

MINUTES
Board of Trustees
Finance and Facilities Committee
October 20, 2023, 1:15 pm

MEMBERS PRESENT: Dus Rogers, Senator Arthur Orr, Jonathan Craft, Dr. Catherine Wehlburg, Kerry Warren, Victoria Mould, Emily Corzine, John Wilson, and Barbara Ferguson, reporting.

MEMBERS ABSENT: Mike McCoy, Mac McCutcheon, and Julia Roth

Mr. Craft called the meeting to order at 1:15 pm. After roll call, the committee reviewed and accepted the minutes from July 21, 2023. With no old business to address, the committee moved to new business.

The first item of new business was the Fall 2023 revenue update. Mr. Craft reported that Fall credit hours have exceeded budgeted hours by 712. Correspondingly, Fall revenue is \$278,585 over budget. This equates to 103% of budget.

The next item of business was the financial summary for the year ended 09/30/2023. Mr. Craft reminded the committee that these are unaudited numbers for FY2023. He discussed that the actual revenue exceeded budgeted revenue by \$1.5M and was up by \$4.9M from the previous fiscal year. He indicated that the increase is due to the increase in the state appropriation, tuition rate increases and an increase in investment income due to better market performance. The report also shows that actual expenditures were just under budgeted expenditures by approximately \$250,000. He discussed that the largest part of expenditures are salaries and benefits. He also discussed that some areas are over budget due to expenses for final Archer payments and increased program marketing. He shared that the bottom line is \$1.7M in excess revenues over expenses. He reminded the committee that the University is maintaining reserves of approximately 5 months. Senator Orr expressed commendations to the University's financial team for the management of the finances. He also indicated that he is not expecting growth in the state's budget for the upcoming year.

Finally, Mr. Warren provided updates on the following capital projects:

- New roofs at Chasteen Hall and the Center for Lifelong Learning – PSCA funded, both projects are finishing up
- New elevator in Founders Hall – PSCA funded, work will be starting in December
- New chillers at Kares Library and Sandridge Student Center – PSCA funded, supplies are ordered and expected in April
- Construction of new Maintenance building – PSCA funded, construction completed last week
- New windows in Powers Hall – University funded, project is nearing finish
- Brown Hall renovation – Supplemental appropriation, GMC Architects are expecting to bid this project in 2 phases: 1) work up to \$4M and 2) work to reach desired completion
- Nazaretian House renovation – Supplemental appropriation, Lathan Architects are preparing the bid to rebuild a replica of the house. Demolition will take place soon.

Both the Brown Hall project and the Nazaretian project are expected to be on the January agenda for Board approval.

With no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 1:33 p.m.