

**MINUTES
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**University Development Committee
May 11, 2006**

The Board of Regents, Midwestern State University, met in regular session in the Board Room, Hardin Administration Building, Wichita Falls, Texas, at 5:05 p.m., Thursday, May 11, 2006. University Development Committee members in attendance were Mr. Don Ross Malone, Chairperson; Mr. Stephen Gustafson; and Ms. Pat Haywood. Other regents attending the meeting were Mr. John Bridgman, Mr. Mac Cannedy, Jr., Ms. Pamela Gough, Mr. Munir Lalani, 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; and Dr. Bob Clark, Associate Provost. Other university personnel attending the meeting included Mr. David Spencer, Internal Auditor; Dr. David Tucker, Chairperson of the MSU Faculty Senate; Mr. Kurt Portmann, Director of Athletics; Ms. Janus Buss, Director of Public Information and Marketing; and Ms. Debbie Barrow, Executive Assistant to the President. Mr. Jason York, Student Government Association Observer, also attended the meeting.

Chairperson Malone called the meeting to order at 5:05 p.m.

Reading and Approval of Minutes

06-123. The minutes of the University Development Committee meeting February 9, 2006, were approved as presented.

Report on Scholarship Support Provided by Wichita Falls Businesses 2005-2006

06-124. Mr. Malone pointed out the listing of scholarship support provided by Wichita Falls businesses which was included as part of the agenda document. This report was presented as a point of information only.

Ms. Haywood indicated that she was impressed with this list and asked if the number of businesses supporting the university in this way was growing. Dr. Farrell responded that the number is growing and more is needed.

Summary of Gifts, Grants and Pledges 9/1/05-4/14/06

06-125. This report was presented as a point of information only. Dr. Farrell noted the following individual gifts included in this summary.

1. MSU received \$500,000 from the Priddy Foundation for campus improvements. This is the second of three installments.
2. Peggy Gordon contributed \$15,000 to the Bessie Sellers King Education Endowment. Ms. Gordon established this endowment in honor of her mother.

3. The Work Services Corporation added another \$10,000 to its scholarship endowment for disabled students.
4. The Roy and Gretta Hogan Foundation donated \$10,000 to its unrestricted endowment.

Dr. Farrell reported that the goal of the Annual Fund for 2005-2006 was \$200,000 and this amount has already been surpassed. Additionally, MSU's alumni giving percentage has risen to 7.6%. This means that the alumni giving rate at MSU has surpassed that of Sam Houston State University, Stephen F. Austin, Texas A&M Commerce, the University of Texas at Arlington, the University of Texas at San Antonio, the University of Texas at Dallas, West Texas A&M University and other Texas institutions.

Mr. Malone expressed appreciation to Dr. Farrell and all of the university administration and staff involved in fund raising for their efforts.

Mr. Lalani asked about the funds listed on the report as "Scholarship Funds from Outside Sources (not actual gifts to university)." Dr. Rogers responded that these are gifts that go directly from benefactors to specific Midwestern students.

Mr. Bridgman noted that many people that contribute to the President's Excellence Circle (PEC) are calendar year givers. He asked if there is a problem with donors losing track on whether or not they have made their gift for the appropriate year. Dr. Rogers noted that four letters are sent to donors as well as statements if requested. He stated his hope that this helps keep giving fresh in the minds of the donors.

Adjournment

There being no further business, the University Development Committee discussion concluded at 5:15 p.m.

Reviewed for submission:

Don Ross Malone, Chairperson
Midwestern State University
Board of Regents University Development Committee