





Amy Louck Davis

Unit B faculty in WIU's Psychology Department (Macomb) in the graduate programs for Clinical/Community Mental Health (C/CMH) and School Psychology, and the undergraduate Forensic Psychology major.

Review of services provided in her role.

Without this position, the C/CMH and School Psychology graduate programs would be so crippled they could not function to provide the education and training of the currently enrolled students.

Programs will not continue to operate and WIU would risk losing two highly successful, accredited graduate programs.

Voiced concern that the remaining Unit A faculty would be insufficient to maintain the C/CMH and School Psychology graduate programs due to lacking skills in the remaining faculty and too few faculty to fulfill the accreditation and program requirements.

Peter Cole

Voiced concern in the changes to General Education with lack of input, consultation, and shared governance from the faculty.

Question raised as to why all non-union WIU employees were granted significant raises a few months ago if there is a budget concern.

Request to the BOT to not make such drastic changes in a manner of weeks that could harm WIU for many years.

Craig Tollini

Two suggestions posted to the Board:

1) Increased communication between all members of the university community.

Examples given of lack of communication when the past two policies had changed.

Suggestion to share all policies with all affected personnel and answer questions about them, similar to what Interim Provost Mossman did.

Increased communication is necessary to reduce (or at least address) rumors and to ensure the policies are fully understood. Increased communication can also help with morale, in part by demonstrating that everyone is valued enough to be informed.

2) Be cautious about making decisions quickly.

The Board has tasked administrators with taking action. Bad decisions can be made quickly.

Examples given, in regards to the two policies, better policy could have been created if more input was sought.

Motion: Trustee Cornell  
Second: Trustee Dillard

Roll Call

Trustee Carin Stutz	Yes
Trustee Kisha Lang	Yes
Trustee Erika Lowe Mullins	Yes
Trustee Cody Cornell	Yes
Trustee Derek Wise	Yes
Trustee Polly Radosh	Yes
Trustee Doug Shaw	Yes
Trustee Kirk Dillard	Yes

Motion approved.

**Chairperson's Remarks**

Ms. Carin Stutz

Progress is the word of the day

Our board has recognized challenges and asked for action. The last few years we have overspent and exhausted any remaining reserves.

I acknowledge the public comments and agree with the value of every single person that was spoken of.

Truly wish the financial situation was different and that there was trust in the room. The money is not there.

Today the board will approve a contract that will appoint Kristi Mindrup the Interim President as of June 30, 2024. She has been serving in the role and provided exemplary leadership. The board believes she is the right person to lead the university during this time of transition. She has been tasked with making the decisions that nobody looks forward to and she understands that the magnitude, an urgency of the situation.

At this time, the board will postpone the search for a new president. WIU is facing economic challenges that are complicated. And need to be resolved prior to the upcoming school year. Statewide, enrollment has declined and we must be disciplined in our spending. Many universities have the same challenges.

The postponement of a search does not mean the Dr. Mindrup has been selected permanently. A search will be conducted, but it will be deferred at this time while important issues are resolved.

Our second objective is to get a balanced budget.

We ask for unity as the university works on its financial challenges, and we ask for support for Dr. Mindrup. We are one hundred percent behind her as she takes on this role. She will focus on the long-term viability of the University and the continued outstanding education that every student receives while here.



(Vice President of Finance and Administration, Paul Edwards)  
Report No. 24.6/3  
Budget and Financial Data for Quarter Ended March 31, 2024  
(Vice President of Finance and Administration, Paul Edwards)

Report No. 24.6/4  
Marketing & Communication Update  
(Interim Assistant Vice President for Communications, Marketing and Media Relations,  
Alisha Looney)

Report No. 24.6/5  
Annual Listing of Academic Program Changes

Report No. 24.6/6  
Academic Affairs Report

Report No. 24.6/7  
Report on Externally Sponsored Grants and Contracts for the 3<sup>rd</sup> Quarter

Report No. 24.6/8  
Report on Contributions

Roll Call

Trustee Polly Radosh	Yes
Trustee Doug Shaw	Yes
Trustee Kirk Dillard	Yes
Trustee Carin Stutz	Yes
Trustee Kisha Lang	Yes
Trustee Erika Lowe Mullins	Yes
Trustee Cody Cornell	Yes
Trustee Derek Wise	Yes

Motion approved.

Resolution No. 24.6/2

**Action**

Fiscal Year 2024 Preliminary Spending Plan

(Vice President of Finance and Administration, Paul Edwards and University Budget  
Director, Renee Georges)

Motion: Trustee Radosh

Second: Trustee Shaw

Roll Call

Trustee Doug Shaw	Yes
Trustee Kirk Dillard	Yes
Trustee Carin Stutz	Yes
Trustee Kisha Lang	Yes
Trustee Erika Lowe Mullins	Yes
Trustee Cody Cornell	Yes
Trustee Derek Wise	No
Trustee Polly Radosh	Yes

Motion approved.

Resolution No. 24.6/3

**Action**

New Degree Program – BA in Public Relations

Motion: Trustee Radosh

Second: Trustee Cornell

Roll Call

Trustee Kirk Dillard	Yes
Trustee Carin Stutz	Yes
Trustee Kisha Lang	

Trustee Derek Wise	Yes
Trustee Polly Radosh	Yes
Trustee Doug Shaw	Yes

Motion approved.

Resolution No. 24.6/4

**Action**

Tenure Recommendations for 2024 - 2025

(Interim Provost and Academic Vice President, Mark Mossman)

Motion: Trustee Lowe Mullins

Second: Trustee Lang

Roll Call

Trustee Carin Stutz	Yes
Trustee Kisha Lang	Yes
Trustee Erika Lowe Mullins	Yes
Trustee Cody Cornell	Yes
Trustee Derek Wise	Yes
Trustee Polly Radosh	Yes
Trustee Doug Shaw	Yes
Trustee Kirk Dillard	Yes

Motion approved.

Resolution No. 24.6/5

**Action**

Release of Closed Session Meeting Minutes

(Interim General Counsel, Victoria Smith)

Motion: Trustee Wise

Second: Trustee Lang

Roll Call

Trustee Kisha Lang	Yes
Trustee Erika Lowe Mullins	Yes
Trustee Cody Cornell	Yes
Trustee Derek Wise	Yes
Trustee Polly Radosh	No
Trustee Doug Shaw	Yes
Trustee Kirk Dillard	Yes
Trustee Carin Stutz	Yes

Motion approved.



Resolution No. 24.6/6

**Action**

Elect Trustee to Serve on State Universities Civil Service Merit Board  
(Interim General Counsel, Victoria Smith)

Motion: Trustee Wise

Second: Trustee Shaw

Nomination made for Kisha Lang to Serve on State Universities Civil Service Merit Board

Roll Call

Trustee Erika Lowe Mullins	Yes
Trustee Cody Cornell	Yes
Trustee Derek Wise	Yes
Trustee Polly Radosh	Yes
Trustee Doug Shaw	Yes
Trustee Kirk Dillard	Yes
Trustee Carin Stutz	Yes

Motion approved.

Resolution No. 24.6/7

**Action**

Election of Officers of the Board for July 1, 2024 - June 30, 2025  
(Interim General Counsel, Victoria Smith)

Motion: Trustee Wise

Second: Trustee Shaw

Written votes taken and tallied

Chair Trustee Stutz

Vice-Chair Trustee Radosh

Secretary Trustee Cornell

Roll Call

Trustee Cody Cornell	Yes
Trustee Derek Wise	Yes
Trustee Polly Radosh	Yes
Trustee Doug Shaw	Yes
Trustee Kirk Dillard	Yes
Trustee Carin Stutz	Yes
Trustee Kisha Lang	Yes
Trustee Erika Lowe Mullins	Yes

Motion approved.

Resolution No. 24.6/8

**Action**

Recommendation for the Naming of a University Building  
(Interim President, Dr. Kristi Mindrup)

Motion: Trustee Lowe Mullins

Second: Trustee Dillard

Edited resolution read for the honorary naming – Goldfarb Center for Performing Arts

WHEREAS, pursuant to Section VI.C.1 of the Board of Trustees Regulations, the Board of Trustees of Western Illinois University reserves the right to name all buildings belonging to the University; and

WHEREAS, the President shall make recommendations to the Board regarding the naming of University property; and

WHEREAS, University property may be named for notable former employees at the University; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Alvin Goldfarb served as the 10<sup>th</sup> President of Western Illinois University, honorably and with distinction, from 2002—2011; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Goldfarb's career as an educator, theatre historian, *journalist*, *historian*, *author*, *orator*, *and* *community leader*

