Board of Visitors Meeting Minutes
April 5, 2019


Opening Remarks
Chair Clif Greim welcomed the BoV and noted that this was an abbreviated meeting to allow BoV members the opportunity to join Admitted Student Day at 9am.

President’s Report
President Cummings thanked everyone for coming and introduced USM’s new CBO Alec Porteous. Glenn invited the BoV to attend Commencement on May 11th. Governor Janet Mills will be the Commencement speaker. We are awarding two honorary degrees this year, one to Connie Silver and the other to Micky Collins. Glenn thanked everyone for their support of the name change and noted that the BoT will discuss and possibly have a preliminary vote on it sometime this summer.

Nancy Griffin stated that over 1,000 registered students to be visiting USM today for Admitted Student Day. It is now such a large event that it has been moved to the Costello Field House. Admissions are at the highest ever for USM.

Capital Project Update
Nancy gave a quick summary of the current Capital projects:

- Woodward Hall renovation of $1.8M, redoing all bathrooms and renovating entire 1st floor.
- $2M complete renovation of Brooks Dining Hall – increase capacity from 340 seats to 560 seats. In addition, a new roof and new generator.
- Asbestos removal in Bailey Hall. New fire alarms and sprinkler system.
- All residence halls will be getting some level of renovation.
- For the Portland campus, we just sent out an RFQ for the Nursing high fidelity simulation labs. These sim labs will be located on the 4th floor of the Science building and will be used for any health-related classes. This facility is scheduled to open August 2020.
- Ricci Lecture Hall work will be done this summer at the Science building.
- Dean Qualls is working to expand computer labs and create makers space. When completed, these will be the only makers space in Maine and possibly in Northern New England.
- Working on new residence hall for the Portland campus. It will be a 400-600 bed space.
- A planning committee for the Career and Student Success Center has been formed. We should be able to send out an RFQ this fall.
- Working with Jeanne Paquette strategically and proactively to address the impact on the campus of construction, parking, etc.
Provost Jeannine Uzzi noted that she and Interim Dean Brian Toy have been meeting to determine whether the college should stay at its current location or move to a location that better serves the region. A range of options are under consideration.

CERL (Composite Engineering Research Labs) will be moving into the Science building and renovating some lab spaces, starting the end of this month.

**Budget Update**
Alec Porteous gave an update on the USM budget. Please see the attached document for more information.

**BOV Membership**
Clif asked the voting BOV members about the nominees to BOV, Chris LaVoie, Jennifer McCarthy and Kimberly Hamilton. Clif motioned, Neil Kiely seconded, ten voting members present, all voted in favor.

Second item was a motion to change by-laws to allow immediate past Chair an extended term limit as a BOV member. Jane motioned, Neil Kiely seconded. Ten voting members present and all voted in favor.

Clif asked that the by-laws be sent with the minutes.

Meeting adjourned at 9:10 a.m.

*The next meeting of the Board of Visitors is **Friday, June 7th**, UER, 7th Floor Glickman Library, Portland campus*