

University of Central Missouri
Board of Governors
Special Plenary Session
December 7, 2011

The University of Central Missouri (UCM) Board of Governors convened a special Plenary Session via conference call on Wednesday, December 7, 2011, at 10:30 a.m. The call originated from ADM 204 on UCM's main campus in Warrensburg, Missouri. Participating in the meeting from ADM 204 were Board President Walter Hicklin and Board members Weldon Brady, Mary Dandurand, and Darren Doherty. Participating by phone were Board members Marvin E. Wright, Mary Long, Gus Wetzel II, and Edward Baker. Also in attendance at the meeting (from ADM 204) were University President Charles Ambrose; General Counsel Henry Setser; Assistant Secretary to the Board Monica Huffman; and other staff members including George Wilson, John Merrigan, Jim Graham, Kathy Anderson, Victoria Hughes, Michael Wright, Doug Thomas, and Jeff Murphy. ??? from the *Daily Star Journal* was also in attendance.

Call to Order – Agenda Item No. 1

Mr. Hicklin called the meeting to order and asked for a roll call. He determined that a quorum was present to conduct business.

Charter Schools Applications – Agenda Item No. 2

Dr. Hughes referred the Board to a briefing paper previously distributed to the Board (Attachment 1). She noted that the request for approval of a charter agreement with Seton High School is being deferred to a future meeting so that it has time to complete its 501(c)3 application and formulate a governing board.

Dr. Hughes reviewed background information related to the Eason Academy, which will serve grades K-5. The Board discussed UCM's costs in providing sponsorship of the school(s). Dr. Hughes explained that there is no cost to the University to provide oversight of the schools and Dr. Wright added that UCM's Charter Schools Office receives \$400,000 per year for sponsorship that pays staff salaries. Mr. Wright asked if UCM's Charter School Office has the appropriate number of staff to oversee the schools. Drs. Hughes and Wright responded that it may be necessary to add an additional staff person. Staffing patterns will be reviewed in the coming months and necessary adjustments will be made. There was discussion of the required approvals for sponsorship and noted that final approval lies with UCM's Board of Governors.

Dr. Long asked if the Board could review the credentials of Eason and Crossroads Academies board members. Dr. Hughes said that she would make electronic files available to the Board.

Mr. Wright moved that the Board of Governors approve UCM's sponsorship of Eason Academy opening August 2012. The motion was seconded by Ms. Dandurand and carried with the following roll call vote:

<i>Marvin E. Wright</i>	<i>aye</i>	<i>Mary Dandurand</i>	<i>aye</i>
<i>Mary Long</i>	<i>aye</i>	<i>Gus Wetzel</i>	<i>aye</i>
<i>Weldon Brady</i>	<i>aye</i>	<i>Walter Hicklin</i>	<i>aye</i>
<i>Edward Baker</i>	<i>aye</i>		

Dr. Hughes reviewed information contained in the briefing paper related to Crossroads Academy of Kansas City. Following her presentation, Mr. Wright moved that the Board of Governors approve UCM's sponsorship of Crossroads Academy of Kansas City opening August 2012. The motion was seconded by Dr. Wetzel and carried with the following roll call vote:

<i>Marvin E. Wright</i>	<i>aye</i>	<i>Mary Dandurand</i>	<i>aye</i>
<i>Mary Long</i>	<i>aye</i>	<i>Gus Wetzel</i>	<i>aye</i>
<i>Weldon Brady</i>	<i>aye</i>	<i>Walter Hicklin</i>	<i>aye</i>
<i>Edward Baker</i>	<i>aye</i>		

Dr. Hughes will work with General Counsel Setser in regard to the charter schools agreements.

Network Infrastructure Upgrade – Agenda Item No. 2

Dr. Graham reviewed technical information contained in a briefing paper previously provided to the Board related to the Network Infrastructure Upgrade (Attachment 2). Following his review, Mr. Merrigan reviewed the funding source and the estimated costs of the upgrade. UCM was able to utilize a state contract with World Wide Technology and was further able to obtain additional savings amounting to nearly \$1 million as a result of a CISCO volume discount. President Ambrose added that this upgrade will provide the service students want and meet their expectations and needs.

Dr. Long moved that the Board of Governors authorize the University to move forward with the acquisition and deployment of a Cisco Systems network infrastructure upgrade via a proposal submitted by World Wide Technologies. The motion was seconded by Mr. Wright and carried with the following roll call vote:

<i>Marvin E. Wright</i>	<i>aye</i>	<i>Mary Dandurand</i>	<i>aye</i>
<i>Mary Long</i>	<i>aye</i>	<i>Gus Wetzel</i>	<i>aye</i>
<i>Weldon Brady</i>	<i>aye</i>	<i>Walter Hicklin</i>	<i>aye</i>
<i>Edward Baker</i>	<i>aye</i>		

Dr. Graham provided an update on UCM's transition to Google Apps, which will occur on December 15. He noted that a Google Apps account will be established for each Board member in preparation for the distribution of iPads to the Board. He added that training will be provided to the Board on the use of the iPads and Google Apps in January.

Intercollegiate Women's Golf – Agenda Item No. 3

Ms. Anderson reviewed information contained in a briefing paper (Attachment 3) related to the establishment of Women's Intercollegiate Golf for the 2012-2013 academic year, which is expected to generate approximately \$37,155 per year in net revenue.

Mr. Brady moved that the Board of Governors approve the addition of Women's Intercollegiate Golf for the 2012-2013 academic year. The motion was seconded by Mr. Wright and carried with the following roll call vote:

<i>Marvin E. Wright</i>	<i>aye</i>	<i>Mary Dandurand</i>	<i>aye</i>
<i>Mary Long</i>	<i>aye</i>	<i>Gus Wetzel</i>	<i>aye</i>
<i>Weldon Brady</i>	<i>aye</i>	<i>Walter Hicklin</i>	<i>aye</i>
<i>Edward Baker</i>	<i>aye</i>		

Schematic Design & Associate Project Costs – Lee's Summit Facility – Agenda Item No. 5

Mr. Setser discussed the schematic design and associated project costs related to a UCM Innovation Campus in Lee's Summit, Missouri. The information presented was included in a briefing paper distributed earlier to the Board (Attachment 4). Mr. Setser noted that a kick-off meeting for Rapid Response Teams (RRT) whose work will contribute to the development of UCM's student-centered program will be held next week. A series of meetings related to academic/space planning will follow the RRT meetings.

President Ambrose shared outcomes from a meeting with Governor Nixon held last week that included the Department of Economic Development working with Exergonix to identify capital for construction of the campus and appointing his education advisor Mike Nietzel as the point person to make this an educational priority for the State.

Habitat for Humanity Project – Agenda Item No. 6

President Ambrose said the University has received a lot of positive feedback related to the Habitat for Humanity educational project that UCM and the R-6 School District are working on together. He recently invited Cabinet members to engage in the project through personal contributions and extended the same invitation to Board members.

Other – Agenda Item No. 7

There was no other business to discuss.

Request for Closed Session – December 7, 2011 – Agenda Item No. 8

Ms. Dandurand moved that pursuant to the Missouri Revised Statutes, Section 610.021, that the UCM Board of Governors meet in closed meeting, with closed record and closed vote, for the purpose of considering real estate matters, legal actions, and/or personnel matters. The motion was seconded by Mr. Brady and carried with the following roll call vote:

<i>Marvin E. Wright</i>	<i>aye</i>	<i>Mary Dandurand</i>	<i>aye</i>
<i>Mary Long</i>	<i>aye</i>	<i>Gus Wetzel</i>	<i>aye</i>
<i>Weldon Brady</i>	<i>aye</i>	<i>Walter Hicklin</i>	<i>aye</i>
<i>Edward Baker</i>	<i>aye</i>		

Adjournment

Ms. Dandurand moved that the meeting adjourn. The motion was seconded by Mr. Wright and carried with the following roll call vote:

<i>Marvin E. Wright</i>	<i>aye</i>	<i>Mary Dandurand</i>	<i>aye</i>
<i>Mary Long</i>	<i>aye</i>	<i>Gus Wetzel</i>	<i>aye</i>
<i>Weldon Brady</i>	<i>aye</i>	<i>Walter Hicklin</i>	<i>aye</i>
<i>Edward Baker</i>	<i>aye</i>		

The meeting adjourned at 11:00 a.m.

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Attachments Listing**

<u>Attachment No.</u>	<u>Attachment Description</u>
1	<i>Briefing Paper – Charter Schools Application</i>
2	<i>Briefing Paper – Network Infrastructure Upgrade</i>
3	<i>Briefing Paper – Addition of Intercollegiate Women’s Golf for 2012-2013 Academic Year</i>
4	<i>Briefing Paper – Schematic Design & Associated Project Costs – Lee’s Summit Facility</i>