

SEC Meeting  
Faculty Regent's Report  
May 2, 2016

### **Update on Presidential Search**

- Hired search firm – Isaacson-Miller (working with Michael Baer & Daniel Rodas)
- Next step: Search Committee meeting with Isaacson-Miller reps to develop institutional profile and criteria for next President

### **BOR MEETING – April 22**

#### **Academic Committee:**

Degree and Certificate program approvals

MS Child and Family Studies

Grad. Certificates: Measurement, Evaluation & Research  
Business Core Competencies

Undergrad. Cert.: Applied Data Analytics

Grad/Undergr Cert Brewing & Distilling

Faculty Emeriti Dr. William Pfohl & Dr. Christopher Wagner

WKU Pathways Discussion: Will be in place in Fall, 2016 (to be developed)

Will report to Provost – Coordinator: Eric Reed

Dr. Burch indicated that the President's projections of Recapturing the loss of Navitas students is uncertain, and at best, would require the expense of paying agents to acquire the students.

#### **Executive Committee**

Changes in compensation for coaches

Coach Brohm – increase to \$800,000 - thru HAF funding guarantee

Changes in liquidated damages if terminated without cause

New basketball coach – same base (500,000), with generous

incentives based on performance and revenue generated.

AD Todd Steward – same base salary but significant increase in incentives. Dr. Burch commented that she had difficulty seeing that 'achieving a balanced budget' was worthy of an incentive payment, since that is an expectation of everyone who has responsibility for a budget.

#### **Finance & Budget Committee**

Received audit statements for Radio/TV and NCAA Compliance on Procedures

2<sup>nd</sup> quarter budget report and personnel actions

Voted to draw down reserve in amount of 1.493 M. It will be replaced during the coming AY

Report from Frankfort by Robbin Taylor

The funding of 'free community college' has been postponed for next year; much to be clarified on this.

Dual credit funding needs clarification.

Performance funding: Will take 5% of our base in 17-18; 15% in 18-19; and 25% in 19-20. We will be eligible to earn

Equity funding for WKU – will receive for one year (1/2 of originally Proposed amt. 2.6 M)

### **BUDGET DISCUSSION**

Where the monies come from is important to consider. There was concern expressed over further obligation of DELO revenue. Provost Lee indicated that his intent was that these funds would be returned to the DELO account over the next five years.

Provost Lee indicated that the deans were aware of and anticipated the position cuts.

Dr. Burch explained that re the faculty benefit for children being aligned with KEES would not affect the dollars, but would limit the number of semesters of funding, similar to KEES. (information obtained from Ms. Mead).

Dr. Burch indicated that the cost of renovations of GCC would be paid for with revenue from the new food services contract, and some from DELO). This building obligation would run contrary to the most recent Senate resolution that any building expenditures should be funded totally by the State. Question this raises: Is this the highest priority need at this time for use of the funds?

Regent Burch also expressed some concern over the amount of dollars that have been pre-obligated out of DELO revenues. These are substantial and may require DELO to dip into reserve funds. DELO anticipates some loss of revenue from the university added assessment for online learning fees for FT students. DELO has also set aside monies for the anticipated DUC renovations.

The President and Provost Lee have indicated that Enrollment Management, including International Enrollment Management, will be reporting to the Provost effective July 1, 2016.

Disappointment was expressed that the Student Legal Services support that had been promised to the SGA a year ago, in exchange for their support for the new parking structure, was not forthcoming. The President indicated that it had been made available this year under the office of the university legal counsel, and had not been utilized. This does not come as a surprise as discussions last year made clear that for the program to be successful, it needed to operate independently from the office of the university legal counsel.