Approved Minutes - December 5, 2011

University of Wisconsin-Fox Valley Board of Trustees

Trustees Present: Tom Widener, Dick Gosse, Nancy Barker, Susan Locke Others Present: Andy Keogh, Martin Rudd, Jim Eagon, Juli McGuire

- 1) Chairman Widener called the meeting to order at 10:30 a.m.
- 2) Public comment. None.
- 3) Trustee Barker moved and Trustee Gosse seconded approval of minutes for the meeting held November 14, 2011. The motion was approved unanimously by voice vote.
- 4) The Trustees reviewed the bills for the 2011 budget listed on the summary report to Winnebago County dated 12/02/11. Trustee Gosse moved and Trustee Barker seconded to approve payment of the bills totaling \$2,807.11. The motion was approved unanimously by voice vote.

5) Budget report:

- The Trustees reviewed the UW-Fox Valley County Budget Expenditure Report for 2011 through 02-Dec-11.
- Mr. Eagon indicated that the campus is working through budget items while anticipating some snow removal yet this year with the goal of achieving a positive year-end budget balance.
- The remainder of this year's bills will be brought to the Trustees in January.

6) Facilities report:

- Mr. Eagon indicated that the campus is planning to replace the recently repaired section of water main after the spring term.
- Mr. Eagon indicated that he has yet to assemble the procurement process for solar panels.

7) Improvements at 1655 University Drive:

- Mr. Eagon reported that he visited the site this morning. The space is starting to take shape with sheetrock and concrete block. The contractor still expects to complete work in January. When classes end in May, heavy engineering equipment will be moved into 1655 University Drive.
- The Trustees would like to schedule the February meeting at 1655 University Drive and would like to plan either a sneak preview or tour of the completed project for the county boards in late summer.

8) Dean's report:

- Interim Dean Keogh provided new information about the budget lapse that the campus is expected to pay back to the State. With use of UW Colleges institutional reserve funds, the campus portion of the lapse has been reduced to \$139,500 for this biennium which began this past summer. A concern is whether the governor will repeat this requirement in the next biennium and/or increase the pay-back amount should the Legislative Fiscal Bureau make even lower revenue projections. Campus leaders and the budget committee have met to discuss how to meet the budget cut requirements. It is likely that a reduction in course offering will, unfortunately, be a part of the response to the budget reduction Dr. Keogh reported that the students have organized to let state legislators know how they feel about the high proportion of the state's budget reduction being assessed to UW System campuses.
- Dr. Keogh told the Trustees that setting tuition levels is the responsibility of the UW Board of Regents.
- Dr. Keogh responded to a question about a recent article about a private developer planning to build student housing near campus stating that, as a private development, this project would not need any county funding and could include student programming. The campus is in contact with the developer for more information.
- Dr. Keogh stated that his interim status ends later this month. He believes that UWFox is a great place where great things happen and that he is appreciative of the very important work that the Trustees do in support of the campus. Dr. Keogh also said that he knows that Dr. Martin Rudd will be a very good dean and seems to be doing all the right things in preparation for his new role starting January 1.
- 9) The next meeting of the Trustees will be Monday, January 9, 2011, 10:30 a.m. in Room 1706.
- 10) Trustee Gosse moved and Trustee Barker seconded approval to adjourn the meeting. The motion was approved unanimously by voice vote and the meeting was adjourned at 11:10 a.m.
- T. Widener, Chair; J. McGuire, Recorder