
Trustee Mullen, Chair, convened the meeting.

Citizen Comment. Citizen Comment is a time regularly set aside for comments from the public. No one signed up to speak at the meeting.

Acceptance of Minutes. On a motion by Trustee Cyr, which was seconded by Trustee McCrum, the minutes for January 12-13, 2003, were unanimously approved as presented.

Chair’s Agenda and Report. Trustee Mullen welcomed everyone and thanked President Hensel and the staff at the University of Maine at Presque Isle for hosting the Board of Trustees.

Acceptance of the 2003-2004 Board Meeting Calendar. The Trustees have tentatively accepted the 2003-2004 Board Meeting Calendar but the times and locations maybe adjusted to ensure sufficient time for the deliberations and to do so in a cost effective manner. A confirmed calendar will be distributed in the near future.

Appointment of the Board of Trustees Chair Nominating Committee. Trustee Mullen announced the appointment of the Board of Trustees Chair Nominating Committee to include the following Trustees: Donald McDowell, Chair; Gregory Cyr, James Mullen, Sandra Prescott, and Lyndel Wishcamper. This committee will convene in early April for the purpose of nominating a new Chair and Vice Chair for the Board of Trustees to be approved at the June 2, 2003, Board meeting.

Trustee Mullen gave the following remarks:

In the committee meetings we have deliberated on a number of issues that would be normal items of business in normal times. Some of these issues have been a bit more problematic because we are not in normal times. The times are not normal because we know the legislative appropriations will be flat funded over next two years, which by itself creates a budget deficit for the UMS because of rapidly
rising health care costs and normal inflationary increases in all of the operating expenses. Our Chancellor, Presidents, and their staffs continue on this exercise of trimming costs and finding new ways to operate more efficiently. However, the enormities of the projected shortfalls lead us to conclude that some type of tuition increase would likely be enviable. Our challenge will be to keep this increase as low as possible while still delivering quality education and related educational services. Times are not normal for another reason. The transition of the Technical College System into the University College of Maine has far reaching but as yet largely undetermined implications. The University of Maine System has been the Community College of Maine for the past 25 years. Our seven campuses, ten centers, and one hundred sites have provided access to 35,000 students per year for some time. But over some time period this will change as many of these operations are, at least by definition, the new responsibilities of the new Community College System. While we know this will impact the UMS dramatically in coming years, the extent of the implications are unknown which puts the UMS in the uncomfortable position of having to make some current decisions with long range implications when we don’t know with any degree of certainty how all of the pieces of the higher education puzzle in Maine will fit together in the next few years. The pending changes will impact all areas – enrollment, staffing, budgets, costs, revenues, facilities, computer systems, curriculums, and on and on. In this environment of uncertainty the easiest solution might well be to just declare a moratorium on all actions and make no decisions on issues until the path ahead is at least as clear as it has been past. But to do that means running a considerable risk of falling behind in the basic objectives and missing out on opportunities for improvement now that will benefit or strengthen the UMS later. While I am convinced that over next few years we will be facing the most challenging times in the history of our System, I am also confident that these challenges will be met and the UMS will emerge the better for it. But to do so we can not stand still. To do so is to take an even greater risk that we will be passed by and left to deal with the forgone opportunities of inaction.

Chancellor’s Agenda and Reports.

The Chancellor gave the following remarks:

Enrollments at the University of Maine System are at an all time high. This is the worst time possible to have the kind of fiscal problems the UMS is experiencing. The UMS is doing everything that can be done at every level as we face this new budget challenge over the next biennium to have minimum impact on the ability of the students to have access to our institutions. This will be accomplished by keeping tuition down, enhancing quality, and strengthening partnerships. A Compact has been signed with the President of the Technical Community College System to coordinate how to move forward on a Community College agenda. The UMS will work with the state and all parties to make this process effective. The System is working hard reviewing business processes and academic programs to meet the budget challenges in the most cost effective manner.

Committee Reports/Action.

Academic Affairs Committee – Trustee Skinner, Chair, reported that the Committee agreed to forward to the full Board for action the 57 nominations for tenure submitted by the institutions of the University of Maine System in 2003. Approvals will take effect September 1, 2003.

Following is a complete listing of the tenure recipients:

UNIVERSITY OF MAINE
Aria Amirbahman, Promotion to Associate Professor of Civil and Environmental Engineering with tenure, College of Engineering

Darlene D. Bay, Promotion to Associate Professor of Accounting with tenure, College of Business, Public Policy & Health

Yong Chen, Promotion to Associate Professor for Fisheries Population Dynamics with tenure, College of Natural Sciences, Forestry and Agriculture

Harold Z. Daniel, Promotion to Associate Professor of Marketing with tenure, College of Business, Public Policy & Health

Lycombe S. Eko, Promotion to Associate Professor of Communication and Journalism with Tenure, College of Liberal Arts and Sciences

Brian G. Frederick, Promotion to Associate Professor of Chemistry with tenure, College of Liberal Arts and Sciences

Stephen French Gilson, Tenure at current rank of Associate Professor in Social Work, College of Business, Public Policy & Health

Rebecca L. Holberton, Tenure at present rank of Associate Professor of Biological Sciences, College of Natural Sciences, Forestry and Agriculture

Karen J. Horton, Promotion to Associate Professor of Mechanical Engineering Technology with tenure, College of Engineering

Ione Hunt von Herbing, Promotion to Associate Professor of Marine Sciences with tenure, College of Natural Sciences, Forestry and Agriculture

Scott E. Johnson, Promotion to Associate Professor of Structural Geology and Tectonics with tenure, College of Natural Sciences, Forestry and Agriculture

Ivan M. Manev, Promotion to Associate Professor of Management with tenure, College of Business, Public Policy & Health

Michael P. McCauley, Promotion to Associate Professor of Communication and Journalism with tenure, College of Liberal Arts and Sciences

Liam Riordan, Promotion to Associate Professor of History with tenure, College of Liberal Arts and Sciences

Judith M. Rhymer, Promotion to Associate Professor of Wildlife Ecology with tenure, College of Natural Sciences, Forestry and Agriculture

Mary E. Rumpho-Kennedy, Tenure at present rank of Professor of Biochemistry and Molecular Biology, College of Natural Sciences, Forestry and Agriculture

Marianne Sarrantonio, Promotion to Associate Professor of Sustainable Crop Production with tenure, College of Natural Sciences, Forestry and Agriculture

Denise I. Skonberg, Promotion to Associate Professor of Food Science and Human Nutrition with tenure, College of Natural Sciences, Forestry and Agriculture

Maureen E. Smith, Promotion to Associate Professor of History with tenure, College of Liberal Arts and Sciences
Touradj Solouki, Promotion to Associate Professor of Chemistry with tenure, College of Liberal Arts and Sciences

David M. Steiger, Tenure at present rank of Associate Professor of Management Information Systems, College of Business, Public Policy & Health

Nathan Edward Stormer, Promotion to Associate Professor of Communication and Journalism with tenure, College of Liberal Arts and Sciences

Sundarraman Subramanian, Promotion to Associate Professor of Mathematics and Statistics with tenure, College of Liberal Arts and Sciences

Andrew C. Thomas, Promotion to Professor of Oceanography with tenure, College of Natural Sciences, Forestry and Agriculture

Carl P. Tripp, Promotion to Professor of Chemistry with tenure, College of Liberal Arts and Sciences

Robert Gordon Wagner, Promotion to Professor of Forest Ecosystem Science with tenure, College of Natural Sciences, Forestry and Agriculture

Beth Wiemann, Promotion to Associate Professor of Music with tenure, College of Liberal Arts and Sciences

UNIVERSITY OF MAINE AT AUGusta

Frank Bean, Promotion to Associate Professor of Finance and Management with tenure, College of Mathematics and Professional Studies

Lisa Botshon, Promotion to Associate Professor of English with tenure, College of Arts and Humanities

UNIVERSITY OF MAINE AT FARMINGTON

Karen E. Barrett, Promotion to Associate Professor of Rehabilitation Services with tenure, College of Health, Education, and Rehabilitation

Graciela Lea Bryant, Promotion to Associate Professor of Community Health with tenure, College of Health, Education, and Rehabilitation

Mellisa A. Clawson, Promotion to Associate Professor of Early Childhood Education with tenure, College of Education, Health, and Rehabilitation

Gretchen T. Legler, Tenure at present rank of Associate Professor of English, College of Arts and Sciences

Sarah Maline, Promotion to Associate Professor of Art History with tenure, College of Arts and Sciences

Cathryn A. Wimett, Promotion to Associate Professor of Literacy Education with tenure, College of Health, Education, and Rehabilitation

UNIVERSITY OF MAINE AT FORT KENT

Jenny Radsma, Promotion to Associate Professor of Nursing with tenure, Division of Nursing

Roger A. Roy, Promotion to Associate Professor of Mathematics and Business with tenure, Division of Natural & Behavioral Sciences
UNIVERSITY OF MAINE AT MACHIAS

Cynthia Ellen Huggins, Promotion to Associate Professor of English with tenure, Arts and Letters Division

Marcus LiBrizzi, Promotion to Associate Professor of English with tenure, Arts and Letters Division

UNIVERSITY OF MAINE AT PRESQUE ISLE

Andrea M. Gormen Gelder, Promotion to Associate Professor of Biology with tenure, Department of Science and Mathematics

Michael A. Knopp, Promotion to Associate Professor of Chemistry with tenure, Department of Science and Mathematics

Allen L. Salo, Promotion to Associate Professor of Psychology with tenure, Department of Psychology, Social Work and Criminal Justice

UNIVERSITY OF SOUTHERN MAINE

Roxie Black, Tenure at present rank of Associate Professor of Occupational Therapy, Lewiston-Auburn College

Janis C. Childs, Promotion to Associate Professor of Nursing with tenure, College of Nursing and Health Professions

Tara Grey Coste, Promotion to Associate Professor of Leadership and Organizational Studies with tenure, Lewiston-Auburn College

S. Monroe Duboise, Promotion to Associate Professor of Applied Immunology with tenure, School of Applied Science, Engineering and Technology

Maureen G. Elgersman Lee, Promotion to Associate Professor of History with tenure, College of Arts and Sciences

Deborah H. (Desi) Larson, Promotion to Associate Professor of Human Resource Development with tenure, College of Education and Human Development

Vaishali Mamgain, Promotion to Associate Professor of Economics with tenure, College of Arts and Sciences

Jeanne Lauren Munger, Promotion to Associate Professor of Marketing with tenure, School of Business

Paul A. Nakroshis, Promotion to Associate Professor of Physics with tenure, College of Arts and Sciences

David Christopher Powell, Promotion to Associate Professor of Criminology with tenure, College of Arts and Sciences

Shelton Waldrep, Promotion to Associate Professor of English with tenure, College of Arts and Sciences

Finance/Facilities Committee – Trustee McCrum, Chair, reported that the Committee agreed to forward to the full Board for action the revisions to Board Policies Sections 703 and 709, the exchange of properties at UMPI, the lease of office space for the Muskie School at USM, the naming of a residence hall at UM, a new residence hall at UMFK, and an intent to undertake a major
fundraising campaign at UM and UMF. The Committee also reviewed the Capital Projects Report covering capital projects greater than $250,000, the 5-year Capital Plan, an overview of the Property and Casualty Insurance and Risk Management, and the spring enrollments.

Human Resources and Labor Relations Committee – Trustee Weston, Chair, reported that the Committee agreed to forward to the full Board for action the appointments of Jeffery D. Gramlich, LL Bean/Lee Surace Endowed Chair in Accounting and Professor of Accounting with Tenure at USM; Patrick Nero, Director of Athletics at UM; Robert F. Scott, Jr., Vice President for Academic Affairs at UMFK; C.E. VanZandt, Dean of Lewiston-Auburn College at USM; Katherine W. Yardley, Dean of the College of Education, Health and Rehabilitation at UMF.

The Committee reviewed a comprehensive report on the Strategic Health Initiative which indicated we are looking at all opportunities and managing costs. However, our costs will continue to increase by 22% in FY04 and potentially 18% beyond FY04. The Committee also discussed proposed agenda items for future meetings.

Investment Committee – Trustee Mullen reported that the Committee met on March 7th. Highlights from the meeting include: the Endowment Fund had over $70.4 million in assets as of 12/31/02, returning 6.4% during the quarter which ranked it in the 11th percentile in all endowment funds. The Defined Contribution Pension Plan had assets of $54.4 million as of 12/31/02, with 50% of its assets invested in equities. The plan gained 4.5% for the quarter. Through February 2003, the Operating Cash Fund has returned 4.7% on a fiscal year-to-date basis.

Student Affairs Committee – Trustee Prescott, Chair, reported that the Committee reviewed the student conduct code and the responsibility of the Student Affairs Committee and the Board of Trustees to approve the Code at the June meeting.

Consent Agenda. On a motion by Trustee McCrum, which was seconded by Trustee Wishcamper, the following recommendations were unanimously approved by the Board:

- **Honorary Degree.** The Board of Trustees approved the 2003 nomination for Honorary Degree for the University of Maine at Fort Kent as presented.

- **Revisions to Board of Trustee Policies Section 703 and 709.** The Board of Trustees approved the suggested changes to Board Policy 703 on Tuition and Board Policy 709 on Investment.

- **Facilities Action Items.** The Board of Trustees authorized the exchange of 2.70 acres of land in Presque Isle, Maine between the University of Maine System and Maine Public Service, at no cost, with the exchange being contingent upon approval of all documents by University Counsel.

  The Board of Trustees authorized the lease of 8,000 square feet of office space at 509 Forest Avenue, Portland, on behalf of the Muskie School of Public Service, with funding provided from Indirect Cost Recovery funds, and contingent upon approval of all documents by University Counsel.

  The Board of Trustees approved the naming of the University of Maine’s newest campus residence complex Edith Patch Hall.

- **UMKF Residence Hall.** The Board of Trustees authorized the construction of a 150-bed dormitory at the University of Maine at Fort Kent at a total cost of approximately $7 million, and authorized the Treasurer to issue revenue bonds for the project with debt service being paid from student fees. The Board of Trustees also approved the Reimbursement Resolution
and authorized the Treasurer to issue bonds for this project, contingent upon sufficient bonding authority approved by the state.

**UM Intent to Undertake a Major Fundraising Campaign.** The Board of Trustees authorized a major fundraising campaign for $3 million to provide needed enhancements for the Harold Alfond Arena Complex and the Shawn Walsh Hockey Center at the University of Maine.

**UMF Intent to Undertake a Major Fundraising Campaign.** The Board of Trustees authorized a major fundraising campaign for $3.115 million to complete funding for a new Education Center at the University of Maine at Farmington.

**Appointments for Trustee Approval.** The Board of Trustees approved the appointments to positions at or above the level of Dean or equivalent and appointments as Professor with tenure as recommended by the Chancellor, as follows:

- Jeffery D. Gramlich, LL Bean/Lee Surace Endowed Chair in Accounting and Professor of Accounting with Tenure, USM
- Patrick Nero, Director of Athletics, UM
- Robert F. Scott, Jr., Vice President of Academic Affairs, UMFK
- C. E. VanZandt, Dean of Lewiston-Auburn College, USM
- Katherine W. Yardley, Dean of the College of Education, Health and Rehabilitation, UMF

**Tenure Nominations 2003.** The Board of Trustees approved the nominations for tenure submitted by the institutions of the University of Maine System in 2003. Approvals will take effect September 1, 2003.

**Information Items.** The following items were included in the agenda for information only:
- Overview of the University of Maine System Student Conduct Code
- Facilities Information Items: Capital Project Status Report and the 5 Year Capital Plan
- Overview of the Property and Casualty Insurance and Risk Management
- Official FY2003 Spring Enrollments
- Update on Strategic Health Initiative
- Human Resources and Labor Relations Committee: Proposed Topics for Committee Briefings and Discussions
- Board Agenda Calendar
- Summary of Current Statistics

**Date of the Next Meeting.** The next meeting of the Board of Trustees will be June 1-2, 2003, at the University of Southern Maine. The July 2003, Board of Trustees meeting is cancelled.

Adjournment

Ellen Doughty for
J. Kelley Wiltbank, Clerk