

Minutes of a Regular Meeting of the
Academic Affairs/Student Affairs Committee of the
Ferris State University Board of Trustees
Friday, July 15, 2005
Timme Center for Student Services
Big Rapids, Michigan

1. Call to Order and Roll Call

A regular meeting of the Academic Affairs/Student Affairs Committee of the Ferris State University Board of Trustees was held on Friday, July 15, 2005 in room 302 of the Timme Center for Student Services, Ferris State University campus, Big Rapids, Michigan. Chair James K. Haveman called the meeting to order at 11:06 a.m. In addition to Chair Haveman, the following individuals were present: Trustees Gregory L. Patera, George J. Menoutes, Ronald E. Snead, and Arthur L. Tebo; University President David L. Eisler; University Vice Presidents Daniel L. Burcham, Richard P. Duffett, and Michael Harris; Vice Chancellor Sandra A. Davison-Wilson; Board Counsel Fredric N. Goldberg; Recording Secretary to the Board Karen K. Paine; and members of the University and area community.

2. Hearing of the Public

No one responded to Chair Haveman's invitation to address the Committee.

3a. Charter Schools

Ron Rizzo of the Charter Schools provided an overview of the requested amendments to two charter school contracts. He also provided additional information regarding the Hope of Detroit appointment to the Board of Directors.

It was then moved by Trustee Tebo, supported by Trustee Menoutes, and unanimously carried that the Committee endorse the Administration's recommended amendment to the charter school contract with Voyageur Academy, for full Board approval on July 15, 2005.

It was then moved by Trustee Tebo, supported by Trustee Menoutes, and unanimously carried that the Committee endorse the Administration's recommended amendment to the charter school contract with Benton Harbor Charter School, for full Board approval on July 15, 2005.

It was then moved by Trustee Menoutes, supported by Trustee Tebo, and unanimously carried that the Committee endorse the Administration's recommended appointment to the Board of Directors of Hope of Detroit Academy, for full Board approval on July 15, 2005.

3b. Exchange Agreement between Ferris State University and An Giang University,
Long Xuyen Vietnam

Vice President Harris provided an introduction and overview of the exchange agreement. Dr. Phillip Watson, Ferris State University Professor of Biology, provided additional information. His discussion included the advantages of the agreement; manufacturing in Vietnam; and teaching and learning methods in Vietnam. Board Counsel Goldberg provided additional information regarding the format of the exchange program.

It was then moved by Trustee Tebo, supported by Trustee Menoutes, and unanimously carried that the Committee endorse the Administration's recommended Exchange Agreement between Ferris State University and An Giang University, Long Xuyen Vietnam, for full Board approval on July 15, 2005.

3c.1. Bachelor of Science Degree in Early Childhood Education

Vice President Harris provided an overview of the proposed Bachelor of Science Degree in Early Childhood Education.

It was then moved by Trustee Menoutes, supported by Trustee Tebo, and unanimously carried that the Committee endorse the Administration's recommended Bachelor of Science Degree in Early Childhood Education, for full Board approval on July 15, 2005.

3c.2. Doctorate of Pharmacy and Master of Business Administration Program Option

Vice President Harris provided an overview of the proposed Doctorate of Pharmacy and Master of Business Administration combined degree program option. Discussion included timing of coursework, workload and delivery of programs.

It was then moved by Trustee Tebo, supported by Trustee Menoutes, and unanimously carried that the Committee endorse the Administration's recommended Doctorate of Pharmacy and Master of Business Administration Program Option, for full Board approval on July 15, 2005.

3c.3. Master of Education in Curriculum and Instruction – Experiential Education
Concentration

Vice President Harris provided an overview of the proposed Master of Education in Curriculum and Instruction Degree - Experiential Education concentration. Discussion included number of students initially projected for this program; initial area of focus (Livingston County); and lack of competition with other colleges or universities for this type of program.

It was then moved by Trustee Tebo, supported by Trustee Menoutes, and unanimously carried that the Committee endorse the Administration's recommended Master of Education in Curriculum and Instruction – Experiential Education Concentration, for full Board approval on July 15, 2005.

3c.4. Bachelor of Science in Business Administration – Leadership and Organizational Development Concentration

Vice President Harris provided an overview of the proposed Bachelor of Science in Business Administration – Leadership and Organizational Development Concentration. Discussion included the history of the development of this program; partnership with Macomb Community College; and potential for expansion.

It was then moved by Trustee Menoutes, supported by Trustee Tebo, and unanimously carried that the Committee endorse the Administration's recommended Bachelor of Science in Business Administration – Leadership and Organizational Development Concentration, for full Board approval on July 15, 2005.

4. Hearing of the Public

No one responded to Chair Haveman's second invitation to address the Committee.

5. Reconfirmation of Next Meeting Date

The next regular meeting of the Academic Affairs/Student Affairs Committee is scheduled for Friday, October 14, 2005.

6. Adjournment

At 11:31 a.m., it was moved by Trustee Tebo, supported by Trustee Menoutes, and unanimously carried that the Committee adjourn.

Approved by



James K. Haveman
Chair

Submitted by

Karen K. Paine
Recording Secretary to the
Board of Trustees