

The University of West Alabama
BOARD OF TRUSTEES
Monday, September 11, 2000, 10:00 a.m.

A G E N D A

- I. Call to Order
- II. Roll Call
- III. Approval of Minutes
- IV. President's Report
- V. Report from SGA
- VI. Report from Faculty Senate
- VII. Committee Reports
 - ◆ Budget and Finance Committee
 - ◆ Athletic Committee
- VIII. Academic Affairs
 - ◆ Handbook for Faculty and Professional Staff
 - ◆ Accreditation Update
 - ◆ Report from College of Natural Sciences and Mathematics
- IX. Report from Student Affairs
- X. Adjournment

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Board of Trustees
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Student Union Building**

I. CALL TO ORDER

Mr. Terry Bunn, Chairman *pro tem*, called the meeting to order and welcomed everyone to the meeting.

II. ROLL CALL

Mr. Bunn requested Mr. Raiford Noland to call the roll. Members present were:

Mr. Terry Bunn
Dr. Louise Nolen
Mr. Alex Saad
Dr. Tom Umphrey
Mr. Nat Watkins

Absent: Mr. Dwight Duke, Ms. Lena Hardaway, Mr. Bobby Keahey, Mr. Frank McGough, Mr. Preston Minus, Dr. Doris Oliveira, Mr. John Smith, and Mr. Thed Spree

After Mr. Noland called the roll, he stated a quorum was not present.

Mr. Bunn stated that the main purpose of the meeting today was to consider and/or approve a budget for the upcoming fiscal year. He also stated that it is crucial to the institution that a budget is passed, and he apologized that there were not enough trustees present to take up the business of the University. He said the meeting would be adjourned to the second Monday in December, and that he would ask the Executive Committee to approve the budget. He further stated that the remainder of the meeting will be according to the agenda, but no action could be taken.

III. APPROVAL OF MINUTES FROM LAST MEETING

No action taken.

IV. PRESIDENT'S REPORT

President Roach reported that the freshman enrollment is up from last year the number of new students has declined slightly, and the graduate enrollment has increased. The total enrollment is 1907 compared to 1970 from last year.

Dr. Roach introduced Ms. Tahomah Bell, recipient of the Bill and Melinda Gates Scholarship, and stated that she was one of 4,000 students who received this award. He said Ms. Bell is a student who works part-time in the Student Support Services' office,

and that Mr. Anthony Winston and Dr. Vicki Spruiell nominated her for this honor. He also said that Dr. Helen Moshkovich wrote a letter of support for her nomination.

Dr. Roach reported that the Alabama Power Company, the Coca-Cola Company, Pinebelt Corporation and others have been very supportive in the 2000 Technology Campaign. He thanked all of the people who have contributed to this fund-raising effort.

Dr. Roach reported that Dr. Jack Allen, a representative from the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools, will be on campus September 18, and that he will be the University's liaison with SACS in the accreditation review process.

V. REPORT FROM SGA PRESIDENT

Ms. Erin Ekhart, President of the UWA Student Government Association, reported that she had recently attended a leadership conference. She said that plans are already underway for Homecoming, and that the SGA meetings are televised on Channel 96.

She said that one of the main reasons she came to this meeting was in support of President Roach and what he is doing for the University. She also said she had in her possession 484 letter that have been faxed to the Governor in support of Dr. Roach, and that the University belongs to the students and that they intended to take their stand until the end.

VI. REPORT FROM FACULTY SENATE

Dr. R. T. Floyd distributed a list of the accomplishments made by the faculty. He said that last year there were only about 5% of the faculty who had their own webpages, and that he was happy to report that 100% of the faculty now have webpages.

He also reported that the Faculty Development Initiative was begun last year and that four workshops have been provided with six more currently scheduled over the next few weeks. He stated that the Deans' Council has approved the academic advisor evaluation form and process, and also the faculty/staff sick leave donation program that has been forwarded to the President's Council for approval. He also said that the direct deposit plan has been initiated.

Other projects include a flexible spending plan for the employees and a 403 B plan for tax deferred retirement and financial services which has been presented by VALIC.

VII. COMMITTEE REPORTS

Budget and Finance - Dr. Tom Umphrey, Chair, reported that the Committee met on September 7, and recommended that the proposed budget, as submitted, be adopted. He said that he would make a motion to approve the budget at the proper time.

Mr. Bunn said there are currently two members of the Board's Executive Committee-- he and Mr. Dwight Duke--and he will recommend that the budget be approved and will encourage Mr. Duke to do the same.

Athletic - Mr. Dee Outlaw, Athletic Director, reported that the Football record is 1-1 at this time, Volleyball is 1-7, cross-country is doing very well, the Rodeo team has their first competition at Missouri Valley on September 28, and their Fall Roundup will be on October 19-21. He said that the men's and women's Basketball teams would start their practices soon. Mr. Outlaw also reported that the Arkansas Tech vs. UWA Football game would be televised on Channel 4 on October 7.

VIII. ACADEMIC AFFAIRS

Dr. David Taylor, Provost, distributed copies of the newly published *Handbook for Faculty and Professional Staff* and said it will also be placed on the University's website. He said that this publication would be the last bound book, but would always be updated promptly and correct at all times on the website.

Dr. Taylor said that Dr. Jack Allen, the Associate Director of SACS, will serve as UWA's liaison official with SACS and will be on campus for a kickoff visit on September 18.

Dr. Taylor reported that a representative from NCATE will be on campus in October. He also stated that the College of Business and the Division of Nursing will be going through their re-accreditation process within the next year.

Dr. Taylor commended Dr. Richard Holland for all of his years of service at the University, starting with his enrollment as a student in 1962 and joining the faculty in 1967. He said that he has received the *Gilbert Outstanding Teacher Award* twice and the *McIlwain-Bell Award*, he had served as chair of the Self-Study Review for SACS re-accreditation, also heads up the Commencement process each year, and has said that he prefers teaching over administrative duties.

Report from College of Natural Sciences and Mathematics - Dr. Holland distributed a brochure outlining the purpose, academic programs, directory, special units, facilities and some of the success stories from the former students in the College of Natural Sciences and Mathematics. He also listed the Science and Math student organizations, as well as the special activities, such as: the annual meeting of Alabama Council of Teachers of Mathematics that will be held on campus on February 16-17, 2001, and the annual meeting of the Alabama Academy of Sciences which will be held on March 20-23, 2002.

IX. STUDENT AFFAIRS

Mr. Danny Buckalew, Director of Student Affairs, distributed the new *Student Handbook* and a brochure on crime statistics and University policy statements. He said his office is looking forward to working with the Student Government Association this year and that there has been great participation in the intramural activities so far. He also said that more students are living on campus this year.

X. ADJOURNMENT

Mr. Bunn thanked the Trustees for coming to the meeting to attend to the business of the University and stated that the next meeting of the Board will be held on the second Monday in December because of the Southern Association Meeting in Atlanta which members of the administration are required to attend.

Respectfully submitted,

T. Raiford Noland, Assistant Secretary