but they also have been extremely generous to this University.

Trustee Cook asked if someone could get back to him with a clarification on whether anyone who is currently an employee of the state would be eligible to receive an honorary degree from Western. President Goldfarb said Legal Council would check and respond to Trustee Cook's question.

Roll Call

Trustee Ehlert	Yes
Trustee Epperly	Yes
Trustee Griffin	Yes
Trustee Guzzardo	Absent
Trustee Houston	Yes
Trustee Nelson	Yes
Trustee Thomas	Yes
Trustee Cook	Yes

Motion carried. The following resolution was approved.

Resolution No. 06.3/7: Honorary Doctorate Award Recommendations (Amended)

WHEREAS Dr. Russell Dohner, M.D. was a member of the first pre-med group at Western Illinois University after World War II, then attended the Northwestern University medical school, graduating in 1953, then spent a fifth year as an internist at St. Luke's Hospital in Chicago and spent a sixth year in the cardiology program; and,

WHEREAS Dr. Dohner came back to Rushville, Illinois, and served as a doctor for over 51 years, with house calls costing patients $5.00; and,

WHEREAS Dr. Dohner was proclaimed the winner of the Pfizer Quality Care Award by Illinois Governor George Ryan in 2002, was second runner-up in 2004 for the National Country Doctor Award, was named as one of the Illinois Country Doctors of the Year Award in 2005, was a recipient of the 1982 Alumni Achievement Award, and was the first recipient of the Rushville Rotary Club Paul Harris Fellow Award; and,

WHEREAS Dr. Carmelita Teeter, M.D. received her medical degree from Central Manila University; and,

WHEREAS Mr. Norman C. Teeter, M.S. received his Bachelor of Science Degree in Psychology from Western Illinois University in 1967 and received his Master's Degree in Psychology from the University of Tennessee; and,

ACTION ITEMS (CONTINUED)

Resolution No. 06.3/7: Honorary Doctorate Award Recommendations (Amended) (Continued)

WHEREAS Mr. Norman C. and Dr. Carmelita Teeter have established multiple drug and alcohol abuse clinics in Tennessee and Kentucky that assist recovering addicts; and,

WHEREAS Mr. Norman C. and Dr. Carmelita Teeter continue to be generous supporters of Western Illinois University:

THEREFORE be it resolved that the Board of Trustees of Western Illinois University approves the conferral of a Doctor of Humane Letters upon Dr. Russell Dohner, Dr. Carmelita Teeter and Mr. Norman Teeter at the May, 2006 Commencement Ceremonies.

Resolution No. 06.3/8: Naming of Baseball Stadium

Trustee Houston asked for a motion to approve Resolution No. 06.3/8: Naming of the Baseball Stadium.

Trustee Thomas moved for passage with second by Trustee Epperly.

Chair Houston noted this resolution will name the renovated baseball stadium for Mr. Alfred D. Boyer. He has made a very significant gift that has allowed for that renovation as well as been a major contributor to the University over the years.

Roll Call

Trustee Epperly	Yes
Trustee Griffin	Yes
Trustee Guzzardo	Absent
Trustee Houston	Yes
Trustee Nelson	Yes
Trustee Thomas	Yes
Trustee Cook	Yes
Trustee Ehlert	Yes

Motion carried. The following resolution was approved.

Resolution No. 06.3/8: Naming of Baseball Stadium

WHEREAS the Western Illinois University Board of Trustees approved the renovation of the baseball stadium on September 9, 2005; and,

WHEREAS the newly renovated stadium will be completed prior to the beginning of the 2006 baseball season; and,

WHEREAS Mr. Alfred D. Boyer has made a significant gift to Western Illinois University in support of the renovation of its baseball facility; and,

WHEREAS Mr. Alfred D. Boyer has continued to support Western Illinois University and its athletic programs; and,

ACTION ITEMS (CONTINUED)

Resolution No. 06.3/8: Naming of Baseball Stadium (Continued)

WHEREAS the recommendation of the Athletics Department, with concurring recommendation from Vice President W. Garry Johnson to President Al Goldfarb; and,

WHEREAS Board Regulations Section VI.C.1-5 address the naming of University property, and the naming of the baseball stadium for Mr. Alfred D. Boyer is appropriate within those guidelines:

THEREFORE be it resolved that the baseball stadium be named the *Alfred D. Boyer Baseball Stadium*.

Resolution No. 06.3/9: Trustee Appreciation – Lorraine Epperson

Chair Houston asked for a motion to approve Resolution No. 06.3/9: Trustee Appreciation – Lorraine Epperson.

Trustee Ehlert stated that it is her pleasure to make a motion to approve this very fitting note of appreciation to Lorraine Epperson. Trustee Griffin seconded the motion.

Chair Houston read the resolution into the meeting record. He further noted that Lorraine was in attendance at the dinner the Board held last evening. Everyone was able to express their thanks and appreciation to Lorraine at that time. She was and will continue to be a great supporter of Western Illinois University. When we think back to the beginning of the dream for a Performing Arts Center in Macomb, Lorraine was the member of the Board who was the driving force to help make that happen. She has been a leader in the community and an important member of the Board since its inception. We owe her a great deal for all that she has done. She will continue to be a major supporter of WIU and, anytime we need to call on her, she will be more than willing to assist.

Roll Call

Trustee Houston	Yes
Trustee Nelson	Yes
Trustee Thomas	Yes
Trustee Cook	Yes
Trustee Ehlert	Yes
Trustee Epperly	Yes
Trustee Griffin	Yes
Trustee Guzzardo	Absent

Motion carried. The following resolution was approved.

Resolution No. 06.3/9: Trustee Appreciation – Lorraine Epperson

WHEREAS Lorraine Epperson served as a Board of Governors of State Colleges and Universities Trustee from 1993-1995; and,

WHEREAS Mrs. Epperson was appointed to the Western Illinois University Board of Trustees in 1995; and,

ACTION ITEMS (CONTINUED)

Resolution No. 06.3/9: Trustee Appreciation – Lorraine Epperson (Continued)

WHEREAS Mrs. Epperson has conscientiously served the citizens of the State of Illinois as a member of the Western Illinois University Board of Trustees for the period of 1995 to February 2006; and,

WHEREAS Mrs. Epperson has provided exemplary service and brought pride to both the Board of Trustees and Western Illinois University by her contributions to higher education and to her alma mater; and,

WHEREAS Mrs. Epperson served the Board of Trustees as Chair of the Board from July 1998 to June 2000 and Chair of the Academic and Student Services Committee since 2001; and,

WHEREAS Mrs. Epperson was recognized by the WIU College of Business with a Distinguished Alumni Award in 1998, was a member of the Alumni Council for more than a decade and served as its President from 1977-1979, was the Board of Trustees representative to the WIU Foundation Board of Directors from 1993-present, had earned the Lifetime Diamond Award from the Illinois Association of Realtors; and,

WHEREAS Mrs. Epperson has been and will continue to be a special friend of the University, a relationship for which Western Illinois University is very grateful; and,

WHEREAS Mrs. Epperson's tenure on the Board ended on February 2, 2006:

THEREFORE be it resolved that the Board of Trustees extends its heartfelt appreciation and congratulations to Lorraine Epperson for the invaluable service she has provided to Western Illinois University, the Board of Trustees, and the State of Illinois.

INFORMATION REPORTS

Chair Houston stated that the Board received reports on a number of informational items during the committee meetings earlier. All of these items were discussed. Are there any further questions or discussions?

There being no further discussion, the Board received the following information reports:

Report No. 06.3/1: Purchases of $100,000 - $500,000 Receiving Presidential Approval
Report No. 06.3/2: FY2007 Appropriated Operating & Capital Budget Update
Report No. 06.3/3: Budget and Financial Data for Period Ended December 31, 2005
Report No. 06.3/4: Report on Investment Activities
Report No. 06.3/5: Report on Income Producing Grants and Contracts for the Second Quarter
Report No. 06.3/6: Annual Report on Financial Aid Programs

NEW BUSINESS

Chair Houston appointed Trustees Ehlert and Epperly to serve on the ad hoc Presidential Evaluation Committee to begin the process of President Goldfarb's annual evaluation. This may seem very quick but we wanted to move the evaluation process to the same time other University salary increases are considered. The process may be abbreviated from the approach we have used in the past since the time table has been moved. In the near future, Trustees Ehlert and Epperly will be making contact with the constituent groups and Vice Presidents to get their input.

Trustee Thomas noted that he has been speaking to Governmental Relations Liaison Dave Steelman about getting two student representatives on the Board—one from each campus. That will require a change in legislation. If there is no strong objection to that effort, I'll continue to work with Dave and President Goldfarb and student advisory groups on both campuses on this. I'll continue to seek trustee input as we go along.

Trustee Cook said it was his understanding that students on both campuses are eligible to nominate and vote in the process to elect a student trustee. In fact, Chris's immediate predecessor was elected via that process and was from the Quad Cities campus.

NEXT MEETING

Trustee Nelson said that he and Carolyn look forward to welcoming the Board to Moline for the next meeting. The next meeting will be June 2, 2006, at the Quad Cities campus.

There being no further business to come before the Board, a motion was made and duly processed to adjourn the meeting of the Board of Trustees at 2:53 P.M.

J. Michael Houston, Chair
William L. Epperly, Secretary
Kerry L. Yadgar, Administrative Assistant to the Board

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