

**West Liberty University  
Board of Governors**

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**Executive Committee  
Minutes  
January 29, 2026**

**In Attendance:** Rich Lucas, Tom Cervone, Tim Borchers, Jacob Manning, Cyndi Galloway, David McKinley, Mike Baker.

**Unable to Attend:** None.

**Meeting called to order at 10:12 a.m.**

**Approval of Minutes**

Minutes from the December 4, 2025 meeting were approved following a motion by David McKinley and seconded by Tom Cervone.

**May 2026 Commencement, Honorary Degree**

An update was provided regarding the commencement speaker, with a response expected by the February 11 deadline.

**Program Reviews**

The committee then discussed program reviews, noting that Academic Affairs had been briefed earlier in the week. All focused review recommendations will be shared with the Board of Governors and are available in the AA/SL Team folder. Several programs are currently under monitoring, with actions including restriction, revision, and the planned phase-out of four programs—CEP, Geography and Planning, and two additional programs—collectively affecting 12 students. The five-year program reviews will be presented to the BOG in April, with final approval resting with the Board. Tom Cervone, who served on the task force, acknowledged the extensive work involved in developing the metrics and rubrics used for evaluation and expressed confidence in the resulting recommendations.

**BOG Self-Assessment**

The committee also reviewed progress on the BOG self-assessment. Will and Rich are refining the assessment tool previously used, aiming to shorten it. A revised draft is expected for committee review by February 11, with the goal of presenting final results at the April meeting. If additional time is necessary, the final review may be shifted to June.

**Other Updates**

A brief update on marketing efforts noted ongoing recruitment activities, including open houses. The website redesign is targeted for completion in May, though delays remain possible. Applications are improving and closing the year-to-date gap.

**Adjournment**

A motion to adjourn was made by Rich Lucas and seconded by Tom Cervone and the meeting concluded at 10:31 a.m.