

BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF WESTERN CAROLINA UNIVERSITY RETREAT

Castle Ladyhawke, Tuckasegee, NC

November 5-6, 2020

The Board of Trustees of Western Carolina University (Board) met for the Board of Trustees Retreat on November 5-6, 2020 at Castle Ladyhawke in Tuckasegee. Chair Kinney welcomed everyone to the retreat and called the meeting to order at 1:30 pm.

Thursday, November 5, 2020

Governor Byers provided a BOG update. Governor Byers thanked President Hans for his service to the UNC System and to campuses. Governor Byers discussed board involvement, enrollment growth, student success, and Board of Trustee appointments.

conditions of appointment, or conditions of initial appointment, of a public officer or employee or prospective officer or employee. The motion was seconded by Mrs. Brown. The motion to go into Closed Session was unanimously approved by the board.

Chair Kinney asked Chancellor Brown and Ms. Woods to remain for the closed session.

RESUMPTION OF OPEN SESSION

Chair Kinney asked for a motion to return to open session. Mr. Roberts made the motion to return to open session. The motion was seconded by Mr. Dawson. The board unanimously approved to return to Open Session.

ADJOURNMENT

Chair Kinney asked for a motion and a second to adjourn. Motion to adjourn from Mr. Messer and a second from Mr. Hughes. The motion was unanimously approved by board.

The meeting was adjourned at 5:30 p.m.

Friday, November 6, 2020

Welcome

Chair Kinney called the meeting to order at 9:00 am and welcomed everyone to the meeting.

Board Member Training

Mr. Shea Browning provided information on Board Member training. Mr. Browning reviewed the Legal Issues for Members of the Board of Trustees of Western Carolina University. Mr. Browning shared the general fiduciary duties of the Directors and Trustees, general powers and responsibilities of governing boards, liability of Trustees, open meetings laws, and confidentiality and records retention policies. Mr. Browning shared information on the Ethics Act and SEI form.

Title IX Report

Mr. Shea Browning, Mrs. Ivy Gibson, Dr. BaShaun Smith, Ms. Kyrsti Wyatt, and Mrs. Deidre Hopkins provided a report on Title IX. They shared the Overview of Title IX, Title IX Process and Procedures, Title IX Investigations, and Student Code of Conduct Process and Procedures. Title IX Report numbers will be categorized and shared at future Trustee meetings.

Tuition and Fees

Mr. Mike Byers and Dr. Sam Miller shared information on the Tuition and Fees. Mr. Byers and Dr. Miller shared the process for Tuition and Fee proposals and increases for room rates, book rental charge, and mandatory health fee. Dr. Miller provided a handout to the board and discussed the 2021-2022 Tuition and Fee Proposals. Discussion followed on the Tuition and Fees.

COVID-19 Updates/Impact on WCU

The Senior Leadership team provided a COVID-19 Update/Impact on WCU from each of their respective departments/offices. Mr. Gary provided an Athletics update including Student-Athlete Health, COVID-19 update, and fall/spring sports schedule. Mr. Fowler provided an Information Technology update including Canvas, dashboards, and Madison iBot. Ms. Raynor provided an Advancement update including alumni engagement, strategic plan, RFP, fundraising, Alumni Webinars and Western Wednesday, virtual tailgates and Feasibility Study. Dr. Starnes provided an Academic Affairs update including Academic Affairs Highlights for 2019-20, fall/spring performance and student engagement, and fall/spring 2021 modality. Mr. Byers provided an Administration and Finance update including facilities, budget, master plan, parking garage update, athletics turf, and entrance to campus update. Dr. Wargo provided a campus update, including the Chancellor's Office, Chief of Staff office, University Communications and Marketing. Dr. Miller provided a Student Affairs update including COVID-19 dashboard information,

Catamounts Care, dining services update, student profile for Fall 2020, demographics, and student