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BOARD OF REGENTS

University Development Committee
August 3, 2006

The Board of Regents, Midwestern State University, met in regular session in the Board Room, Hardin Administration Building, Wichita Falls, Texas, at 4:42 p.m., Thursday, August 3, 2006. University Development Committee members in attendance were Ms. Pat Haywood and Mr. David Stephens. Mr. Cannedy indicated that he would chair this committee meeting. Other regents attending the meeting were Mr. John Bridgman, Ms. Pamela Gough, Mr. Munir Lalani, Mr. David Stephens, Mr. Ben Wible, and Student Regent Will Morefield.

Administrative staff members present included Dr. Jesse W. Rogers, President; Dr. Friederike Wiedemann, Provost; Mr. Juan Sandoval, Vice President for Administration and Finance; Dr. Howard Farrell, Vice President for University Advancement and Student Affairs; Dr. Bob Clark, Associate Provost; and Mr. Keith Lamb, Associate Vice President for Student Affairs. Other university personnel attending the meeting included Mr. David Spencer, Internal Auditor; Dr. David Tucker, Chairperson of the MSU Faculty Senate; Ms. Dianne Weakley, Director of Personnel; Ms. Julie Gaynor, Public Information and Marketing Assistant; Ms. Cindy Ashlock, Assistant to the President; and Ms. Debbie Barrow, Executive Assistant to the President.

Acting Chairperson Cannedy called the meeting to order at 4:42 p.m.

Reading and Approval of Minutes
06-170. The minutes of the University Development Committee meeting May 11, 2006, were approved as presented.

Summary of Gifts, Grants and Pledges 9/1/05-7/07/06
06-171. This report was presented as a point of information only. Dr. Farrell noted the following individual gifts included in this summary.

A. MSU received $40,000 from the Welch Foundation. This is the second year of a three-year grant for the chemistry department.

B. The Waggoner Foundation provided $15,000 for health science scholarships for the upcoming year.

C. Health science scholarships for the fall term will be awarded from the $10,000 grant provided by the Wichita County Educational Foundation.

D. The Roy Watts Scholarship Endowment was funded with a $12,000 gift from Mr. Phillip Keeter. Recipients will be graduates of Iowa Park High School.

E. Upward Bound received funding of $286,813 for the summer 2006 program.
F. University gifts and grants thus far in 2005-2006 have exceeded $8.5 million. The previous high for the university was $7 million in 1997-98.

Dr. Farrell added that the Annual Fund has raised $250,000 in 2005-2006. He announced that the new goal in 2006-2007 will be $400,000. Mr. Cannedy noted that none of the expenses of the Annual Fund Department are paid from the funds that are raised.

Dr. Rogers noted that athletics fund raising is now being coordinated through Dr. Farrell as Vice President for University Development and Student Affairs.

Naming of University Facilities and Administrative Entities

06-172. Mr. Cannedy noted that in accordance with university policy the administration made the following recommendations concerning the naming of various areas within the Midwestern State University campus.

A. In recognition of the very generous gift from The Priddy Foundation toward the construction of the Dillard College of Business Administration building, it was recommended that the large conference room located on the second floor of the building be designated The Priddy Foundation Conference Room.

B. In recognition of Dr. Tom Haywood’s dedication and service to Midwestern State University as a professor of physics, administrator, and later Senator of District 30 of the State of Texas, it is recommended that the entry foyer of Bolin Science Hall be named in honor of Tom Haywood.

Mr. Stephens moved approval of these recommendations as presented. Mr. Cannedy seconded the motion.

Dr. Rogers commented that over the years The Priddy Foundation has been extremely supportive of Midwestern State University and the Wichita Falls community. He expressed his appreciation to the foundation for this gift, which helped make possible the building of this new facility.

Dr. Rogers indicated that Dr. Tom Haywood was a great friend and a great teacher. He went on from the university to lead the North Texas Oil & Gas Association and then served as Texas State Senator. He indicated that he was pleased to recommend this naming.

The motion was approved, with Ms. Haywood abstaining.

Legacy Walk

06-173. Mr. Cannedy presented the administration’s recommendation to add Dr. Louis J. Rodriguez to Legacy Walk in recognition of his outstanding contributions to Midwestern State University.

Mr. Cannedy noted that Dr. Rodriguez served as President of Midwestern State University from January 1981 through August 2000. He was also a tenured faculty
member at MSU and served as Professor of Economics. During his presidency, enrollment rose from 4,400 to 5,800 students. In 1990, the student body represented 10 states and 10 foreign countries; by the end of Dr. Rodriguez’s tenure as president, every state and 39 foreign countries were represented. Between 1981 and 2000, the university received over $50 million in gifts and grants, with a record $7 million being raised in 1997-1998. Dr. Rodriguez was the longest serving president of Midwestern State University; his legacy will continue for many years to come.

Dr. Rogers stated that Dr. Rodriguez was a great leader and scholar. He added that everything Dr. Rodriguez did was for Midwestern State University and not for himself. He stated that he was delighted to recommend this addition to Legacy Walk.

Ms. Haywood moved approval of this recommendation. Mr. Stephens seconded the motion and it was approved.

Adjournment
There being no further business, the University Development Committee discussion concluded at 4:55 p.m.

Reviewed for submission:

Mac Cannedy, Jr., Acting Chairperson
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