

# **WLU Board of Governors**

Regular Meeting

**Wednesday, April 15, 2026 - 4:00 p.m.**

Location: Shaw Hall Board Room

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- I. **Call to Order/Roll Call/Quorum and Mission Statement**
- II. **Introductions**
- III. **Public Comment** Description: Up to 10 individuals may sign in to speak in open session for three minutes each. The sign-in sheet will be available from Cyndi Galloway fifteen minutes prior to the meeting until the noticed start time.
- IV. **Agenda Order (Board may move to change order of consideration)**
- V. **Approval of Minutes\***
  - A. Minutes of the Full Board Regular Meeting February 11, 2026\* (pgs. 3-7)
- VI. **President's Report** (pg. 8)
- VII. **Reports**
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  - D. Athletics (Forshey, pg. 12-13)
  - E. Foundation (Delk, pg. 14)
  - F. Faculty (Kreisberg)
  - G. SGA (Sweat)
  - H. Staff (Karas)
- VIII. **Board Items for Approval\***
  - A. **Five-Year Program Review Recommendations** (pg. 15)
  - B. **Monitoring Review Program Recommendations** (pg. 16)
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- IX. **Discussion Items**
  - A. **BOG Self-Assessment Results**
- X. **Information Gathering** (Members may ask questions or gather information to prepare for future agenda items without general discussion or action at this meeting.)
- XI. **Next Meeting Date – Wednesday, June 10, 2026**
- XII. **Adjournment**

**West Liberty University  
Board of Governors**

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**Minutes  
February 11, 2026**

Attendance: David McKinley, Katie Kacmarik, Will Turani, Mike Baker, Luke Sweat, Robert Kreisberg, Lou Karas, Rich Lucas, Tom Cervone, Stephanie Shaw

Unable to Attend: Erikka Storch, Jamie Evick

Administration/Faculty/Staff/Guests: Tim Borchers, Cyndi Galloway, Cathy Monteroso, Lori Hudson, Betsy Delk, Jacob Manning, Brad Forshey, Katie Cooper, Ann Saurbier, Sherri Theaker, Miriam Douglas, Cecilia Konchar Farr, Karen Kettler

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

David McKinley called the meeting to order at 4:01 p.m. and a quorum was established.

**II. Introductions**

None.

**III. Public Comment**

None.

**IV. Agenda Order (Board may move to change order of consideration)**

**V. Approval of Minutes\***

**A. Minutes of the Full Board December 17, 2025\***

1. On motion by Rich Lucas and seconded by Mike Baker, it was unanimously adopted by the West Liberty University Board of Governors to approve the minutes of the full Board of December 17, 2025.

**VI. President's Report**

President Borchers recognized the facilities team for their effective snow removal efforts. He reported that Katie Cooper is leading the Critical Incident Response Team (CIRT), which is conducting tabletop exercises and preparedness planning. Key performance indicators remain on track, with the University meeting revenue and expense projections. Admissions activity across applications, acceptances, housing, and orientation was also reviewed.

President Borchers and Betsy Delk recently met with representatives from Senators Capito's and Justice's offices in Washington, DC, resulting in \$460,000 in congressionally directed funding for police department updates. Luke Sweat is coordinating WLU Day at the Capitol, scheduled for February 26 (date to be confirmed). A Nonprofit Opportunities Fair will be held March 4 from 10:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. in the library, with approximately 20 nonprofit organizations participating. Marketing efforts continue to expand through paid media and social platforms to highlight student work and achievements.

**VII. Board Reports**

**A. Academic Affairs (Monteroso)**

- VIII.** Cathy Monteroso highlighted efforts to align experiential learning with career readiness through experiential major maps. She noted the opening of the biomedical research lab, recognized as one of the best in the state. A book signing featuring Dr. Zack Graham was held on February 4 with strong student engagement. The Academic Program Review schedule was reviewed, including focused reviews submitted in December and upcoming five-year program reviews to be presented at the April Board meeting.

#### **A. Student Affairs/Enrollment (Cooper)**

Katie Cooper reported that Spring 2026 enrollment is meeting projections. Fall 2026 undergraduate applications total 1,259, slightly below last year but consistent with national trends, while acceptances increased to 1,026. Engagement with local feeder schools and high school visits remains strong. Accepted Students Day will be held in March, followed by orientation sign-ups. Marketing efforts with EAB continue, reaching more than 34,000 students through digital and print communications. Outreach initiatives are underway to re-engage former dual-enrolled students who did not enroll following high school.

#### **B. Fiscal Affairs (Hudson)**

Lori Hudson reviewed the budget status through January 23. Undergraduate tuition and fee revenue exceeds projections for Fall 2025 and Spring 2026, while graduate revenue remains on target. Expenses continue to fall within acceptable ranges, and 75% of the state appropriation has been received. Deferred maintenance projects are progressing well, including roofing, HVAC, and window replacements, with additional funds forthcoming. Recent milestones include the ribbon cutting for the new Arnett Hall lab, installation of an aviation simulator, and completion of the Blatnik Hall flooring project. A campus-wide Budget Forum has been established to promote transparency and shared understanding of University finances.

#### **C. Athletics (Forshey)**

Brad Forshey reported strong academic and competitive success across athletics. Men's Basketball is ranked seventh, and Men's Wrestling won the MEC Championship. The department achieved its 15th consecutive semester with a cumulative GPA above 3.0, with numerous academic honors awarded to student-athletes. The University will host its first NCAA regional women's wrestling tournament, and spring sports are now underway.

#### **D. Foundation (Delk)**

Betsy Delk shared an update on Foundation revenue and recent significant gifts supporting scholarships and academic resources. The 10th annual Topper Day of Giving will be held March 25, with The Health Plan serving as title sponsor. Scholarship luncheons will begin later this month, and ongoing alumni and donor engagement continues across multiple states.

#### **E. Faculty Representative (Kreisberg)**

Robert Kreisberg shared that the College of Sciences lab opening was held with strong attendance from campus and community partners. Faculty participation in WV INBRE grants remains strong, with WLU recognized as a leading participant among smaller institutions.

#### **F. SGA Representative (Sweat)**

Luke Sweat reported that SGA approved a consolidated governance handbook to streamline operations. Student organization funding packets have been approved, and plans are underway for WLU Day at the Capitol and Spring Fling on the Quad. Additional student advocacy travel to Washington, DC is being planned for later this spring.

#### **G. Staff Representative (Karas)**

Lou Karas reported that Melissa Carroll continues to serve as the University's representative to the West Virginia Council, monitoring legislation and issues that may affect state employees. She noted discussions around restoring student voting rights on the Board of Governors, while voting rights for faculty and staff have not been a significant focus.

The University Spring Welcome was held on January 8. Staff Council Chair Eric Burkle presented Staff Council awards, including the True Topper Award to Merilee Madera, the

Customer Service Award to Andrew Lewis, and the Team Award to the Student Success Center.

**IX. Board Items for Approval\***

**A. Focused Program Review Recommendations**

Dr. Borchers reminded the Board that at the October meeting, a process was approved to conduct focused reviews of certain academic programs based on established criteria, including program size, recent enrollment declines, and contribution margin. Programs meeting these criteria were identified, and department chairs and deans submitted reports that were due in December. These reports were reviewed by the Program Review Task Force, which developed recommendations and forwarded them to Dr. Borchers. Based on that work, Dr. Borchers presented recommendations to the full Board for consideration.

It was emphasized that the recommendations pertain to programs, not individual faculty members. Cathy Monteroso and Tim Borchers have met with applicable deans and chairs to review the recommendations. Approximately 12–14 students would be affected across all proposed changes, and the University will work directly with each student to support degree completion.

**Program Recommendations:**

**Theatre** – Restructure and revise

**Communications** – Restructure and revise

**Community Education** – Phase out or suspend (7 students currently enrolled)

**Music** – Restructure and revise

**Social Sciences** (standalone majors)

- **Social Science Education** – Continue with monitoring
- **History** – Continue with monitoring
- **Political Science** – Continue with monitoring
- **Sociology** – Phase out or suspend (no students or faculty assigned)
- **Geography and Planning** – Phase out or suspend, potential of a minor

**Data Science** – Phase out or suspend (4 students enrolled; teach-out will be provided)

**MS in Exercise Psychology** – Restructure and revise

**MBA** – Restructure and revise; there is no longer an in-person option for this program

**MS in Speech-Language Pathology** – Continue with monitoring

Programs recommended for restructuring and revision will remain under ongoing monitoring, with continued evaluation of outcomes and progress.

Board discussion included potential cost savings and possible position impacts. Robert noted the strong workforce demand for Data Science and asked whether enhanced marketing could increase enrollment. Katie shared that there are currently three applicants, who will be offered alternative academic pathways such as Business with a Data Analytics focus.

Robert asked about the timing of faculty discussions and transparency. Dr. Borchers and Dr. Monteroso confirmed that deans and chairs have been engaged and that faculty conversations will occur if the recommendations are approved. Dr. Borchers reviewed the multiple communications shared throughout the process, and Cathy stated she does not expect faculty to be surprised by the recommendations. Additional discussion focused on the demand for Data Science and the definition of “restructure and revise.” It was noted that approaches will vary by program, with the goal of strengthening viable offerings.

**Action: On motion by Rich Lucas and seconded by Katie Kacmarik, it was unanimously adopted by the West Liberty University Board of Governors to approve the Focused Program Review Recommendations as presented.**

**X. Executive Session**

Pursuant to WV Code § 6-9A-4 (b)(10), at 5:21PM, a request for a motion to retire to executive session was made by David McKinley. The motion was made by Mike Baker and seconded by Katie Kacmarik; motion passed unanimously.

Executive Session began at 5:21PM

A motion to rise from executive session at 5:24PM was made by Katie Kacmarik and seconded by Mike baker; motion passed unanimously.

Executive Session ended at 5:24PM with no action taken.

**Cont. Board Items for Approval\***

**B. Spring 2026 Commencement Speaker & Honorary Degree**

Pursuant to WLU Procedure 238: Guidelines for Honorary Degrees and Recognition, the Honorary Degrees and Recognition Committee and the President of the University recommend that the West Liberty University Board of Governors authorizes the conferral of an honorary Doctor of Humane Letters (DHL) degree from West Liberty University at the May or December 2026 commencement to Stephanie Shaw and approve the resolution:

**Action:** On motion by Rich Lucas and seconded by Will Turani, it was unanimously adopted by the West Liberty University Board of Governors to approve the preceding resolution and authorize the President of the University to confer the Doctor of Humane Letters degree to Stephanie Shaw at its May or December 2026 Commencement ceremony as discussed.

**XI. Discussion Items:**

- **BOG Self-Assessment**

- Will Turani discussed some comments and recommendations that were made to change the assessment. Some questions were redundant. A timeline was discussed to release the survey to the full board for completion if the board is OK with the recommended changes. The survey is planned to go out electronically via SurveyMonkey in the next couple of weeks and results will be reviewed at the next Governance Sub-Committee meeting and then reviewed with the full board at the April meeting.

The board agrees to advance the final survey for completion.

- **2026-2027 BOG Meeting Schedule**

- David shared that he would like to set a BOG retreat date soon so that members can plan to attend. No action is required today. He'd like to hold a retreat in August to begin the year. This will give the board an opportunity to think deeper and express insights. An estimated date would be August 12<sup>th</sup> and we'll plan for 1:00-4:00 prior to the regularly scheduled board meeting.

Items the Board of Governors would like to include on the upcoming retreat agenda were discussed. David emphasized the importance of developing a clearer understanding of what the University should look like over the next three to five years, noting the need to consider broader strategic decisions beyond cost-cutting measures. He also highlighted the value of shaping long-term strategies around community outreach.

Dr. Borchers suggested including a facilities-focused discussion at the retreat. He noted that significant bond payments will be coming due soon and emphasized the need to establish a process for prioritizing how funds will be allocated once bond resources become available. He also proposed providing the Board with a campus tour to highlight current facility needs.

Mike Baker suggested inviting department chairs to participate as special guests in future Board engagements to provide updates on activities and strategic direction within their areas. With

approximately 22 department chairs across campus, he expressed interest in gaining deeper insight into departmental goals and faculty initiatives.

Robert raised questions about marketing strategy, specifically how the University determines which academic programs to promote on platforms such as Facebook. He also suggested that Board members arrive approximately 30 minutes early to certain meetings to allow for informal discussions with selected department chairs. Chairs could be notified in advance of the topics or information the Board would like to hear about regarding their programs.

Lou recommended including a focus on student life, noting that it would be beneficial for the Board to hear more about the work of student life staff, including professionals such as Kate Billings and Sarah Fonner, and the level of institutional support required for their efforts.

Brad suggested that the Board hear from Lisa Witzberger from Counseling Services to better understand mental health support and related student needs.

Stephanie proposed adding a discussion on artificial intelligence and automation, particularly regarding how these tools can improve productivity. Katie agreed, adding that employment implications should be part of the discussion, especially given the significant time devoted to state and federal reporting requirements.

**XII. Adjournment**

On motion by Mike Baker & seconded by Katie Kacmarik, the meeting adjourned at 5:43PM

David McKinley \_\_\_\_\_ Tom Cervone \_\_\_\_\_  
Chair Secretary

Minutes submitted by: Cyndi Galloway

**President's Report to Board of Governors**  
**April 15, 2026**

**1. Key Updates Since December Meeting**

- We submitted Congressionally Directed Spending proposals for three projects: Biomedical Instrumentation (\$790,000), Classroom to Career upgrades (\$780,000), and Anatomy Lab Complex (\$2,500,000).
- We hosted Thompson Moore, from Senator Capito's office, on campus in February.
- We held a Nonprofit Opportunity Fair on March 4 to connect students with nonprofit leaders.
- A report on my third year will have been sent to BOG members by April 15.
- EAB presented its "State of the Sector" research to the University Planning Committee and Budget Forum on April 10.

**2. Other Activities and Accomplishments**

- We had a successful Day at the Capitol on Feb. 27 with next year's planned for February 4, 2027.
- We held Alumni Reunions in Charleston, WV on Feb. 26 and Weirton, WV on March 12. We hosted Topper Takeovers at River City prior to each WLU MEC game.
- I attended EAB's Ignited conference in Washington, DC on March 10-11 and the Higher Learning Commission conference in Chicago on March 20-22.
- We will hold the Gary E. West Aviation Center ribbon cutting on April 24 at 11 a.m.
- We are hosting the Intermediate Court of Appeals on April 14.
- I presented to the CLA virtual conference about our program review process on February 18.

**3. Personnel Items at the Cabinet Level or President's Reports**

- None at this time.

**4. Sabbatical Notification**

- Per University policy 223 Sabbatical Leave, the President is to notify the BOG of sabbatical leaves granted, disciplines of faculty members granted leave and terms of leave granted. Moonjung Kang, Graphic Design, will be on sabbatical leave for Fall 2026.

**Respectfully submitted by: Tim Borchers, President**

**Academic Affairs Report to Board of Governors  
April 15, 2026**

**New Program Development:**

- Master of Arts in Mental Health Counseling approved by HLC – starting Fall 2026
- Bachelor of Applied Science (reintroduction, starting Fall 2026)
- Intent to Plan Construction Management

Physician Assistant Program Expansion up to 25 Students – 7 additional students

2024-25 Contribution Margin CLA report attached

**Five-Year Program Review – Summary Report in Teams**

Programs Reviewed	Recommendation
MA Creative Art Therapy	Continue
BS Chemistry	Revise Restructure
BS Creative Art Therapy	Continue
BA Elementary Education	Continue
BS Psychology	Continue
BA Secondary Education	Continue

**Monitoring Review**

Program	Recommendation
AS/BS Dental Hygiene	Continue
BA English	Monitoring – revise and restructure Submission Dec. 1, 2026
BS Nursing	Monitoring - Contribution Margin submission Dec. 1, 2026
BS Pre-Professional Speech Pathology & Audiology	Monitoring –Contribution margin
BA Visual Communication	Continue

**Personnel Update**

Dr. Karen Kettler has resigned to take another position; Dr. Joe Horzempa is serving as the interim Dean of the College of Science.

**BOG Approval of 5-Year Program Review**

**Respectfully submitted by: Cathy Monteroso, Provost & VP for Academic Affairs**

**Student Affairs & Enrollment Management Report to Board of Governors  
April 15, 2026**

**1. Enrollment – Fall 2026**

- a. Headcount 500 – UG and GR returning students
  - i. Registration began on March 31, 2026

**2. Fall 2026 – Applications and Accepts**

- a. We have 151 new students registered for Summer Orientations
- b. We have 249 students registered for Housing for Fall 2026
- c. Accepts and Housing for Undergraduates are still up. We are still pushing application completion, orientation registration and housing applications through communication plans and outreach.

**3. Marketing and Strategic Enrollment Management Plan Updates**

- a. EAB Enroll360
  - i. Campaigns
    - 1. Apply - Senior
      - a. Mailers sent to date: 28,451
      - b. Number of emails sent to date: 1,002,014 (began 09.22.25)
      - c. Number of students receiving materials: 36,101
    - 2. Cultivate – Sophomore and Junior
      - a. Mailers sent to date: 11, 097
      - b. Number of emails sent to date: 112,294 (began 01.14.26)
      - c. Number of students receiving materials: 14,256
  - ii. Fall 2027 campaigns will begin in August or early September for Apply and August for Cultivate.

**4. Student Affairs**

- a. CIRT
  - i. Several members will be attending the Campus Safety and Emergency Response Symposium in Charleston on April 22, 2026. The Campus Safety and Emergency Response Symposium is intended to bring together interdepartmental teams of senior level staff representing key functional areas, from each of West Virginia's two- and four-year colleges and universities for:
    - 1. Training on prevention of and response to critical safety events, specifically, active-shooter incidents,
    - 2. An overview and discussion of newly passed legislation related to higher education campus safety mapping,
    - 3. Guided discussion with higher education colleagues from across the state on these imperative topics.
- b. Spring Week
  - i. SGA and Student Life will be hosting the Spring Fling Dance in the Union leading into Spring Week which will include multiple events for our students to relax prior to finals week like Build a Topper, Multicultural Ceremony, Lavendar Ceremony, Senior Graduation Toast, cookie making and other relaxation events.

**5. Staffing**

- a. Vacant Positions
  - i. Two Admissions Counselors
  - ii. Campus Police Officers

**Respectfully submitted by: Katie Cooper, Vice President of Student Affairs and Enrollment Management**

**WLU Fiscal Affairs & Facilities Report to Board of Governors  
April 15, 2026**

**I. Update of Division/Area**

FY26 Budget Status Report through March 2026:

- Revenue
  - Undergraduate tuition & fee revenue met projection
  - Graduate tuition & fee revenue expected to meet projection
  - Housing & meal plan revenue met projection
  - Appropriation expected to meet projection
  - Other income expected to meet projection
- Expenses
  - Closely monitoring expenses through the end of the fiscal year
  - On target with the exception of Contract Services and Other

**II. Other Matters of Focus – Approvals Requested**

- FY27 Tuition and Fee Schedule
- FY27 Revenue Budget
  - Projections:
    - 1392 undergraduate full time equivalent students
    - 5,010 billable hours for graduate programs plus PA
    - Appropriation increase of \$463,523 (HEPC stated increase was to cover employer PEIA increase / fully funding the Funding Formula / raises)

**III. Facilities – Deferred Maintenance**

- Nearly all first round Deferred Maintenance grant projects are now complete
- Held back funds to be distributed in the near future

**Respectfully submitted by: Lori Hudson, VP of Fiscal Affairs**

## **Athletics Report to Board of Governors April 15, 2026**

### **Athletic Updates:**

#### **Men's Basketball**

- Freshman guard Myles Montgomery and junior forward Jamie Muldowney earned First Team All-MEC honors, while freshman guard Kam Williams received All-MEC Honorable Mention recognition.
- Montgomery also earned NABC Second Team All-District Honors following a standout freshman season, averaging 13.8 points and 3.0 rebounds per game while leading both the Hilltoppers and the MEC with 89 steals.
- The program captured its fifth Mountain East Conference Tournament title with a 93–88 victory over Fairmont State at WesBanco Arena.
- The win marked the program's eighth consecutive MEC Championship Game appearance and 10th overall.
- West Liberty extended its own NCAA Division II record with its 17th consecutive NCAA Tournament appearance, surpassing last year's mark of 16 straight appearances.
- Junior Landon Butler was named to the 2026 College Sports Communicators (CSC) Academic All-District Team.

#### **Women's Basketball**

- Sophomore guard Olivia Baker and senior guard Anna Lucarelli earned Second Team All-MEC honors.
- Three student-athletes earned CSC Academic All-District recognition.
- Baker was selected as a CSC Academic All-America Finalist for the second consecutive year.
- Lucarelli earned her third Academic All-District honor, adding to an already decorated academic career.
- Ana-Isabel Andersson earned her first Academic All-District recognition.
- Baker led the nation in three-point field goals made per game (3.83), while also ranking:
  - #1 nationally in 3-pointers per game (3.83)
  - #4 nationally in total 3-pointers made (88)

#### **Women's Wrestling**

- West Liberty served as one of six host institutions for the inaugural NCAA NC Women's Wrestling Championships.
- The Hilltoppers finished second at regionals, qualifying four student-athletes for the national championships—the first qualifiers in program history.
- Cassia Zammit, Trinity Howard, Mariah Mills, and Jamie Shapton represented WLU at nationals in Coralville, Iowa.
- Zammit placed fourth nationally, becoming the program's first All-American after entering the tournament unseeded.
- The program earned NWCA Team Scholar All-America honors, finishing 14th nationally academically.
- Eight student-athletes earned All-Academic honors: Nila Bland, Sydney Chambers, Trinity Howard, Mariah Mills, Grace O'Korn, Jilliam Timberlake, Cassia Zammit, and Isabella Kessey.

#### **Men's Wrestling**

- West Liberty claimed its fourth MEC Wrestling Championship, with five individual conference champions:
  - Tony Wood (149)
  - Nicco Taddy (157)
  - Jordan Watters (165)
  - Carter Windegardner (174)
  - Oliver Byerly (184)
- At the Super Region II Tournament, WLU crowned three champions and qualified six wrestlers for nationals:
  - Logan Davis (125)
  - James Armstrong Jr. (133)
  - Khyvon Grace (141)
  - Nicco Taddy (157)
  - Oliver Byerly (184)

- Parker Bentley (285)
- Logan Davis, Khyvon Grace, and Nicco Taddy earned All-America honors.
- Grace finished as a National Finalist, falling in a last-second decision in the championship match.
- Danny Irwin named MEC Co-Coach of the year.

### **Acrobatics & Tumbling**

- The team honored three seniors during Sunday's home meet against Glenville State.
- WLU hosted youth gymnastics and tumbling teams from Wellsburg, WV.
- More than 50 youth participants across four teams attended, performing at halftime and between heats.
- Bella Paternoster and Lainey Horvath will represent WLU at the MEC Championship in Aerial Tumbling Pass and Open Tumbling Pass.

### **Baseball**

- The Hilltoppers are off to a strong start with an 8–8 MEC record.
- Tied for 4th in the MEC standings.
- WLU travels to Frostburg State this weekend for a key four-game conference series.

### **Softball**

- WLU hosted its annual "Lil Sis" Appreciation Day during a home doubleheader against Salem.
- More than 30 youth athletes attended, interacting with the team and being recognized during lineup introductions.
- Tied for 3rd in the MEC North Division
- Peyton Tucker was named to the NFCA Nation Fast Pitch Coaches Association) D-II Player of the Year Watchlist.

### **Men's Track**

- Hosted the annual Tim Weaver Invitational on March 27-28.
- Ethan Furbee won the High Jump at the UC Invitational
- Tristin Ohler won the 100 and 200 meter at the UC Invitational and the Tim Weaver Invitational
- Dominic Gianangeli won the 400 meter at the Tim Weaver Invitational
- Robert Allen won the 10,000 meter at the Tim Weaver Invitational
- Shepherd Ritchie won the 5,000 meter at the Tim Weaver Invitational
- Ethan Furbee and George Donovic tied for 1st in the High Jump at the Tim Weaver Invitational
- John Bowen won the Pole Vault event at the Tim Weaver Invitational The 4x100 meter won at the Tim Weaver Invitational
- Tristin Ohler won the 100Marty Pushkin Invitational at WVU

### **Women's Track**

- Kaylee Davis won the 200 meter at the Tim Weaver Invitational
- Lacey Dimit won the 800 meter at the Tim Weaver Invitational
- Marissa Scott won the 100 meter hurdle at the Tim Weaver Invitational
- Ky'ara Ross won the long jump at the Tim Weaver Invitational
- The 4x100 meter won at the Tim Weaver Invitational
- Ky'ara Ross won the 100 meter Marty Pushkin Invitational at WVU
- Brookelynn Reinolds won the 400 meter Marty Pushkin Invitational at WVU

### **Men's Golf**

- Competing in the MEC Spring Classic on April 7-8

**Respectfully submitted by: Brad Forshey, Athletic Director**

**WLU Foundation Report to Board of Governors  
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**Total Revenue Received = \$1,890,288** (as of 4-1-26)

**Annual Fund: \$139,742** (22% increase over same period LY)

**Topper Day of Giving: \$335,000 raised**

The winners in the "Amount Raised" category are:

1. Biology - \$24,633
2. Theatre - 23,883
3. Wrestling - \$16,074

The top three in the "Number of Donors" category are:

1. Wrestling - 265
2. Theatre - 119
3. Biology – 59

Winner of the Employee Participation Challenge was the College of Business with 73.33% participation.

**Significant Gifts:**

**Additions to the Endowment:**

\$25,000 to establish the Megan Dart Endowed Volleyball Scholarship  
\$11,000 gift to Carolyn Sue Garrison Elementary Education Scholarship Endowment  
Carole Lynn Harris Scholarship – moved to temporary endowment status

**Recent Events and Activities:**

Alumni gatherings in Charleston WV and Weirton  
Topper Takeover at the MEC Tournament  
WLU Day at the Capitol

**Upcoming Events:**

WLUF Quarterly Board Meeting – Friday, April 17 at 2:30pm in the AACC  
Lary Loew Hilltopper Golf Scramble – Friday, June 26  
Stewardship Mailing – late June  
Homecoming Weekend – October 17-18  
Tri-State Tax Institute – Tuesday, October 27

**Respectfully submitted by: Betsy Delk, Executive Director WLUF**

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## **FIVE-YEAR PROGRAM REVIEW RECOMMENDATIONS**

### **WEST LIBERTY UNIVERSITY**

#### **Action Item**

The Board of Governors is asked to approve the Five-Year Program Review Recommendations as presented.

**Proposed Resolution: *Resolved*, that the West Liberty University Board of Governors approve the Five-Year Program Review Recommendations as presented.**

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## **MONITORING PROGRAM REVIEW RECOMMENDATIONS**

### **WEST LIBERTY UNIVERSITY**

#### **Action Item**

The Board of Governors is asked to approve the Monitoring Program Review Recommendations as presented.

**Proposed Resolution: *Resolved*, that the West Liberty University Board of Governors approve the Monitoring Program Review Recommendations as presented.**

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## **RULE 1.5**

### **WEST LIBERTY UNIVERSITY**

#### **Action Item**

At the October 15, 2026, Full Board meeting, the Board of Governors approved a Notice of Intent to review and update the following Board Rules: Policy 28, 29, and 32. These rules were updated and sent to campus for a 30-day comment period and no comments were received.

**Proposed Resolution: *Resolved*, that the West Liberty University Board of Governors approve the combining of Policies 28, 29, and 32 into one Board Rule, 1.5, as presented.**

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**FY27 TUITION & FEES SCHEDULE**

**WEST LIBERTY UNIVERSITY**

**Action Item**

**Proposed Resolution: *Resolved*, that the West Liberty University Board of Governors approve the Fiscal Year 2027 Tuition & Fees Schedule as presented.**

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**FY27 REVENUE BUDGET**  
**WEST LIBERTY UNIVERSITY**

**Action Item**

**Proposed Resolution: *Resolved*, that the West Liberty University Board of Governors approve the Fiscal Year 2027 Revenue Budget as presented.**

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## **SPRING 2026 COMMENCEMENT SPEAKER & HONORARY DEGREE**

### **WEST LIBERTY UNIVERSITY**

#### **Action Item**

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