The Board of Governors for Truman State University met on Saturday, February 7, 2009, on the University campus in Kirksville, Missouri. The meeting was held in the Conference Room of the Student Union, and the open session of the meeting was called to order shortly after 10:00 a.m. by the Chair of the Board of Governors, Cheryl J. Cozette.

A quorum was present with all seven voting members in attendance: Cheryl J. Cozette, Mike Greenwell, Karen Haber, Matthew W. Potter, Kenneth L. Read, John W. Siscel, III, and Mark S. Wasinger.

Also in attendance for the meeting were all three of the non-voting members: Cody Sumter, the student representative, and John Hilton and Peter T. Ewell, the two out-of-state members.

Call to Order
Dr. Cozette opened the meeting by extending a welcome to all in attendance.

Recognition of Past Board Chair
Dr. Cozette extended the Board’s appreciation to Mark S. Wasinger and presented him a framed gold gavel in honor of his exemplary service as Chair of the Board of Governors during the 2008 calendar year.

Minutes for Open Sessions of Meetings on December 6, 2008 and January 14, 2009
Dr. Siscel moved the adoption of the following resolution:

BE IT RESOLVED that the minutes for the open sessions of the meetings on December 6, 2008 and January 14, 2009, be approved.

The motion was seconded by Mr. Greenwell and carried by a unanimous vote of 7 to 0. Dr. Cozette then declared the motion to be duly adopted.

President’s Report
Dr. Darrell W. Krueger, President of the University, provided a report on several items of current interest. President Krueger began his report by providing a summary of his recent activities. In the area of alumni/foundation, he provided an update on the “Investing in Students” initiative, and he noted that Beth Morrison Klein (’83), a fourth-generation Truman graduate who is now a very successful trial attorney in Denver, Colorado, has agreed to facilitate an on-campus seminar on April 3-4 with approximately 35 student opinion leaders. President Krueger noted a number of community initiatives, in particular the work of the administration and faculty to increase collaboration between Truman and A. T. Still University. President Krueger also highlighted a number of on-campus activities, including meetings with the student leadership of clubs and organizations to discuss the challenges and experiences at the University and what we could do to improve upon them. He also referenced the All-University Meeting held in January, noting the large attendance and how fabulous it has been to see such a common desire to help the University. President Krueger provided an update on the budget situation, noting that the appropriations process has started with hearings of the House and Senate Committees scheduled for later in the month. President Krueger shared his thoughts related to the Truman Experience. He noted that he was better able to understand the essence of the Truman Experience after listening to and observing faculty and students for the past several weeks. He stated that at some point, probably in the ’90s, a critical mass of exceptionally talented students was recruited to the University. Their close interaction with each other and the faculty, in and out of class, in this rural environment created a dynamic and unique academic, social and cultural experience which resulted in the substance we have today. President Krueger ended his report by highlighting the following four initiatives critical to the future of the University: technology update across campus; development of the Truman Institute (a “little box” initiative designed to generate revenue, increase enrollment, and sustain the ongoing operations and mission of the University); the need for additional technology to support the University’s recruitment efforts; and the possible formation of a president’s distinguished advisory group to assist with fundraising.
Budget Report
David R. Rector, Executive Director of Institutional Research and Budgets, provided an update on the FY2010 budget process.

Academic Affairs Report
Dr. Troy Paino, Provost and Vice President for Academic Affairs, provided a report on several items of current interest, including what Academic Affairs is doing in regard to recruitment and retention. Dr. Paino also noted that he was exploring the possibility of dividing the College of Arts and Sciences into three schools. Dr. Paino noted that such a change would do nothing to the department structure that was created two years ago. The only change is that there will be fewer department chairs reporting to each Dean. Instead of a structure with one Dean and two Associate Deans, there would be three Deans over smaller schools. The School of Business and the School of Health Sciences and Education would remain the same.

Student Affairs Report
Dr. Lou Ann Gilchrist, Dean of Student Affairs, provided a report on several items of current interest, including an update on the student conduct activities in preparation for review and approval of the Student Conduct Code by the Board of Governors at the April 2009 meeting.

Student Government Report
Lizz Esfeld, President of Student Government, provided a detailed report on the work of the Student Government throughout the past year. She also highlighted the many efforts focused on the University’s budget crisis and the desire to find ways to enhance the Truman Experience.

Enrollment Management Report
Regina Morin, Associate Vice President for Enrollment Management, provided an application and enrollment update.

Advancement Report
The Vice President for University Advancement, Mark Gambaiana, provided an update on advancement activities.

Foundation Board Appointments
Dr. Cozette announced the annual Board appointments to the Truman State University Foundation Board of Directors. Dr. Cozette appointed herself (current Board Chair), Mr. Wasinger (former Board Chair), and Mr. Potter (current Vice Chair) to serve one-year terms.

Financial Report
The Controller, Judy Mullins, provided the financial report.

Construction Projects Report
David R. Rector provided a status report on construction projects previously approved by the Board.

Board Committees
Dr. Cozette noted the appointment of three committees of the Board, noting that the first meeting of each committee would be held in conjunction with the April 2009 meeting.

Budget and Capital Projects Committee
Matthew W. Potter, Peter T. Ewell, Kenneth L. Read, and John W. Siscel, III
Staff: David R. Rector
Finance and Auditing Committee
   Mark S. Wasinger, Cheryl J. Cozette, and Sarah Burkemper, Outside Member
   Staff: Judy Mullins

Honorary Degrees Committee
   Karen Haber, Mike Greenwell, John Hilton
   Staff: Mark Gambaiana and Troy Paino
   One student and two faculty members

Presidential Search Committee
Mr. Read, Chair of the Presidential Search Committee, noted that the Presidential Search Committee would hold its first meeting in conjunction with the April 2009 meeting. Mr. Read noted that the members of that committee include:

   Kenneth L. Read, Chair       John W. Siscel, III
   Cheryl J. Cozette              Cody Sumter
   Peter T. Ewell                 Mark S. Wasinger
   Mike Greenwell                Jim Cherrington, President, Alumni Association Board of Directors
   Karen Haber                      Julia DeLancey, Associate Professor of Art
   John Hilton                     James Guffey, President, Faculty Senate, and Professor of Mathematics
   Matthew W. Potter           Chuck Woods, President, Foundation Board of Directors

Agenda Items for Future Meetings
President Krueger reviewed the agenda items currently scheduled for the next regular meeting of the Board of Governors.

Dates for Future Meetings
Mr. Potter moved the adoption of the following resolution:

   BE IT RESOLVED that the next regular meeting of the Board of Governors be scheduled for Saturday, April 4, 2009, on the University campus in Kirksville, beginning at 1:30 p.m., with the understanding that the Chair may alter the starting time and/or place for the meeting by giving due notice of such change; and

   BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that other regular meetings of the Board during the next year be tentatively scheduled for the following dates:

   Friday and Saturday, June 19-20, 2009;
   August 15, 2009;
   Friday, October 9, 2009;
   Saturday, December 5, 2009; and
   Saturday, February 6, 2010.

The motion was seconded by Ms. Haber and carried by a unanimous vote of 7 to 0. Mr. Wasinger then declared the motion to be duly adopted.

Agenda Items for Closed Session
Dr. Siscel moved the adoption of the following resolution:
BE IT RESOLVED that this meeting be continued in closed session, with closed records and closed votes as permitted by law, for consideration of the following items as authorized by Section 610.021, Revised Statutes of Missouri:

1) Approval of minutes for the closed session of the last meeting under Subsection 14 of the statute for “Records which are protected from disclosure by law”;
2) Individual personnel actions under Subsection 3 of the statute for “Hiring, firing, disciplining or promoting of particular employees by a public governmental body when personal information about the employee is discussed or recorded”;
3) Purchase of real estate under Subsection 2 of the statute for “Leasing, purchase or sale of real estate by a public governmental body where public knowledge of the transaction might adversely affect the legal consideration therefore”; and
4) Confidential communications with the General Counsel.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that if any business not covered by the stated reasons for the closed session is raised during the closed session, then this meeting shall be reopened to the public and an announcement about a resumption of the open session shall be made in the hallway outside of the meeting room.

The motion was seconded by Mr. Read and carried by a unanimous vote of 7 to 0. Dr. Cozette then declared the motion to be duly adopted.

The closed session of the meeting began shortly after 12:45 p.m.

I hereby certify that the foregoing minutes were approved by the Board of Governors on the 4th day of April, 2009.

Cheryl J. Cozette
Chair of the Board of Governors