

Minutes of the Meeting of the Board of Visitors
University of Arkansas at Monticello
Fine Arts Center, Spencer Gallery
July 14, 2016 - 4:00 p.m.

Board Members Present:

Roger George
George Harris, Vice Chair
Michael Jones
Mellie Jo Owen, Secretary
Gregg Reep, Chair

Executive Council Members Present:

Karla Hughes, Chancellor
Peggy Doss, Interim Vice Chancellor for Academic Affairs
Jay Hughes, Vice Chancellor for Student Affairs
Jay Jones, Vice Chancellor for Finance and Administration and
Interim Vice Chancellor for Advancement and University Relations
Linda Rushing, Vice Chancellor for College of Technology – Crossett
Lisa Shemwell, Chief of Staff
Bob Ware, Vice Chancellor for College of Technology – McGehee

1. Mr. Gregg Reep called the meeting to order at 4:00 p.m.
2. The Board approved the minutes from the July 14, 2016 meeting.
3. Chancellor's Updates – Dr. Karla Hughes
 - Enrollment has been restructured and moved from Academic Affairs to Student Affairs. Data on enrollment was provided and discussed.
 - Executive Council had two retreats this summer which included discussions on marketing and branding, strategic planning, and recruiting strategies.
 - Reviews of job descriptions are being completed by each vice chancellor for their direct reports. This is important as we complete performance evaluations.
 - We are preparing for performance funding. The plan has been introduced by ADHE and an outcomes-based funding framework will be presented to the Coordinating Board at their July meeting.
4. Budget – Mr. Jay Jones

The proposal for an increase in tuition and fees, which was supported by the Board at the April meeting, was approved by the Board of Trustees. A breakdown of the budget by each campus for fiscal year 2016-2017 was discussed.

5. Welcome Week – Mr. Jay Hughes

A cross-collaborative work team began preparing for Welcome Week in March. Many activities have been planned for entering freshmen, which will help them in acclimating to the campus, have a sense of belonging, and connect with their class group.

6. Workforce Development – Mr. Bob Ware and Ms. Linda Rushing

UAM's Workforce Alliance of Southeast Arkansas has been awarded a grant from ADHE in the amount of \$988,570. This grant will enhance programs, provide technical training, and train leaders to make their respective communities ACT Work-Ready Communities.

7. Discussion and General Remarks

- Dr. Hughes introduced Dr. John Davis, Assistant Professor of Political Science, who has taken on additional duties of Director of Governmental Relations. He will be an advocate for UAM, tracking legislation and working with the General Assembly and local officials.
- The Board approved a change in the format of the next Board of Visitors meeting, which will be a tour of UAM facilities. Golf carts will be provided for Board of Visitors and Executive Council. Others are welcome to join the tour via walking or personal vehicle.

8. The meeting adjourned at 5:47 p.m.