The meeting of the Board of Trustees of Western Illinois University convened at 10:00 A.M. in the Capitol Rooms of the University Union, WIU – Macomb campus. Trustee J. Michael Houston, Chair, presided.

Chair Houston moved to convene the Board to Open Session. Trustee Nelson seconded the motion.

The following trustees were present to answer roll call:
Trustee Carolyn J. Ehlert Fuller (via teleconference)
Trustee William L. Epperly
Trustee Donald W. “Bill” Griffin (via teleconference)
Trustee J. Michael Houston
Trustee Steven L. Nelson
Trustee Christopher G. Bronson

Also present for the open meeting of the Board of Trustees:
Legal Counsel Representative Heidi Benson
Administrative Assistant to the Board Kerry Lemaster
President Al Goldfarb
Mrs. Elaine Goldfarb
Provost and Academic Vice President Jack Thomas
Dr. Linda Thomas
Vice President for Administrative Services Jackie Thompson
Vice President for Student Services W. Garry Johnson
Vice President for Quad Cities, Planning and Technology Joseph Rives
Vice President for Advancement and Public Services Brad Bainter

GENERAL DISCUSSION AND ACTION ITEMS

Chair Houston said Good Morning, it’s 10 o’clock so we’ll go ahead and get started. We have a little better crowd than we normally have for one of these meetings. I don’t remember a meeting where we’ve had standing room only.

Resolution No. 11.1/1: Engineering Services
Trustee Epperly moved to approve Resolution 11.1/1: Engineering Services. Trustee Nelson seconded the motion.

Roll Call
Trustee Ehlert Fuller  Yes (via teleconference)
Trustee Epperly  Yes
Trustee Griffin  Yes (via teleconference)
Trustee Houston  Yes
Trustee Nelson  Yes
Trustee Bronson  Yes

Motion Carried.
Resolution:

WHEREAS Western Illinois University has a need for the services of an engineer for the design and construction administration for the renewal of the University’s heating plant and campus steam lines; and,

WHEREAS the above mentioned project has been administered in accordance with the Illinois Procurement Code, the Architectural, Engineering and Land Surveying Qualifications Based Selection Act and all other pertinent statutes and rules:

THEREFORE be it resolved that the Board of Trustees approves the awarding of a contract for engineering services from the elected firm presented.

ITEM DESCRIPTION: The professional engineering services contract for the design and construction administration for the renewal of the University heating plant and campus steam lines was approved at the March 2010 Board of Trustees meeting.

The University is requesting approval to modify the scope of work as follows: additional design which would extend primary steam and condensate services to Thompson Hall and the North Quad and from Simpkins Hall to Corbin and Olson Halls; design of steam vault structures and an access tunnel; pipe stress analysis of new and existing steam and steam condensate piping; provision of drawings for site improvements; and, design for sump pumps.

The original award was approved at $892,900 plus reimbursable expenses. The University is requesting the approval of an additional $350,000.

COST: $1,242,900 estimated plus reimbursable expenses

RECOMMENDED VENDOR: Affiliated Engineers, Inc.; Madison, WI

FUND SOURCE: Local and appropriated

SUMMARY OF BIDS: Proposals were solicited and awarded in accordance with the Architectural, Engineering and Land Surveying Qualifications Based Selection Act, 30 ILCS 540/.

Resolution No. 11.1/2: Presidential Appointment
Trustee Bronson moved to approve Resolution No. 11.1/2: Presidential Appointment. Trustee Nelson seconded the motion.

Chair Houston read the resolution aloud. Chair Houston said we are going to do a press conference here in a few minutes once we rearrange some tables and things. And, we will hear from Jack, in terms of some comments, but right now we extend our congratulations. Also, we want to thank the search committee. Dennis, I want to thank you as co-chair and Bill as co-chair for the job that you have done. We are very confident that Jack is going to carry on in the tradition that Al has established, in terms of
moving the University to a new level of excellence. And, we’re all very excited to have this process completed.

Roll Call
Trustee Ehlert Fuller Yes (via teleconference)
Trustee Epperly Yes
Trustee Griffin Yes (via teleconference)
Trustee Houston Yes
Trustee Nelson Yes
Trustee Bronson Yes

Motion Carried.

Resolution:

WHEREAS in June 2009 Dr. Alvin Goldfarb announced his July 2011 retirement as President of Western Illinois University; and,

WHEREAS a consulting firm was in place by December 2009; Presidential Search Committee was in place by April 2010; applications for the position of president were received; 10 applicants were interviewed in October 2010; of those, the Presidential Search Committee forwarded the names of 5 candidates to the Board of Trustees for consideration and invitation for campus interviews in November and December 2010; and,

WHEREAS the Board of Trustees met, chose, extended an offer, and received acceptance:

THEREFORE be it resolved that the Dr. Jack Thomas be appointed President of Western Illinois University as of July 1, 2011.

NEXT MEETING

Chair Houston pointed out that the next regularly scheduled meeting will be March 25, 2011, here in Macomb.

There being no further business to come before the Board, a motion was made and duly processed to adjourn the meeting of the Board at 10:03 A.M.

J. Michael Houston, Chair
Kerry L. Lemaster, Administrative Assistant to the Board