University of Central Missouri Board of Governors Plenary Session March 21, 2024

The University of Central Missouri (UCM) Board of Governors convened in Plenary Session on March 21, 2024, at 1:30 p.m. in Union 237B on UCM's main campus in Warrensburg, Missouri. Presiding over the meeting was Board President Kenneth Weymuth. Others participating in the meeting from Union 237B were Governors Stephen Abney, Gus Wetzel II, John Collier, Mary Dandurand, Phyllis Chase, Stu Rogers, and Hadley Oden, as well as University President Roger Best; General Counsel Lindsay Chapman; Assistant Board Secretary Monica Huffman; and Ms. Kristen Plummer.

Note: Prior to the start of the Plenary Session, Board members toured the Michael Hough Counseling Center (LOV 2250) and THRIVE Program Area (LOV 1330).

Call to Order - Agenda Item No. 1

Mr. Weymuth called the meeting to order and determined a quorum was present to conduct business.

Remarks by the Board President – Agenda Item No. 2

Mr. Weymuth welcomed everyone to the Board meeting and commented on the impressive nature of the facilities the Board saw during their tour of the Michael Hough Counseling Center and THRIVE Program area. Mr. Weymuth shared that the Board was impressed and encouraged by the amount of work that went into the preparation for the Higher Learning Commission (HLC) site visit this week and expressed thanks to everyone who prepared for and participated in the visit.

Remarks by the University President – Agenda Item No. 3

President Best congratulated Mr. Collier on the birth of his grandson and expressed his thanks to everyone who participated in the HLC site visit. President Best stated the first draft of the HLC report will be provided on April 1, 2024, and an update to campus will follow. He noted the HLC team expressed they were impressed with the level of organization and participation. President Best congratulated the 21 individuals who were approved for promotion and/or tenure for the next academic year. He also noted eight individuals have been approved for academic leave during the next academic year.

Recognition of Governor's Excellence in Education Award Recipient - Agenda Item No. 4

President Best introduced the 2024 Governor's Excellence in Education Award Recipient, Dr. Janice Putnam. A video highlighting Dr. Putnam's service to the university and students was shown followed by the presentation of a plaque to Dr. Putnam by Board President Weymuth and President Best.

Emeritus Status Requests and Recognitions – Agenda Item No. 5

President Best said the following individuals qualify for emeritus status in accordance with the revised BOG Policy 2.1.070 – *Privileges Extended to Emeriti and Retired Employees* (Attachment 1).

- Ms. Cathy Clear (October 3, 2005 July 31, 2016), Library Assistant V
- Ms. Monica Huffman (November 1, 1999 March 31, 2024), Executive Assistant to the President/Assistant Board Secretary

Mr. Rogers moved that the Board of Governors approve emeritus status for Cathy Clear and Monica Huffman. The motion was seconded by Mr. Abney and carried unanimously. Photographs were taken of Board President Weymuth and President Best presenting Ms. Clear and Ms. Huffman with a Certificate of Recognition.

<u>Plenary Session</u>

Consent Agenda – Agenda Item No. 6

Mr. Weymuth asked for a motion to approve the following Consent Agenda items:

<u>Action</u>

- January 25, 2024, Plenary Session and March 4, 2024, Special Open Session Minutes;
- A three (3) year contract with Taymar Sales U with an option for two (2), two (2) year contract renewals for Athletics Multimedia Rights and Ticket Sales (Attachment 2); and
- A new five (5) year contract with Knowledge 2 Ideas (K2I) to provide workforce development noncredit course support services to UCM with an expected annual support services cost of \$260,000 per year totaling approximately \$1,300,000 (Attachment 3)

Information

- Spring 2024 Census Enrollment Report (Attachment 4); and
- Promotions and Tenure (Attachment 5)

Dr. Wetzel moved that the Board of Governors approve the items listed under the Consent Agenda. The motion was seconded by Mr. Collier and carried unanimously.

<u>Reports/Updates</u>

Written Governance Groups Reports – Agenda Item No. 7

Mr. Weymuth noted the Written Governance Groups Reports were included in the meeting packet under Tab 9 (Attachment 6).

Legislative Update – Agenda Item No. 8

Mr. David Pearce, Executive Director for Governmental Relations, distributed two handouts and provided a legislative update (Attachment 7) that included the following information –

<u>Federal</u>

- The House is scheduled to vote on six spending bills, which will be sent to the Senate to avoid a government shutdown this weekend.
- President Best and Mr. Pearce traveled to Washington, D.C. March 12-14, 2024, and met with Senator Eric Schmitt; Congressman Mark Alford; Congressman and Chairman of the Committee on Ways and Means Jason Smith; and staff members from the offices of Senator Hawley and Congressmen Graves, Cleaver, Burlison, and Luetkemeyer. They also had the opportunity to visit with different organizations including the American Association of State Colleges and Universities (AASCU); Council on Opportunity for Education (COE), and Dr. Nasser Paydar, Assistant Secretary for Postsecondary Education in the Department of Education. These meetings included discussion on enrollment; delay in the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) rollout; and the recent ruling of the National Labor Relations Board decision to allow students to unionize and the concept of student-athletes becoming student employees. President Best and Mr. Pearce also participated in a tour of the Pentagon hosted by an alumna and the MuleNation Washington, D.C. event hosted by the Alumni Foundation.
- Mr. Pearce attended AASCU on the Hill in February 2024 where he had a chance to meet with Congressman Alford; Senator Schmitt; Mariah Morales, the National Director of Amtrak Government Relations; and Congressman Sam Grave's office along with the Missouri Military Advocate.

<u>State</u>

- The appointments of Governors Chase, Rogers, and Oden have been confirmed.
- The filing period for bills is over and 2,556 bills have been filed in both the House and Senate.
- The university is tracking the following bills:
 - HB 2905 establishes a funding formula for higher education. If this were to go into effect, it probably would not be until 2026. COPHE has testified in support of the bill.
 - HB 2166 and SB 1322 identical bills that provide educational assistance for the Missouri National Guard. Additional work is needed on these bills to define what is a fee.
 - HB 2310 modifies the Higher Education Curriculum Transfer Act to increase the number of hours that can automatically transfer from a community college to a four-year institution from 42 hours to 60 hours
 - $\circ~$ SB 1401 establishes a cap on what institutions pay for MOSER's contributions to 28%
- House Budget Chairman Cody Smith has reduced Governor Parson's budget recommendation for a 3% increase in core funding for higher education to 2%. Mr. Pearce will be in Jefferson City to monitor the budget markup process, and if the 2% recommendation is approved in the

House, the university will work very hard with the Senate to try to restore the recommendation to 3%.

Mr. Pearce shared there are currently five UCM students serving as interns in the Missouri State Capitol. He ended his report by sharing events he and others participated in since the last meeting, as well as some future events.

In follow up to Mr. Pearce's report, President Best noted the change from the Governor's 3% recommendation for appropriations to 2% would result in a loss of about \$650,000, which is why it is critical to advocate for the restoration to 3% on the Senate side.

<u>University Update</u> – Agenda Item No. 9

President Best introduced Bailey Dyer, the new administrative assistant for the Office of the President. He reported the Office of Admissions and Student Financial Services teams are prepared to begin processing financial aid award letters on April 17, assuming the data is received and all updates are completed. It will take approximately a week to prepare and mail 6,000 letters to students. President Best highlighted recent campus events including the General Faculty Meeting, Pastries with the President, and departmental meetings where he has had the opportunity to engage with faculty and staff.

University Metrics Report – Agenda Item No. 10

President Best reviewed highlights from the University Metrics Report included under Tab 10 of the meeting materials (Attachment 8) noting that the numbers focus on the spring semester. He pointed out the increase in staff shown on the Full-time Faculty/Staff Headcount chart is a reflection of already budgeted staff positions that have been vacant for a while and are now filled. The Fall to Spring Persistence Rate indicates improvements in first-time full-time for all three categories of undergraduate, new transfer, and graduate students. The Student to Faculty/Staff Ratio is based on headcount numbers, not FTE numbers. President Best shared additional metrics will be included in future reports to show credit hours generated per FTE type measures in order for the Board to see some of the productivity side of what happens at the university.

Board Committee on Student Engagement and University Advancement

Ms. Dandurand, Chair of the Board Committee on Student Engagement and University Advancement, invited Ms. Courtney Goddard to present the following item.

UCM Comprehensive Campaign – Agenda Item No. 11

Ms. Goddard referred the Board to Tab 11 of the meeting packet which contained the background information on management's recommendation for the Board to approve the UCM Alumni Foundation to launch a \$50 million comprehensive campaign beginning on July 1, 2024 (Attachment 9).

Mr. Collier moved that the Board of Governors approve the UCM Alumni Foundation to launch a \$50 million comprehensive campaign beginning July 1, 2024. The motion was seconded by Dr. Wetzel and carried unanimously.

Board Committee on Academic Affairs

Dr. Wetzel, Chair of the Board Committee on Academic Affairs, said the Committee met earlier in the day where the Office of Admissions presented on enrollment and plans for the upcoming year.

Board Committee on Finance and Administration

Mr. Collier, Chair of the Board Committee on Finance and Administration, reported the Committee met earlier in the day and asked Mr. Hawley to present the following agenda items, which were discussed in detail during the Committee meeting.

Central Missouri Police Academy (CMPA) Rate Increase - Agenda Item No. 12

Mr. Hawley referred the Board to Tab 12 of the meeting packet which contained background information on management's recommendation to increase the CMPA Program rate from \$6,210 to \$6,560 per cadet effective with the start of the Summer 2024 Academy, which is expected to begin on July 8, 2024 (Attachment 10).

Mr. Abney moved that the Board of Governors approve the increase in the CMPA Program rate from \$6,210 to \$6,560 per cadet effective with the start of the Summer 2024 Academy (expected July 8, 2024). The motion was seconded by Ms. Dandurand and carried unanimously.

Kodály Certification Workshop Tuition Structure – Agenda Item No. 13

Mr. Hawley referred the Board to Tab 13 of the meeting materials which contained proposed information for a new tuition structure for the Kodály Certification Workshop (Attachment 11) that would become effective for Summer 2024 for the following Kodály Certifications Levels – 1-3:

- MUS 5350 Kodály Methods and Materials I (3)
- MUS 5351 Kodály Solfege I (2)
- MUS 5352 Kodály Choral Techniques I (1)
- MUS 5360 Kodály Methods and Materials II (3)
- MUS 5361 Kodály Solfege II (2)
- MUS 5362 Kodály Choral Techniques II (1)
- MUS 5370 Kodály Methods and Materials III (3)
- MUS 5371 Kodály Solfege III (2)
- MUS 5372 Kodály Choral Techniques III (1)

The proposed new tuition structure for Kodály Certification Workshop is as follows:

• All participants will pay a workshop fee of \$799.

- Based on the participant's preferences, graduate credit will be available from 1 6 credit hours offered at the Board approved Limited Cost tuition rate.
- Graduate credit offered at the Limited Cost tuition rate is applicable toward a UCM Master of Arts in Music degree and other UCM graduate degree programs as appropriate.

Mr. Collier moved that the Board of Governors approve the new Kodály Certification Workshop tuition structure effective Summer 2024. The motion was seconded by Dr. Wetzel and carried unanimously.

AY 2025 Student Instructional Tuition and General Fees – Agenda Item No. 14

Mr. Hawley referred the Board to Tab 14 of the meeting materials which contained the proposed AY 2025 student instructional tuition and general fees (Attachment 12). *Mr. Abney moved that the Board of Governors approve the following AY 2025 rates for student instructional tuition and student general fees as itemized in Attachments I and II. The motion was seconded by Mr. Collier and carried unanimously.*

ATTACHMENT I University of Central Missouri AY 2025 Student Instructional Rates Presented to the Board of Governors on March 21, 2024

Description	AY 2024 Per Credit Hour (Book)	AY 2025 Per Credit Hour (Book)	\$ Change Per Credit Hour AY 2025 – AY 2024 (Book)	Percent Change
Warrensburg On-Campus ¹				
Undergraduate				
Resident ²	\$277.50	\$285.00	\$7.50	2.7%
Non-Resident ²	\$555.00	\$570.00	\$15.00	2.7%
Graduate				
Resident ^{2,5}	\$356.00	\$366.50	\$10.50	2.9%
Non-Resident ^{2,5}	\$712.00	\$733.00	\$21.00	2.9%
On-Line and Hybrid ⁸				
Undergraduate ²	\$277.50	\$285.00	\$7.50	2.7%
Graduate ^{2,5}	\$413.50	\$425.00	\$11.50	2.8%
On-line Ph.D. ²	\$470.50	\$484.00	\$13.50	2.9%
UCM-Lee's Summit ⁸				
Undergraduate ²	\$277.50	\$285.00	\$7.50	2.7%
Graduate ^{2,5}	\$413.50	\$425.00	\$11.50	2.8%
Missouri Innovation Campus Program-UG ²	\$277.50	\$285.00	\$7.50	2.7%
Whiteman ⁸				
Undergraduate				
Resident ²	\$277.50	\$285.00	\$7.50	2.7%
Non-Resident ²	\$555.00	\$570.00	\$15.00	2.7%
Graduate	\$000.00	<i>Q070.00</i>	\$10.00	2.170
Resident ^{2,5}	\$356.00	\$366.50	\$10.50	2.9%
Non-Resident ^{2,5}	\$712.00	\$733.00	\$21.00	2.9%
Business Graduate ^{2,6,7,8} (All Locations and Modes)	\$499.50	\$515.00	\$15.50	3.1%
CIS/CS Graduate ^{2,6,8,10} (All Locations/Modes)	\$464.00	\$477.00	\$13.00	2.8%
Extended Studies ⁸				
Cohort Undergraduate Rate ³	\$283.15	\$288.75	\$5.60	2.0%
Cohort Graduate Rate ³	\$413.50	\$425.00	\$11.50	2.8%
Dual Credit and Dual Enrollment ⁴	\$99.00	\$99.50	\$.50	0.5%
Entrepreneurial Undergraduate ²	\$277.50	\$285.00	\$7.50	2.7%
Entrepreneurial Graduate ^{2,5}	\$356.00	\$366.50	\$10.50	2.9%
Professional Development ⁴	\$57.00	\$58.50	\$1.50	2.6%
Limited Cost ⁴	\$138.00	\$142.50	\$4.50	3.3%
Description	AY 2024 Per Student	AY 2025 Per Student	\$ Change Per Student AY 2025 – AY 2024	Percent Change
Central Missouri Police Academy ⁹	\$6,210.00	\$6,560.00	\$350.00	5.6%

Notes:

¹Warrensburg on-campus rates are also applicable to Air Force ROTC courses in Columbia, Missouri. These courses are identified in the Banner System with a campus code of CLM.

²Subject to all student general fees.

³Subject only to the technology fee.

⁴Student general fees are not applicable.

⁵Excludes Business Graduate, CIS Graduate, and CS Graduate Programs.

⁶Non-resident fees, if applicable, will be waived.

⁷Includes School of Business Administration prefixes ACCT, BLAW, CIS, ECON, FIN, MKT, ESE, BADM, RMI, HRM, HM, MBA, and MGT for graduate-credit except for CIS.

⁸Other course fees and/or program fees may apply.

⁹Per student rate includes student instructional and mandatory fees, and other program fees.

¹⁰Includes CS, CIS, SE, CYBR, and DSA prefixes.

ATTACHMENT II University of Central Missouri AY 2025 Student General Fees Presented to the Board of Governors on March 21, 2024

	Academic Year 2024		Academic Year 2025	
Fee Description	Per Credit Hour (<9 Hrs)	Flat Rate (9+ Credit Hrs)	Per Credit Hour (<9 Hrs)	Flat Rate (9+ Credit Hrs)
Athletic	\$6.40	\$96.00	\$8.45	\$126.75
Facilities	\$7.40	\$111.00	\$7.80	\$117.00
Pertle Springs	\$2.15	\$32.25	\$2.20	\$33.00
Student Activity	\$2.30	\$34.50	\$2.35	\$35.25
Technology	\$5.95	\$89.25	\$6.20	\$93.00
University Union	\$8.85	\$132.75	\$8.90	\$133.50
Sub-Total	\$33.05	\$495.75	\$35.90	\$538.50
Health Services	\$3.00	\$45.00	\$3.10	\$46.50
Student Rec Center (Student Approved)	\$10.95	\$164.25	\$11.00	\$165.00
Total Student General Fees	\$47.00	\$705.00	\$50.00	\$750.00

AY 2024-2025 Room and Board Rates - Agenda Item No. 15

Mr. Hawley referred the Board to Tab 15 of the meeting materials for the proposed AY 2024-2025 room and board rates (Attachment 13). *Governor Collier moved that the Board of Governors approve the following room and board rates for the 2024-2025 Academic Year. The motion was seconded by Ms. Dandurand and carried unanimously.*

	2023-2024 Rate	2024-2025 Recommended Rate	\$ Change	% Change
Double Occupancy	\$3,169.00	\$3,264.00	\$95.00	3.00%
Single Occupancy	\$3,846.00	\$3,959.00	\$115.00	2.99%
Silver Plan (meal)	\$1,934.00	\$2,016.00	\$95.00	4.24%
Gold Plan (meal)	\$2,027.00	\$2,106.00	\$79.00	3.90%
Platinum Plan (meal)	\$2,227.00	\$2,306.00	\$79.00	3.55%
Silver Plan + Double Occupancy	\$5,103.00	\$5,280.00	\$177.00	3.47%
Gold Plan + Double Occupancy	\$5,196.00	\$5,370.00	\$174.00	3.35%
Platinum Plan + Double Occupancy	\$5,396.00	\$5,570.00	\$174.00	3.22%
Foster/Knox/Nickerson (furnished and utilities included)	\$825.00	\$850.00	\$25.00	3.03%
Todd 1 bedroom (furnished and utilities included)	\$825.00	\$850.00	\$25.00	3.03%
Todd 2 bedroom (furnished and utilities included)	\$1,014.00	\$1,044.00	\$30.00	2.96%
Central Village 1 bedroom (unfurnished, residents pay gas and electric)	\$674.00	\$694.00	\$20.00	2.97%
Central Village 2 bedroom (unfurnished, residents pay gas and electric)	\$813.00	\$837.00	\$24.00	2.95%
Central Village 3 bedroom (unfurnished, residents pay gas and electric)	\$971.00	\$1,000.00	\$29.00	2.99%
Greenwood Park 2 bedroom (unfurnished, residents pay gas and electric)	\$887.00	\$913.00	\$26.00	2.93%
The Crossing 4 bedroom (furnished and utilities included)	\$657.00	\$677.00	\$20.00	3.04%
The Crossing 4 bedroom garden (furnished and utilities included)	\$657.00	\$677.00	\$20.00	3.04%
The Crossing 2 bedroom (furnished and utilities included)	\$767.00	\$790.00	\$23.00	3.00%

Expansion of UCM Bound Out-of-State Scholarship Qualifying States – Agenda Item No. 16

Mr. Hawley referred the Board to Tab 16 of the meeting materials in which management recommended the Board approve the expansion of the current automatic granting of a scholarship equal to the non-resident portion of tuition to include residents of Louisiana and Mississippi (Attachment 14).

Ms. Dandurand moved that the Board of Governors approve the expansion of the UCM Bound Out-of-State Scholarship to include residents of the states of Louisiana and Mississippi. The motion was seconded by Dr. Wetzel and carried unanimously.

Arts Programs Fee – Agenda Item No. 17

Mr. Hawley referred the Board to Tab 17 of the meeting materials in which management recommended a new fee for all visual and performing arts prefix courses and the removal of the existing \$100 fee on private music lessons (Attachment 15).

Dr. Chase moved that the Board of Governors approve (1) a new program fee of \$18 per credit hour for all visual and performing arts prefix courses (ART, DANC, MUS, THEA) and (2) the removal of the existing \$100 fee on private music lessons. The motion was seconded by Mr. Rogers and carried unanimously.

<u>Board Business</u>

Appointment of Assistant Secretary to the Board – Agenda Item No. 18

Mr. Abney moved that the Board of Governors appoint Kristen Plummer Assistant Secretary to the Board. The motion was seconded by Mr. Collier and carried unanimously.

Other Business – Agenda Item No. 19

There was no other business to discuss.

Request for Closed Session - March 21, 2024 - Agenda Item No. 20

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

Gus Wetzel	ауе	John Collier	aye
Stephen Abney	ауе	Mary Dandurand	aye
Phyllis Chase	aye	Ken Weymuth	aye
Stu Rogers	aye		

Adjourn – Agenda Item No. 21

The Board concluded Plenary Session at 2:16 p.m. Following the conclusion of Closed Session, the Board returned to Plenary Session at 3:16 p.m., and *Mr. Collier made a motion for adjournment. The motion was seconded by Mr. Abney and carried unanimously.* The Board adjourned at 3:17 p.m.

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