MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE MICHIGAN STATE UNIVERSITY BOARD OF TRUSTEES

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The Trustee Finance Committee and the Trustee Policy Committee meetings were held in the Board Room of the Administration Building beginning at 9:00 a.m. on Friday, October 13, 1995. Minutes of the meetings are on file in the Office of the Secretary of the Board of Trustees.

The meeting of the Board of Trustees was called to order by President McPherson at 11:33 a.m. in the Board Room.

Trustees present: Dolores M. Cook, Russell G. Mawby, Colleen McNamara, Donald W. Nugent, John D. Shingleton, Bob Traxler, and Robert E. Weiss.

Trustee absent: Dorothy Gonzales.

University officers present: President McPherson, Provost Simon, Secretary Pogel, General Counsel and Vice President Noto, Vice Presidents Denbow, Greenleaf, Pierre, Webb, Wilkinson, and Acting Vice President June. Faculty Liaison representatives present: Carla Carleton, Maureen McDonough, Deborah Moriarty, and Charles Nelson. Student Liaison representatives present: Bernadette Donohue, Sha-Ron Hampton, and Matthew Nelson.

All actions taken were by unanimous vote of the Trustees present, unless otherwise noted.

1. On a motion by Dr. Mawby, supported by Mr. Shingleton, THE BOARD VOTED to approve the proposed agenda.

2. On a motion by Mr. Shingleton, supported by Dr. Mawby, THE BOARD VOTED to approve the minutes of the Board meetings of July 14, 1995 and August 25, 1995.

3. The President's report included the following:

   A. At the request of President McPherson, Provost Simon recognized Dr. Marcos Dantus, Assistant Professor of Chemistry, who is one of 20 national recipients of a Packard fellowship in the amount of $500,000. The Packard fellowship is an extraordinary prestigious award that is given to those who are determined to be the brightest young scientists and engineers in the country.

   Dr. Dantus reported he will dedicate the funds primarily to educating and supporting graduate and undergraduate students, as well as one postdoctoral fellow, and to furthering his research in molecular motion.

   B. Trustee Don Nugent was congratulated for receiving the Co-packer of the Year Award from Ocean Spray Cranberries.

   C. The President commented on the press release that identified anticipated technology-focused efforts associated with the $10.4 million received from the State.

   D. MSU's national championship Debate Team was honored at a reception at Cowles House recently which Governor Engler attended. President McPherson noted there is a range of different University groups that have received national championships.

4. The President introduced Vice President Greenleaf who will be reporting regularly to the Board on the status of various initiatives that advance the Guiding Principles.

   Vice President Greenleaf reported on a plan to enhance the international scope of the University by better preparing students to live in an international community and work in a global economy.
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A task force chaired by Dr. John Hudzik, Associate Dean of Social Science, expects to have a report of recommendations available within the next week or two. Mr. Greenleaf highlighted several points of the Task Force's deliberations. The Task Force was brought together with assumptions on their part that: 1) MSU is already a leader in overseas study since approximately 1,000 students a year study in another country, and 2) the University needs to do more. The report contains numerous recommendations such as every undergraduate student at MSU ought to have the opportunity to study abroad and the majority of the programs should be offered at a cost not greater than the cost incurred if a student were to remain on the campus in East Lansing. The Task Force is leaning toward having a variety of different lengths and types of programs such as more non-European opportunities.

The goal of the Task Force is that by year 2006 approximately 40% of the graduating seniors will have participated in an international program while at MSU. If this is accomplished over the next 10 years, MSU will become the first major public University in the country to provide such an extensive program in overseas study.

5. There were no requests for public participation on issues germane to the agenda.

6. Personnel Actions

A. Appointments

1) Moch, Leslie P., AY-Professor, Department of History, $62,500, with Tenure, effective January 1, 1996.
2) LaLonde, Robert J., AY-Associate Professor, Department of Economics, $65,000, with Tenure, effective August 16, 1995.
3) Rice, Kenneth G., AY-Associate Professor, Department of Counseling, Educational Psychology and Special Education, $47,000, with Tenure, effective January 1, 1996.
4) Neighbors, Harold W., AY-Professor, Dean's Office, College of Human Medicine, $69,750, with Tenure, effective August 16, 1995.
5) Abela, George S., AN-Professor, Department of Medicine, $120,000, with Tenure, effective August 1, 1995.
6) Garavito, R. Michael, AY-Associate Professor, Department of Biochemistry, $50,000, with Tenure, effective August 16, 1995.

B. Other Personnel Actions

1) Leiro, George E., AN-Professor and Associate Dean, Dean's Office, College of Natural Science; Department of Chemistry, to change title to Acting Dean and a change in salary rate from $110,170 to $120,170, effective August 16, 1995, and for a change in salary rate from $113,579 to $123,579, effective October 1, 1995.
2) Grandstaff, Marvin E., AY-Professor, Department of Educational Administration, to add title Secretary of Academic Governance, Office of Assistant Provost and Vice President for Academic Human Resources and a change in salary rate from $59,055 to $61,555, effective August 16, 1995, and for a change in salary rate from $60,783 to $63,283, effective October 1, 1995.

C. Information Reports of Academic Personnel Actions of July 28, 1995, August 25, 1995, and September 29, 1995 were distributed with the Board Agenda and are included with the agenda materials in the Office of the Secretary of the Board of Trustees.

Provost Simon provided educational and background information on the individuals being presented for faculty Appointments and Other Personnel Actions. She said that these academic appointments represent extraordinary additions to the faculty.

Vice President Wilkinson presented the personnel action regarding Head Hockey Coach Mason.

On a motion by Dr. Mawby, supported by Mr. Shingleton, THE BOARD VOTED to approve the Appointments and Other Personnel Actions.
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7. The Gift, Grant and Contract Report was presented by Vice President Pierre for the period of May 13, 1995 through September 15, 1995. The report is a compilation of 575 Gifts, Grants and Contracts, 74 Consignment/Non-Cash Gifts, and 1 Consignment/Non-Cash Loan with a total value of $61,881,958.03. The report is included with the Board Agenda in the Office of the Secretary of the Board of Trustees.

On a motion by Dr. Mawby, supported by Ms. Cook, THE BOARD VOTED to approve the Gift, Grant and Contract Report.

8. The Trustee Finance Committee report and recommendations were presented by Trustee Traxler as follows:

A. Bids and Contract Awards were recommended as follows:

1) a contract in the amount of $18,737,710 be awarded to Granger Construction Company, of Lansing, Michigan, and that a budget in the amount of $24,213,000 be established for the project entitled: Food Safety/Toxicology Center - Laboratory Building.

On a motion by Mr. Shingleton, THE BOARD VOTED to approve the recommendation.

2) a contract in the amount of $449,691 be awarded to Advanced Refrigeration, Inc., of Rockford, Michigan, and that a budget in the amount of $547,000 be established for the project entitled: Food Stores - Replace Refrigeration System.

3) a contract in the amount of $255,700 be awarded to Haussman Construction Company, Inc., of Lansing, Michigan, and that a budget in the amount of $330,000 be established for the project entitled: Food Stores - Replace Freezer Roof.

B. Selection of Architect/Engineers:

1) appointment of Redstone Architects of Southfield, Michigan, as the Architect/Engineer for the project entitled: Radiology Addition to Clinical Center.

2) appointment of Ghafari Associates of Dearborn, Michigan, as the Architect/Engineer for the project entitled: Student Athlete Academic Services Support Center.

C. Establishment of the Norbert Wiener Endowed Fund as a fund functioning as an endowment.

D. Authorization that the University enter into a joint venture with Michigan Capital Medical Center (MCMC) and the University of Michigan (UM) to construct and operate a radiation oncology facility at MCMC, that an internal loan of up to $2 million be authorized to finance MSU's share of the construction and working capital cost of the facility, and that the administration be authorized to execute agreements as appropriate to implement this project.

Further, recognizing the commitment of Michigan State University to a comprehensive and coherent strategy for health care in the Lansing area, the Board of Trustees expect the administration to work diligently to find a practical way to include Sparrow Hospital in the joint venture on radiation oncology that brings advanced technology currently unavailable in the community. Any agreement must serve to strengthen the academic program and the interests of Michigan State University and its health programs.

E. Acceptance of the 1994-95 financial report and report of independent auditors as the official financial report of the University.

F. Adoption of the 1996-97 and 1997-98 Budget Request Guidelines, including operating needs for the University General Fund, the Agricultural Experiment Station, and the Michigan State University Extension.

G. Adoption of a resolution calling for the State Building Authority to reconvey title to the Veterinary Clinical Center to the University by quitclaim deed and authorize the Vice President for Finance and Operations and/or the Assistant Vice President for Finance to execute the necessary documents to complete this transaction.
H. Modification of the University Non-Contributory Retirement Plan (UNCRP), effective January 1, 1996, to provide a 15% increase in benefit levels to all individuals receiving benefits only from the UNCRP, as well as those receiving frozen benefits who retired prior to April 1, 1969, and those receiving comparison benefits who retired prior to April 1, 1983.

On a motion by Mr. Traxler, supported by Mr. Shingleton, THE BOARD VOTED to approve the recommendations.

I. The Finance Committee received a report on the University's Real Property Holdings prepared by the Land Management office.

9. Committee Chairperson Cook reported the Trustee Policy Committee agenda had been amended to include consideration of "Ordinance 29.00 - Smoking" as an action item.

A. It was recommended that "Michigan State University Ordinance 29.00 - Smoking" be amended to make violation of the policy a civil infraction, enforceable by MSU Police and Public Safety.

29.00 Smoking
   29.01* Prohibited Areas
   29.02* Prohibit Sale of Tobacco Products
   29.03* Ordinance Applicable to Facilities and Vehicles

.01* No person shall smoke in any closed space, regardless of location, except specifically designated private residential space and hotel rooms. Smoking will not be permitted near exits and entrances of buildings, except at a reasonable distance or unless otherwise designated.

.02* Cigarettes and other tobacco products may not be sold on university grounds.

.03* This smoke-free Ordinance applies to all Michigan State University facilities and vehicles, owned or leased.

On a motion by Mr. Weiss, supported by Dr. Mawby, THE BOARD VOTED to approve the recommendation.

B. Ms. Cook reported that Provost Simon presented the Fall, 1995 Enrollment Report and Vice President Denbow presented the video Annual Report of the Division of University Relations.

10. Chairperson's Report and Trustees' Comments

A. Dr. Mawby complimented the staff and faculty for their work on recent substantive issues. He also remarked that one privilege of being a Trustee is to have the opportunity to visit faculty and students in their laboratories. He commented about the Trustees' visit to the College of Engineering Biomechanics Evaluation Laboratory and the Biodynamics Research Laboratory under the leadership of Dr. Robert Soutas-Little, and dedication of the Technology Exploration Center in the College of Education. Chairperson Mawby said it was interesting to see fulfillment of the land-grant philosophy of research, teaching, and service/outreach in each of these laboratories.

B. Trustees' Comments:

1) Mr. Weiss commented that it had been a pleasure to work with everyone on the recent projects being considered by the Board. He commended the Board and administration for moving forward with the Student Athlete Academic Center which is evidence of a commitment to student athletes. In addition, the oncology center is a commitment to community-wide health care, keeping costs low, and benefiting everybody.

2) Mr. Shingleton remarked that the University is in a dynamic state of leadership which he hopes is felt by everyone on campus. He believes the joint agreement of the radiology/oncology facility will benefit the community tremendously.
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3) Mr. Nugent said he would echo the comments of other Trustees that the field trips to laboratories were most interesting. He thanked the Trustees and administration for coming to Traverse City for the July Board meeting. Trustee Nugent provided an update on the University Center at Northwestern Michigan College which is now open. MSU has an office in a prominent location on the ground floor so that its leadership and involvement is recognized.

4) Ms. McNamara said she wanted to reiterate what other Trustees had said about the last couple of days.

5) Mr. Traxler commented on Provost Simon's presentation on enrollment and asked about the reliability of test scores. Dr. Simon responded that Michigan State, as well as all major universities, rely on test scores, grade point averages, and other assessments of the student's potential characteristics.

6) Ms. Cook reported on her attendance at a special event at Wharton Center to honor the late Catherine Herrick Cobb. She commented on the quality of the Cobb Endowed Scholarship students, most of whom are students of Professor Deborah Moriarty, a Faculty Liaison. Trustee Cook noted that MSU's graduate School of Music was named as one of the top 25 graduate programs in the country.

Ms. Cook remarked she was pleased to read about the graduates of MSU's weekend masters program in Family and Child Ecology in St. Clair County.

11. An Executive Session was not requested.

12. The following individual addressed the Board of Trustees on issues not germane to the agenda.

A. Mr. Gordon Carlisle, former Director of Venture Development, petitioned for an investigation of matters that he believes may be inconsistent with the guiding principles for the University. He questioned whether the University has managed its resources adequately and whether people really matter at MSU. He reported that he was brought to the University two and one-half years ago to direct the University Corporate Research Park and now does not believe the University has a commitment to a research park or to support faculty entrepreneurship. He would like closure with him on these matters.

13. The meeting adjourned at 12:32 p.m. Board Members were joined at lunch by Executive Officers, Faculty Liaisons, and Student Liaisons.

Peter McPherson, President

Nancy H. Pogel, Ph.D., Secretary