

**West Liberty University  
Board of Governors**

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**Minutes  
December 9, 2015**

Attendance:

Allyson Ashworth, Sandra Chapman, George Couch, Les DeFelice, Patrick Ford, Jim Haizlett, Brian Joseph, Rhonda Tysk

Unable to Attend:

Joe Carey, Richard Carter, Ann Thomas

Administration/Faculty/Staff:

Rebecca Bugaj, Scott Cook, Brian Crawford, John Gompers, Stephanie Hooper, Robert Kreisberg, John McCullough, Jack Wright

**I. Call to Order/Roll Call/Quorum and Mission Statement**

Chair Couch called the meeting to order at 4:06 p.m. and a quorum was established.

**II. Introductions**

None.

**III. Public Comment**

None.

**IV. Approval of Minutes**

**A. Minutes of the Full Board of 10/14/15 and Executive Committee of 12/02/15**

**On motion by Sandra Chapman and seconded by Rhonda Tysk, it was unanimously adopted by the West Liberty University Board of Governors to approve the minutes of the full Board of October 14, 2015, and the Executive Committee of December 2, 2015.**

**V. Agenda Order**

No changes to the agenda order.

**VI. Rules**

None.

**VII. Reports**

**A. Chair of the Board of Governors (Couch)**

Chair Couch noted that commencement is this Saturday, December 12, 2015. Board members are encouraged to attend.

He recognized the positive feedback from Dr. Greiner's recent visit to WLU and he feels that we are on the right path moving forward.

**B. Provost Report (Crawford)**

On November 2 & 3, 2015, the HLC accreditation visited WLU regarding the MBA and MS in Criminology Program. We should receive the team's first draft next week. Upon receipt, we have two weeks to make any corrections. We will receive final recommendations by late January 2016. We will have an additional two weeks to write a rebuttal. Final recommendations will be received in March 2016.

The ten-year HLC reaffirmation site visit will take place March 19 & 20, 2018.

This semester, he will be working with the Deans Council to review course enrollment. After pre-registration, changes will be made that will benefit the students and will also be a cost saving measure.

**VIII. President's Report**

Dr. McCullough gave a comprehensive overview of campus activities. A discussion ensued. On behalf of the entire University, he thanked the Board of Governors for all of their support.

Chair Couch thanked Dr. McCullough for all of his hard work at WLU and asked everyone to give him a round of applause.

**IX. Finance Report**

Ms. Hooper informed the Board that she is deferring to the next Board meeting to present the complete Audit Report. The Finance Committee will receive the full Audit Report in February 2016. A final 2017 budget report will be presented in March or April 2016.

Chair Couch recognized Jack Wright for his service to WLU.

**X. Board Items**

**A. Honorary Degrees\***

Chair Couch asked for the Board's approval to issue an honorary Doctor of Humane Letters (DHL) to Brian and Dan Joseph, both of whom will be the featured speakers at the upcoming commencement. Mr. Brian Joseph was asked to abstain from voting.

**On motion by Les DeFelice and seconded by Pat Ford, it was unanimously adopted by the West Liberty University Board of Governors to approve the honorary Doctor of Humane Letters (DHL) Degree for Brian and Dan Joseph.**

**B. Revisions to BOG Policy #14 - Regulations of Speed, Flow and Parking of Vehicles on Campus**

**On motion by Sandra Chapman and seconded by Allyson Ashworth, it was unanimously adopted by the West Liberty University Board of Governors to approve the revisions to Board of Governors Policy #14 - Regulations of Speed, Flow and Parking of Vehicles on Campus**

**XI. Executive Session**

None.

**XII. Information Gathering**

Chair Couch has asked the Security Committee to look at existing policies and make any recommendations in light of the times.

Recommendations for three new Board members were announced: Rich Lucas, Jack Adams, and Kris Williams. Present Board members that need replaced: Brian Joseph, Pat Kelly, and Ann Thomas.

**XIII. Next Meeting Date – February 10, 2016**

**XIV. Adjournment**

**On motion made, seconded and unanimously carried, meeting adjourned at 4:33 p.m.**

George Couch \_\_\_\_\_  
Chair

Patrick Ford \_\_\_\_\_  
Secretary