

**West Liberty University  
Board of Governors**

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**Governance Committee  
Minutes  
July 30, 2025**

**In Attendance:** Erikka Storch, Rich Lucas, Stephanie Shaw

**Unable to Attend:** Will Turani, Lou Karas (staff member)

**Faculty/Staff/Administration/Guests in Attendance:** Tim Borchers, Cyndi Galloway, Jacob Manning

**1. Meeting called to order at 9:05 AM**

**2. Approval of Minutes-January 29, 2025**

On a motion by Stephanie Shaw and seconded by Rich Lucas, the Governance Committee minutes of January 29, 2025, were approved.

**May 28, 2025**

On a motion by Stephanie Shaw and seconded by Rich Lucas, the Governance Committee minutes of May 28, 2025, were approved.

**3. Proposed Changes to BOG Bylaws**

Jacob Manning provided a brief overview of the proposed changes to the BOG Bylaws, noting that drafts had been circulated in advance for review. The revisions include the addition of statutory references for consistency in Sections 1 and 2, and the insertion of the word "voting" in Section 3 to align with new statutory requirements. Section 6 has been updated to define quorum as one more than half of the current voting members serving, and to allow participation by video conference, which had not previously been addressed. Section 8 introduces a substantive change clarifying that faculty, staff, and student representatives are advisory, non-voting members, ensuring uniformity across all 11 institutions.

Additional updates include changes to Article 3, Section 2, which revises language regarding standing committees to state that they may meet as often as deemed appropriate, without being bound to a specific schedule. This section also reaffirms the distinction between voting and non-voting members. Also, the Student Life and Academic Affairs Committees will be combined into a single committee, with a description reflecting both areas. The Board will be required to vote on the selection of a new committee chair for the combined body.

No action is required by the Governance Subcommittee at this time. This information will be presented to the full board and will need to be posted for a 30-day comment period.

**4. Adjournment**

Rich Lucas motions to adjourn and Stephanie Shaw seconds the motion.

Meeting adjourned: 9:15 AM

Minutes submitted by: Cyndi Galloway