

**West Liberty University
Board of Governors**

**Executive Committee
Minutes
April 2, 2026**

In Attendance: Mike Baker, Rich Lucas, Tom Cervone, David McKinley

Unable to Attend: None.

Others in Attendance: Tim Borchers, Cyndi Galloway, Jacob Manning

Meeting called to order at 10:05 a.m.

Approval of Minutes

Minutes from the January 29 meeting were approved following a motion by Rich Lucas and seconded by Mike Baker.

Recommendation on BOG Policy 32/Rule 1.5 – Discrimination and Harassment

The committee reviewed proposed Rule 1.5, which combines three former policies into a single rule. It was noted that no comments were received from faculty, staff, or students during the review period. The rule is scheduled to be submitted to the Board of Governors at the April meeting; however, approval from the Executive Committee was required in order to advance it to the full board.

***A motion to approve Rule 1.5 was made by Rich Lucas and seconded by Mike Baker. The motion passed.**

Annual Presidential Evaluation Discussion

Dr. Borchers will provide a report to the Board of Governors by April 15. At the end of May, a representative of the Board will meet with him to discuss the evaluation, and the full Board will deliver its report at the June meeting.

Review of agenda items for the upcoming BOG Meeting—April 15

The committee reviewed upcoming meeting agenda items. These include consideration of Stephanie Shaw for an honorary degree and as a speaker; recent academic program reviews, which have been reviewed by Academic Affairs and Student Life; and final consideration of Rule 1.5. The committee also discussed the results of the recent Board of Governors assessment, which was noted to be positive. Members expressed interest in discussing the level and structure of cabinet report-outs at future meetings and indicated a preference for rotating selected presentations tied to ongoing strategic planning efforts.

Other Updates

It was noted that Rich Lucas will be completing his term at the end of the year. The committee will need to submit a recommendation to the Governor in the near future. David McKinley led a brief discussion regarding desired skills and qualifications to consider when identifying a replacement.

Adjournment

A motion to adjourn was made by Tom Cervone and seconded by Mike Baker and the meeting concluded at 10:17 a.m.