

**West Liberty State College Board of Governors
Executive Committee
WesBanco Conference Room, Wheeling, WV
January 16, 2007**

Executive Committee Members: John Moore, Will Turani, Bernie Twigg

WLSC Administrators: John McCullough

Legal Counsel: John Gompers

1. Mr. Moore called the meeting to order at 3:45 p.m.
2. Bernie Twigg requested, and the Executive Committee concurred, that Professor Jean Bailey's Marketing students undertake a research project to survey appropriate parties – especially parents – regarding the SGA's proposed alcohol policy for Beta Hall. The survey findings will be presented at the April BOG meeting.
3. Enrollment will exceed the 2,000 mark for second semester, representing about a 3% increase over a year ago. Residence hall occupancy will be approximately 8% - 9% ahead of second semester 2005-06.
4. Approximately thirty existing policies – no new policies – will be on the agenda for Board approval. There are no substantive changes to the policies, and no public comments were received during the 30-day period.
5. Although the budget will not be finalized until the conclusion of the Legislative session, the College will make every attempt to provide a 2 1/2% salary increase. However, the increase, if any, will be dependent on the finalized budget.
6. Governor Manchin's legislative proposals appear to be similar to those of the HEPC. The Governor is requesting a somewhat smaller budget for higher education, however.
7. The College is developing an "Intent to Plan" for our first-ever stand-alone Master's degree program. This is an important element in the plan to achieve university status. The proposed degree will be in Teacher Education.
8. The I-70 Science Center Task Force is recommending a return to the original \$4 million "expansion" of the SMART Center to The Highlands area. This will be a much more feasible approach than what was developed by the consultants. Our business plan consultant has not fulfilled his responsibilities to develop a finished document.
9. The HEPC has notified us that they will not be able to meet on February 9 to confirm the presidential appointment. They will be able to meet during the following week.
10. The meeting adjourned at approximately 5:10 p.m.

John Moore _____
Chairman

Lynne Exley _____
Secretary