

**Minutes of the Quarterly Meeting of the Board of Regents
Murray State University
September 13, 2024**

Call to Order/Roll Call

The Murray State University (MSU) Board of Regents met on Friday, September 13, 2024, in

- a. Missouri Valley Conference Academic Year 2024-25*
 - b. Missouri Valley Football Conference Academic Year 2024-25*
 - c. Ohio Valley Conference Academic Year 2024-25*
- C. Audit and Compliance Regent Waldrop
- 1) Office of Internal Audit Internal Audit Charter Reaffirmation*
- D. Buildings and Grounds Regent Roark
- 1) Program Statements
- a. Martha Layne Collins Center for Industry and Technology Emergency Generator, Air Handler Unit #05 and Building Automation Systems Controls Replacement*
 - b. Susan E. Bauernfeind Wellness Center Pool HVAC Unit and Building Automation Systems Controls Replacement*
- 2) Razing of Property 501 North 16th Street*
- E. Enrollment Management and Student Success Regent Meinschein
- F. Finance Vice Chair Fitch
- 1) Projects*
 - 2) Personal Services Contracts*
 - 3) Surplus Property Disposition*
 - 4) Property Acquisition 501 North 16th Street*

Other Business

Chair Owens

Adjournment

Chair Owens

(*Requires Board of Regents Action)

Swearing-In Ceremony Mr. Brendan Hawkins, conducted

Chair Owens welcomed Calloway County Judge-Executive Kenny Imes to the meeting and expressed appreciation for his willingness to serve the University in this capacity. Judge-Executive Imes administered the Kentucky Constitutional Oath of Office, pursuant to Section 228, to Mr. Brendan Hawkins. The students of Murray State University elected Mr. Hawkins to serve as President of the Student Government Association (SGA) and the individual holding that position also serves as Student Regent. Appreciation was expressed to Mr. Hawkins for his willingness to serve the University in this capacity and all look forward to working with him. Regent Hawkins received a round of applause.

Public Participation

Chair Owens reported there were no signees for the Public Participation portion of the meeting.

Consent Agenda, approved

Chair Owens reported that the following action and “For Information Only” items were included on the Consent Agenda for approval/acceptance (action items denoted with an asterisk):

Minutes of the Quarterly Meeting and Committee Meetings of the Board of Regents on June 7, 2024*

Audit and Compliance Committee – Office of Internal Audit – Summary of Presidential

Travel Report (For Information OnhJTJETQ EMC /P MCID 5BDC q0.00000912 0 612 1008 reW* n008 re

Chair Owens reported that this Board is responsible for the reaffirmation of the President's

The Statement of Revenues and Expenses for the Education and General Fund is what the University uses to pay its expenses – salaries, fringe benefits and utilities and insurance – as examples. The University met its Education and General Fund budget and expended within that budget but there was no excess. A very tight budget was anticipated when it was originally approved by the Board. From a performance standpoint, the University broke even. A chart was also provided showing the impact of the pension numbers to the Education and General Fund.

Regent Ovey

Missouri Valley Conference Academic Year 2024-25, consented

Consistent with National Collegiate Athletic Association requirements related to institutional control of intercollegiate athletics, the Board of Regents is asked each year to consent that the authority for the administration of the Athletics Program is delegated to the Chief Executive Officer.

On behalf of the Athletics Committee, Regent Price moved that the Board of Regents, upon the recommendation of the President of the University, consent to the Governing Board Certification as it pertains to the National Collegiate Athletic Association and the Missouri Valley Conference for Academic Year 2024-25.

Office of Internal Audit

Construction of the Martha Layne Collins Center for Industry and Technology building began in 1990 and the facility opened in September of 1991. The building is named for Kentucky's first female Governor – Martha Layne Collins. The total area of the building is 132,318 square feet. It is comprised of two levels with a mixture of classrooms, laboratories and office spaces. It is home to the Information Systems Department, the University Data Center and the Jesse D. Jones College of Science, Engineering and Technology. Some of the programs that call this building home are the Department of Occupational Safety and Health, Cybersecurity and Network Management and Construction and Architecture Management.

As reported during the Retreat, the original-life safety generator has failed and needs to be replaced. The new generator is proposed to be installed on the exterior of the building. The Air Handler Unit (AHU) #05 is original to the building and is at a point that it needs to be replaced. The updates needed to the current Building Automation Systems (BAS) controls cost more than a new control system. Many of the individual room controls are out of date, no longer work and parts are obsolete.

The Martha Layne Collins Center for Industry and Technology building is one of the priorities in

Adjournment

The Buildings and Grounds Committee adjourned at 9:05 a.m.

Enrollment Management and Student Success Committee

David Meinschein – Chair
Robbie Fitch
G. L. Ovey
Melony Shemberger

Enrollment Management and Student Success Committee Chair Meinschein reported that the Board received a detailed Enrollment and Recruitment Report during the Annual Retreat yesterday from Vice President Robertson. There are no additional agenda items to come before the Committee. He did ask the Board to review the performance metrics that were presented during the Retreat because the University is excelling in all these areas.

Finance Committee

Robbie Fitch – Chair
Virginia Gray
David Meinschein
Leon Owens
Melony Shemberger

In Vice Chair Fitch's absence, Chair Owens called the Buildings and Grounds Committee to order at 9:10 a.m. and reported all other members were present.

Projects, approved

Chair Owens reported that Delegation of Authority Item #20 states that "...Prior to moving forward, all projects, including price contracts related to capital projects, costing over \$500,000 and up to the threshold denoted by Kentucky statute should be reviewed by the Board Chair

with the property highlighted in yellow and reflected the boundaries of this parking project. The Board received a full presentation on this project during the Retreat yesterday.

President Jackson added that he had talked with Colonel Larimer for 20 plus years regarding the purchase of this property but he also used to work at Murray State. He was one of the University's early Rifle Coaches in the 1950s. He has always been very supportive of and helpful to the University. All are grateful to Colonel Larimer's family who handled the estate for expediting the sale. Appreciation was also expressed to Senior Vice President Dudley, General Counsel Miller and a local attorney for working through this process since Colonel Larimer's

Naming Opportunity

Executive Director Bernot reported that the CFSB Center is a multipurpose arena in Murray, Kentucky. Completed in 1998, it serves as the home court for the Murray State University Racer Basketball teams and is a cornerstone of the University's athletic and cultural life, fostering school spirit and community engagement. The CFSB Center features state-of-the-art amenities and has become a central hub for University-related and regional events, contributing significantly to the local economy and the University's prominence. The CFSB Center is a bustling hub of activity for Athletic staff and student-athletes daily. It and the adjoining Gene W. Ray Center house the Men's and Women's Basketball coaching staff, performance and training area and other facilities essential for the day-to-day administrative operations of the University's athletic programs.

Leon Owens, President of Paducah-based Swift & Staley, Incorporated, has shown exceptional leadership and dedication and brought his extensive industry experience and expertise to benefit the University. His professional background – including his roles as a Human Resource Manager, Operations and Maintenance Manager, Corporate Development Manager and Chief Operating Officer – has been instrumental in the University's growth and development.

Mr. Owens' involvement in the community is not just a personal endeavor but a reflection of his shared commitment to the University and his desire to make a positive impact. His Board positions at the Paducah Area Chamber of Commerce and Paducah-McCracken County Joint Sewer Agency and his role as Vice President of Portsmouth Mission Alliance, demonstrate his dedication to community service and alignment with the University's values.

Mr. Owens' commitment to education is evident through his academic achievements. He earned a bachelor's degree in Political Science from Eastern Illinois University and a master's degree in Business Administration from Murray State University. His involvement as a Board member of various organizations further demonstrates his commitment to the betterment of the community. His genuine interest in student-athletes and unwavering support for the University goes beyond financial contributions. Mr. Owens' mentorship and advocacy have impacted many individuals in the Murray State University Athletics community. Regent Owens was also congratulated for

in recognition of Regent Leon Owen's
outstanding support and commitment to Murray State University and its Athletics program with
a recognition plaque at the CFSB Center's main administrative and performance space entrance.
Regent Shemberger seconded and the motion carried.

Reconvene

Chair Owens reconvened the Quarterly and Committee meetings of the Board of Regents at 9:45 a.m.

Policy Changes

President Jackson reported that the Board is being asked to approve the second reading of two policy changes. The Board has already approved the first reading of these policies.

Faculty Handbook Section 3.6.4. Office of the Registrar Grade Reporting Policy Revisions (second reading), approved

Provost Todd reported that the *Faculty Handbook* is designed to provide members of the faculty access to basic information in policies, procedures, benefits, services, rules and regulations that are of importance to them as teaching personnel employed at Murray State University. The following update to *Faculty Handbook* –

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