

PLANNING AND POLICY COMMITTEE
Marsh Conference Room
Belleville Campus
January 18, 2023

Committee members present: Charles Hannon, Chair
Richard Roehrkasse

Committee member absent: Sara Soehlke

Trustees present: John Blomenkamp
Steve Campo
Robert G. Morton
Nick Raftopoulos

Administrators present: Nick Mance
Linda Andres
Danielle Chambers
Sue McClure
Missy Roche
Dr. Gina Segobiano
Bob Tebbe
Bernie Ysursa

Attorney present: Garrett Hoerner

CALL TO ORDER

Chairman Hannon called the meeting to order at 5:58 p.m.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Mr. Roehrkasse moved, seconded by Mr. Hannon, to approve the minutes of the December 14, 2022 meeting as presented. Upon a roll call vote, those trustees voting aye were Mr. Roehrkasse and Mr. Hannon. Nays: none. Absent: Ms. Soehlke. The motion carried.

INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY ACCOMPLISHMENTS, REQUESTS FOR SERVICE AND STATUS REPORTS

Chief Information Officer Linda Andres presented the Information Technology Accomplishments, Requests for Service and Status Reports. Details are contained in the reports but some highlights were:

Final testing on MFA (multi-factor authentication) for January 30, 2023 rollout.

Working on cyber awareness.

Working on course syllabi that contain the same information; twenty similar items; still preparing for HLC site visit on February 14, 2023;

Working on Avaya phone upgrade; and

Changing authorized signatures to Board Treasurer Jacob Wheeler.

OTHER COMMITTEE RELATED BUSINESS

Chairman Hannon began discussion concerning online and in-person classes and provided comparisons to exclusively online businesses Coursera and Western Governors University. Coursera is using a virtual router and is selling a product by the hour, primarily IT.

Chief Enrollment Development and Institutional Planning Officer Tebbe stated staff have looked at a lot of those things and have had a lot of good conversation. He added students receive a better quality of instruction from our faculty. When COVID hit they responded and adopted to a new style of teaching. We are betting on the fact that our faculty is better and can teach better than Coursera.

Mr. Hannon stated that online Western Governors University was accredited. Buildings and equipment always have to be maintained; and having an online platform is much cheaper. Students have more opportunity to choose than ever before. Mr. Hannon added there seems to be a disconnect between what a student wants and what an employer wants. A student wants enough credentials to get a job. Be mindful that we are in competition with companies that do not have to do that.

Chairman Hannon inquired about enrollment. Chief Enrollment Development and Institutional Planning Officer Tebbe reported today we are up 1.5%, compared to 60 days ago when we were down 50%. We are moving in the right direction. The LPN program will increase enrollment, along with new programs in the summer.

NEXT SCHEDULED MEETING

The next scheduled meeting of the Planning and Policy Committee is Wednesday, February 8, 2023 at 5:30 p.m. in the Seibert Conference Room at the Belleville Campus.

ADJOURNMENT

Mr. Roehrkas moved, seconded by Mr. Hannon, to adjourn the meeting at 6:17 p.m. Upon a voice vote the motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,

Beverly J. Fiss
Board Secretary