# AGENDA ARKANSAS STATE UNIVERSITY BOARD OF TRUSTEES May 4, 2006 10:00 a.m.

# Student Center - Beebe Campus

- I. Call to Order
  Mr. Jim Pickens, Chair
- II. Approval of the Minutes of Meeting February 24, 2006
- III. President's Report
  Reports of the Officers
- \*IV. Agenda
  - Resolution authorizing ASU-Jonesboro, Beebe, Mountain Home, Newport, Heber Springs, and Searcy to increase tuition.
  - Resolution approving the ASU System fiscal year 2006-2007 Operating Budgets and authority to execute the budgets during the next fiscal year.
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- Resolution approving ASU-Newport to discontinue the \$10 parking fee.
- Resolution authorizing ASU-Newport to offer online degrees in the Associate of Arts in Liberal Arts and Associate of Arts in Business.
- V. Executive Session
- \*VI. Approval of Personnel Actions
- VII. Other Business
- \*VIII. Adjournment
- \*Action Items

Arkansas State University
Board of Trustees
May 4, 2006

The Arkansas State University Board of Trustees met on Thursday,
May 4, 2006, in the Wal-Mart/Regions Room on the Beebe campus. Chair Jim
Pickens called the meeting to order at 10:05 a.m. Board members present were:
Mr. Mike Gibson, Vice President; Colonel Dallas Wood, Secretary; Mr. Mike
Medlock; and Mrs. Florine Milligan. Reverend Mark Eisold, pastor of Our Saviour
Lutheran Church in Cabot, delivered the invocation.

#### **Minutes**

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Upon motion by Col. Wood, second by Mr. Pickens, the minutes of February 24, 2006, were approved.

AYES: Pickens, Gibson, Wood, Medlock, Milligan

NAYS: None

#### **CAMPUS REPORTS**

Mr. Jennus Burton, Vice President for Finance and Administration, delivered a financial presentation. He said that members of the Board were given a copy of the presentation, which was a compilation of all the campuses within the ASU System and included financial and marketing data that depicts the financial condition of the ASU System. The PowerPoint presentation began with data relating to the Jonesboro campus, followed by Beebe, Mountain Home, and Newport. Copies of the presentation were available for review.

# **ASU System**

Dr. Wyatt reported that the information provided in the financial presentation is a work in progress. Within two months, the fiscal year budgets will close and the second fiscal year of the biennium budget will begin. Work has already started on budgets for the next biennium, 2007-2009.

## Jonesboro Campus

The firm initially hired to lead the search for a new chancellor has decided to cancel their contract. Dr. Glen Jones, Assistant to the President for Diversity Initiatives, will chair the in-house search committee. Applications and nominations are now being accepted for consideration. By June 1 the committee will begin to screen applications and by July 1 it is anticipated a pool of recommended individuals will be submitted to the Board. During the summer, candidates will be brought to campus to view the facilities and allow interaction with the university community. The goal remains to have a Chancellor in place by the start of the fall semester.

Meetings have been held with Mr. Buddy Beck to establish an identity center for research. Mr. Beck and his associates recently made a presentation to Governor Huckabee, who considered the project and determined that it might be funded through the state of Arkansas from the Department of Science and Technology. The director of the Department of Science and Technology, Mr. John Ahlen, said the Governor recommended \$150,000 be applied toward this research activity. This money would be used for a plenary grant rather than an operational

grant, meaning that the Governor wants a proposal developed that would involve universities within the state interested in collaboration to be presented to the legislature at the next session of the General Assembly and to the federal delegation to be considered in the federal budget. Dr. Wyatt will continue meetings with Mr. Beck and will keep the Board informed.

#### ASU-Beebe

Dr. Wyatt congratulated Chancellor Eugene McKay for 40 years of service to Arkansas State University.

Chancellor McKay reported that the Higher Learning Commission conducted a focus visit on April 10-11 to evaluate the merger of Foothills Technical Institute, which is now ASU-Searcy, with ASU-Beebe. A successful exit report was received with a formal report to follow in a few weeks. No further visits or reports are required.

A groundbreaking ceremony for the science building will be held at 2:00 p.m. behind the men's dormitory if the weather permits, but if not it will be held in the gymnasium.

Dr. McKay said that following the Hurricane Katrina disaster, the Association of Two-year Colleges adopted a college, Mississippi Gulfport Community College.

The Beebe, Heber Springs, and Searcy campuses donated \$2,500, which was used to purchase kitchen equipment.

Captain Marden Hueter of the Department of Military Science updated the Board on the ROTC program on the Beebe campus. Known as the ASU Indian

Battalion, there are currently 62 cadets enrolled with expectations of doubling that number in the fall. Four cadets have completed the program and will be transferring to the Jonesboro campus. He credits the support of the Beebe campus and administration for the success of the program.

#### **ASU-Mountain Home**

Chancellor Ed Coulter stated that an open house for the new physical plant was held yesterday. Mike and Gayla Thompson, co-chairs of the Mountain Home capital campaign, have committed funding for an additional entrance gate on College Street. Commencement is Monday evening with Dr. Tom Bruce the speaker. Based on approval, the lobby of the Health Science building will be named at that time. An Honors medallion created by the faculty was displayed which will be presented during commencement to Honors students in memory of Dr. Fran Coulter. A total of 259 students will graduate this year compared to 209 last year. In the future, there will be a number of advertisements through television and news medias dealing with First Responders. It is significant to note that 83% of all First Responders are trained by the two-year colleges. Nationally, a community college caucus to promote two-year institutions has been organized with Arkansas leading the nation by percentage in the number of representatives. Pre-registration for summer and fall terms is very encouraging. Mrs. Milligan asked the percentage of graduates at Mountain Home and the other two-year campuses that choose to further their education at the Jonesboro campus. Dr. Coulter said he could not give a definite number but would provide it later. Dr. McKay

estimates 130 students per year; however, some students can complete bachelor's or master's degrees without leaving the Beebe campus. Dr. Wyatt explained that at the Beebe and Mountain Home campuses some areas of study offer the opportunity to complete four-year degrees without leaving the branch campus. Dr. Coulter said of the 1,350 to 1,400 students enrolled approximately 250 are ASU-Jonesboro students. They enroll in Mountain Home classes as well as those offered by the Jonesboro campus on the Mountain Home campus. Mrs. Milligan said her concern was that these students complete their education with Arkansas State University. Dr. Coulter indicated another four-year institution strongly recruits Mountain Home transfer students, which presents a challenge to keep those students within the ASU System. Mr. Gibson said he ran an informal poll at the last Board meeting on the Beebe campus and found that most of the students were going to University of Central Arkansas in Conway because of the close proximity; however, without the two-year college as bases of learning most students would not have been able to receive a college education. Dr. McKay said 125 bachelors and masters degrees were awarded during commencement. Dr. Coulter said four-year institutions are now being evaluated on completers and it makes better sense to recruit an honors student from a two-year institution than a student just completing high school who may not even want to attend college. Col. Wood congratulated Dr. Coulter on his election as Chair of the American Association of Community Colleges.

# **ASU-Newport**

Chancellor Larry Williams thanked Board members Mrs. Milligan and Mr. Medlock for their assistance in hosting the Arkansas Department of Higher Education Coordinating Board last week. Approximately 116 individuals attended from various colleges and universities throughout the state. One of the items on the agenda was an intent letter from ASU-Newport requesting approval, pending the Board's approval, to offer an online Associates of Arts degree in both Liberal Arts and Business. The reason this is timely is that ASU-Newport will be going through the Higher Learning Commission accreditation visit in November and it is much more cost effective and feasible for institutions to combine degree changes and new degree programs with a regularly scheduled meeting. As part of that process, a new updated Strategic Plan for 2006-2010 has been developed. (Copies were provided.) Dr. Williams directed attention to page 7, which includes a revised mission and values statement, and page 16 which highlights members of the student focus group, the faculty and staff strategic planning taskforce, and the community focus group who participated in the process. In addition, a Crisis Management Plan for the Newport campus has been created. (Copies were distributed.) This plan was updated following the recent Hurricane Katrina disaster and at the suggestion of Dr. Wyatt that a system-wide crisis management plan be developed to deal with earthquakes and tornadoes. This booklet is to be used as a quick reference to contact persons or agencies who deal with emergency situations. The plan deals with every type of crisis from personal individual crisis

to catastrophic events. In June, the Newport campus hopes to have a ribbon cutting ceremony for the library expansion. A formal invitation will be mailed at a later date.

# Agenda

Mr. Pickens stated that Board members had received the agenda items prior to the meeting for discussion and explanation purposes.

Resolution authorizing ASU-Jonesboro, Beebe, Mountain Home, Newport, Heber Springs, and Searcy to increase tuition.

Mr. Pickens assured everyone that the budgets were reviewed thoroughly and concluded that in order to be a competitive and world class institution, this increase is necessary. As the university continues to progress into the next biennium, the Board will continue to monitor the financial numbers.

Upon motion by Mrs. Milligan, second by Mr. Gibson, Resolution 06-10 was approved.

AYES: Pickens, Gibson, Wood, Medlock, Milligan

NAYS: None

➤ Resolution approving the ASU System fiscal year 2006-2007 operating budgets and authority to execute the budgets during the next fiscal year.

With the revenue just authorized by the Board, the proposals for the execution of the budgets are being presented. Each Board member has received and reviewed the budget books for each of the campuses and the system. The total expenditures of all those activities will exceed \$150 million next year. The

budgets are developed to attempt to accommodate several different purposes that are consistent with the mission of the university. At the two-year campuses, budgets are increased to provide additional support for salaries and fringe benefits for employees. On the Jonesboro campus the following increases are proposed: 3% for non-teaching personnel; 3% for faculty and non-classified staff; labor market adjustments for employees classified at Grade 16 or below to lift those salaries to the state classified rate; faculty promotions and other salary adjustments; \$300,000 for student scholarships; \$600,000 for utilities; and \$100,000 for diversity. All of the priorities that have been established within the budgets have been developed within the campuses through a process involving faculty, staff, and administration. Dr. Wyatt affirmed to the Board and public who support these institutions that the campuses will be able to provide for quality education for the students who pay these costs. Each of the campuses will be given additional attention in support to student services. This is a slight growth budget over the last year. The budget is designed to keep the institution in step with increases in inflationary issues and personnel costs. Overall the budgets presented are expected to meet the cost of operation during the coming year; however many requests were not met. This is a modest budget increase but the statement of needs was long. In preparing for the biennium budget, it is anticipated that some of those unfunded needs can be addressed. Dr. Wyatt presented the budgets for the ASU System, Jonesboro, Mountain Home, Beebe,

and Newport. The Beebe campus includes operations in Heber Springs and Searcy.

The Jonesboro budget includes operations in Marked Tree.

Upon motion by Col. Wood, second by Mr. Medlock, Resolution 06-11 was approved.

AYES: Pickens, Gibson, Wood, Medlock, Milligan

NAYS: None

Resolution approving ASU-Jonesboro to sell 26.4 acres located in Craighead County.

The proceeds from the sale of land north of the Jonesboro campus, which is used historically to grow hay, could be used for capital development activities such as grants received from the United States Department of Commerce which require a 50/50 match and recreational facilities costs related to the relocation of the Westside Overpass.

Upon motion by Mr. Medlock, second by Mr. Gibson, Resolution 06-12 was approved.

AYES: Pickens, Gibson, Wood, Medlock, Milligan

NAYS: None

Resolution approving ASU-Jonesboro to construct and operate a child care center on the Jonesboro campus.

Dr. Wyatt recommended that this resolution be pulled from the agenda to allow more time to develop a method of financing for the project. The resolution will be presented to the Board at a later date.

Resolution approving ASU-Jonesboro to enter into an agreement with the City of Jonesboro concerning the funding and construction of the Westside Overpass.

The City of Jonesboro has committed \$1 million dollars toward this project and they require a collaborative agreement with the university. This will allow the university to begin to approach the Arkansas Highway and Transportation

Department to refine proposals for the development of the overpass, to get bids, and to move closer to construction. When the overpass construction is complete and in conjunction with newly developed roadway on Johnson Avenue on the north side of campus, which will create a corridor to the downtown area, this will be a significant improvement in access and safety for the Jonesboro campus.

Upon motion by Mrs. Milligan, second by Col. Wood, Resolution 06-14 was approved.

AYES: Pickens, Gibson, Wood, Medlock, Milligan

NAYS: None

> Resolution approving ASU-Jonesboro to conduct private athletic camps on campus in university facilities.

Arkansas state law requires that an agreement be approved for 2006 in order to use university facilities.

Upon motion by Mr. Gibson, second by Mr. Medlock, Resolution 06-15 was approved.

AYES: Pickens, Gibson, Wood, Medlock, Milligan

NAYS: None

Resolution approving ASU-Jonesboro to increase the undergraduate,

graduate, specialist, and doctoral graduation fees.

These fees have not been increased in more than 10 years and will bring the

fees more in line with the actual cost of graduation, to be effective the 2006-2007

academic year.

Upon motion by Mr. Medlock, second by Mrs. Milligan, Resolution 06-16

was approved.

AYES: Pickens, Gibson, Wood, Medlock, Milligan

NAYS: None

> Resolution authorizing ASU-Jonesboro to revise the Faculty Handbook by

adding the description of the Staff Hearing Committee in the shared

governance structure.

Due to error, the section which included the description of the Staff Hearing

Committee was omitted from the Faculty Handbook approved by the Board

February 24, 2006. The description is as follows: The committee will hear staff

grievances related to conditions of employment such as: promotion, retention,

termination, salary, and job assignment. This committee functions as set out in

the System Staff Handbook.

Upon motion by Mr. Gibson, second by Mr. Medlock, Resolution 06-17 was

approved.

AYES: Pickens, Gibson, Wood, Medlock, Milligan

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NAYS: None

Dr. Wyatt proceeded to share information related to the Faculty Handbook approved by the Board in February. He explained that on March 8, Chairman Pickens wrote a letter to the Faculty Senate offering to meet and address any concerns they might have about the Faculty Handbook or the shared governance system. Dr. Wyatt said he also had offered to meet with the Faculty Senate to discuss these issues and did so on April 21. On May 3, 2006, Mr. Pickens and Dr. Wyatt met with Dr. Bill Humphrey, Dr. Louella Moore, Dr. Bill Maynard, and Dr. Richard Freer, as the executive committee of the Faculty Senate, and listened to their concerns. One of the issues addressed was the resolution approved by the Faculty Senate and delivered to Dr. Wyatt on May 2, 2006. (Copies of the resolution were distributed.) This resolution states that the Faculty Senate will not agree to recognize the handbook approved by the Board February 24 and would not agree to appoint representatives to the shared governance committees identified in the handbook. The refusal of the Faculty Senate to recognize the handbook is of concern because there should be faculty participation in the governance structure, and the Faculty Senate should recognize the authority of the Board to promulgate rules, policies, and regulations in the operation of the campuses in order to receive continued accreditation by the Higher Learning Commission. The HLC will visit in April 2008. By the time they visit, there should be a governance system that is operational.

At the start of the meeting, Mr. Pickens clearly stated that the Board is and always has been the constitutional authority to set policies and procedures of the institution and has the statutory authority to define processes of operation. The executive committee of the Faculty Senate agreed with Mr. Pickens' statement. Mr. Pickens stated that the institution, the president, and the Trustees have wasted too much time with the handbook and that it is time to move on to more important issues. The executive committee of the Faculty Senate said there were some large areas of concern and differences which they have with the handbook approved February 24, and they requested an opportunity to develop position papers on these issues. The executive committee asked to present these position papers for consideration, review, and reaction by the Trustees. The executive committee stressed that time was of the essence because the shared governance system should be in place and functional during the next academic year to be able to demonstrate to the HLC that the system works.

The executive committee suggested an opportunity to depart slightly from the process defined in the handbook as the method by which the handbook be changed. The executive committee understood that the process to revise the handbook is clearly defined in the handbook, but their concern was that the effort to create a committee structure that could consider those proposed changes might take longer than summer and that the changes could not be done in time to be effective by the fall semester. In order to speed this process, the executive committee requested a one-time extraordinary process to address handbook

changes. At the request of the executive committee, Dr. Wyatt agreed to propose a one-time extraordinary allowance to consider these changes through a process over the course of the summer to be completed by the first of August and to also address and refine the shared governance process defined in the handbook.

Dr. Wyatt recommended to the Board that the following steps be taken:

Faculty Senate takes official action to rescind resolution of April 21, 2006, which reads: "Whereas, the Faculty Senate of Arkansas State University accepted unanimously the new Faculty Handbook recommended by the Faculty Senate Handbook Committee at its March 17 meeting with slight revisions; and whereas, at the same meeting, the Faculty Senate rejected an imposed manual of suggested policies and procedures presented by the Board of Trustees and the current administration of Arkansas State University; and whereas, the 1996 Faculty Handbook remains the operative Faculty Handbook recognized as such by the Faculty Senate of Arkansas State University; and whereas, the Faculty Senate of Arkansas State University is ever mindful of its responsibilities and obligations under the said 1996 Faculty Handbook; therefore, the Faculty Senate of Arkansas State University, resolves that the status quo with regard to committees (including committee structure and membership) that has been operational at least up to February 2006 shall continue until such time as a new handbook has been mutually approved by the Faculty Senate and the Board of Trustees of Arkansas State University." Dr. Wyatt said that Mr. Pickens was clear to

point out that the Board of Trustees does not need the Faculty Senate to approve the Faculty Handbook or the actions of the Board and by law is not be required to, and that because of the Faculty Senate resolution just read rejecting the Board approved Faculty Handbook any effort to address the Faculty Handbook issue will not work. So, the first step in the process is that this resolution must be rescinded and a resolution must be endorsed that would identify a process which might be followed.

- 2. When resolution is achieved, the Faculty Handbook Taskforce will meet with Vice Chancellor for Research and Academic Affairs to draft position papers which address conceptual issues thought to be problematic in the handbook, including issues of shared governance. The VCRAA may consult with university counsel regarding statutory issues.
- The position papers will be circulated to the Board by the deadline of June 1,
   2006.
- 4. The Board will respond to the position papers by June 15, 2006, through the President. If the Board rejects a position, that decision will be final and will be communicated to the taskforce. If the Board accepts a position, the President will be authorized to initiate handbook modifications to reflect the accepted position, including proposed changes in shared governance.
- Handbook modifications, if any, will be produced by the Faculty Senate Handbook Committee and presented to the VCRAA by the deadline of July 1, 2006.

- 6. VCRAA will consult with academic leadership, vice presidents/chancellors, and constituent representatives for concurrence with proposed changes and will consult with the handbook committee to address changes, if any, in recommended handbook materials, including shared governance.
- Proposed changes in the handbook materials and shared governance will be presented to the President by the deadline of July 15, 2006.
- 8. The President will present and explain proposed changes to the Board by August 1, 2006.
- 9. The Board will meet by telephone conference to accept or reject handbook and shared governance modifications by August 15. The Board may be selective in considering individual changes, and may accept all, some, or none of the proposed changes.
- 10. As soon as practicable after the Board teleconference, appropriate changes will be recorded and the resulting handbook and shared governance process will become effective immediately. Subsequent changes to the handbook will follow the process defined in the handbook.
- 11. Shared governance committee appointments will be made based upon the deadline of fall faculty convocation, 2006.
- 12. The handbook and shared governance system will be presented at the fall convocation of the Faculty Association.
- Dr. Wyatt recommended these steps as a potential way to address concerns and recalled that the Board has expressed that they are willing and open to

suggestions for change. This could be a method to expedite these changes under extraordinary circumstances. He believed it is in the best interest of the university and will help to move forward with the task at hand. Mr. Pickens added that he was encouraged by the two-hour meeting held May 3, 2006. The executive committee of the Faculty Senate seemed to be amenable to working together in a cooperative spirit to resolve these issues. However, Mr. Pickens said he wanted to make it perfectly clear that once we have gone through this extraordinary process, the Board is through discussing the handbook, it is over and done. Mr. Pickens stressed to the executive committee of the Faculty Senate that there are two items that are not subject to and will not be a part of negotiations: One, the handbook is not a contract; and two, understand and accept the complete, full constitutional and statutory authority of the Board. Mr. Pickens said there are some changes that he would be agreeable to. He cited an example of a change in the handbook in the foreword which indicates that the Board may change policy without notification and then later speaks of notification. There is a conflict there, but in the spirit of cooperation, he is willing to make such changes. Dr. Wyatt said the proposed process is not submitted in the form of a formal Board of Trustees resolution, but rather as information to outline an extraordinary process to address the Faculty Handbook.

Mr. Gibson asked if the majority of the Faculty Senate was present at the meeting. Mr. Pickens said it was the executive committee of the Faculty Senate.

Mr. Gibson asked if the deadlines could be met. Mr. Pickens said the executive

committee understood there would be deadlines and that they would be adhered to.

Mrs. Milligan asked who the responsible person was for meeting these deadlines. Dr. Wyatt said he would monitor the process to be sure deadlines were being met or if they are not the process will be thrown out. Mr. Pickens said the overall responsibility for deadlines should rest with the president of Faculty Senate.

Mr. Gibson asked the deadline for rescinding the resolution of April 21. Vice Chancellor Susan Allen said the next meeting of Faculty Senate is tomorrow, May 5. Mr. Pickens said this process will hinge on what the Faculty Senate decides to do and that the proposed process cannot begin without rescinding the resolution.

Mr. Gibson said the handbook is always subject to change but a format and process must be followed. Mrs. Milligan agreed but stated that someone must be held responsible for meeting the date deadlines. Mr. Pickens said the Board was in agreement with the recommended plan submitted by Dr. Wyatt.

Resolution approving ASU-Jonesboro to offer the Master of Science in Education-Special Education Instructional Specialist P-4 and Special Education Instructional Specialist 4-12 online.

This is recommended because over 50% of the instruction is being conducted on-line.

Upon motion by Mrs. Milligan, second by Col. Wood, Resolution 06-18 was approved.

AYES: Pickens, Gibson, Wood, Medlock, Milligan

NAYS: None

> Resolution approving ASU-Jonesboro to offer a Pre-Law Emphasis in the Department of Economics and Finance.

This will permit students to gain admission into law school.

Upon motion by Mr. Gibson, second by Mr. Medlock, Resolution 06-19 was approved.

AYES: Pickens, Gibson, Wood, Medlock, Milligan

NAYS: None

> Resolution approving ASU-Jonesboro to offer a minor in Religious Studies.

Many public institutions have non-doctrinal religious studies programs that deal with religion in culture, religious expression, and religious thought as expressed broadly through societies. The program is effective August 2006.

Upon motion by Mrs. Milligan, second by Mr. Gibson, Resolution 06-20 was approved.

AYES: Pickens, Gibson, Wood, Medlock, Milligan

NAYS: None

> Resolution approving ASU-Jonesboro to offer a minor in Cognitive Science.

This minor will deal with issues of the mind and will compliment majors in biology, psychology, philosophy, and education.

Upon motion by Col. Wood, second by Mr. Gibson, Resolution 06-21 was approved.

➤ Resolution approving ASU-Jonesboro to offer a minor in Homeland Security and Emergency Management.

This is a growing area of interest and concern as indicated by the report submitted by Chancellor Williams. Dean Susan Hanrahan of the College of Nursing and Health Professions can attest to the growing demand for First Responder training across the country. This program would be effective in August 2006.

Upon motion by Mr. Medlock, second by Mrs. Milligan, Resolution 06-22 was approved.

AYES: Pickens, Gibson, Wood, Medlock, Milligan

NAYS: None

> Resolution approving ASU-Jonesboro to offer a Certificate in Student Affairs.

Upon motion by Mr. Gibson, second by Mr. Medlock, Resolution 06-23 was approved.

AYES: Pickens, Gibson, Wood, Medlock, Milligan

NAYS: None

> Resolution approving ASU-Jonesboro to discontinue the Bachelor of Science in Education in Health Education.

This degree is no longer licensed by the Arkansas Department of Education and therefore should be discontinued.

Upon motion by Mrs. Milligan, second by Col. Wood, Resolution 06-24 was approved.

AYES: Pickens, Gibson, Wood, Medlock, Milligan

NAYS: None

➤ Resolution approving ASU-Jonesboro to change the name of the Department of Speech Communications to the Department of Communication Studies and subsequently the names of the degrees offered in the department.

The name change will reflect current terminology used in the higher education marketplace.

Upon motion by Mr. Medlock, second by Col. Wood, Resolution 06-25 was approved.

AYES: Pickens, Gibson, Wood, Medlock, Milligan

NAYS: None

> Resolution authorizing ASU-Beebe to charge a \$3 per credit hour infrastructure fee.

This is an effort to fund costs for debt service of construction bonds for Education and General buildings effective fall semester 2006.

Upon motion by Mr. Medlock, second by Mr. Gibson, Resolution 06-26 was approved.

AYES: Pickens, Gibson, Wood, Medlock, Milligan

NAYS: None

Resolution approving ASU-Beebe to increase the internet fee from \$10 to
 \$15 per credit hour.

This will give additional support to increase instruction capabilities.

Upon motion by Col. Wood, second by Mr. Gibson, Resolution 06-27 was approved.

AYES: Pickens, Gibson, Wood, Medlock, Milligan

NAYS: None

> Resolution authorizing ASU-Mountain Home to establish a \$10 per credit hour fee for all online courses.

This fee will allow support for delivery of online courses. No fee currently exists.

Upon motion by Mrs. Milligan, second by Mr. Gibson, Resolution 06-28 was approved.

AYES: Pickens, Gibson, Wood, Medlock, Milligan

NAYS: None

> Resolution authorizing ASU-Mountain Home to establish a \$100 laboratory fee for the Funeral Science program.

Upon motion by Col. Wood, second by Mrs. Milligan, Resolution 06-29 was approved.

AYES: Pickens, Gibson, Wood, Medlock, Milligan

NAYS: None

> Resolution authorizing ASU-Mountain Home to establish a laboratory fee of \$25 per course for all welding courses.

Upon motion by Mr. Gibson, second by Mr. Medlock, Resolution 06-30 was approved.

AYES: Pickens, Gibson, Wood, Medlock, Milligan

NAYS: None

> Resolution approving ASU-Newport to discontinue the \$10 parking fee.

Upon motion by Mr. Medlock, second by Mr. Gibson, Resolution 06-31 was approved.

AYES: Pickens, Gibson, Wood, Medlock, Milligan

NAYS: None

Resolution approving ASU-Newport to offer online degrees in the Associate of Arts in Liberal Arts and Associate of Arts in Business.

Upon motion by Mrs. Milligan, second by Col. Wood, Resolution 06-32 was approved.

AYES: Pickens, Gibson, Wood, Medlock, Milligan

NAYS: None

At 11:55 a.m., Mr. Pickens adjourned the meeting to break for lunch. Upon reconvening at 12:41p.m. Mr. Pickens announced, "This body has voted to retire into executive session to consider the personnel action items. We will reconvene in public session following this executive session to present and vote on any action arrived at in private." At 1:31 p.m., the Board was reconvened.

Upon motion by Col. Wood, second by Mrs. Milligan, the academic appointments for Jonesboro were approved.

AYES: Pickens, Gibson, Wood, Medlock, Milligan

NAYS: None

Upon motion by Mr. Medlock, second by Mr. Gibson, the nonacademic appointments for Jonesboro and Beebe were approved.

AYES: Pickens, Gibson, Wood, Medlock, Milligan

NAYS: None

Upon motion by Mrs. Milligan, second by Col. Wood, the academic reassignments of duty for Jonesboro were approved.

AYES: Pickens, Gibson, Wood, Medlock, Milligan

NAYS: None

Upon motion by Mr. Medlock, second by Mr. Gibson, the nonacademic reassignments of duty for Jonesboro were approved.

AYES: Pickens, Gibson, Wood, Medlock, Milligan

NAYS: None

Upon motion by Mr. Gibson, second by Mrs. Milligan, the promotion recommendations for Jonesboro were approved.

AYES: Pickens, Gibson, Wood, Medlock, Milligan

NAYS: None

Upon motion by Mrs. Milligan, second by Mr. Medlock, the promotion recommendations for Beebe were approved.

AYES: Pickens, Gibson, Wood, Medlock, Milligan

NAYS: None

Upon motion by Col. Wood, second by Mr. Gibson, the tenure recommendations for Jonesboro were approved.

AYES: Pickens, Gibson, Wood, Medlock, Milligan

NAYS: None

Upon motion by Mr. Medlock, second by Col. Wood, the tenure recommendations for Beebe were approved.

AYES: Pickens, Gibson, Wood, Medlock, Milligan

NAYS: None

With no further business, Mr. Pickens recognized guests, Representative Bill Stovall, Speaker of the House, and Representative LeRoy Dangeau, and thanked them for their support. On behalf of the Board, Mr. Pickens also extended appreciation to Mr. Wallace Fowler and Liberty Bank for bringing General Colin Powell to ASU. It was a wonderful event enjoyed by all who attended. Col. Wood added that General Powell said this was one of the most enjoyable engagements he had. He said the people of Arkansas were genuine, the event was well organized, and that he would be happy to return if asked.

Upon motion by Col. Wood, second by Mr. Gibson, the meeting adjourned at 1:38 p.m.

AYES: Pickens, Gibson, Wood, Medlock, Milligan

NAYS: None

Dallas Wood, Secretary

Jim Pickens, Chair

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#### EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

Contact: Dr. Les Wyatt 972-3030

ACTION ITEM: Arkansas State University-Jonesboro (ASUJ) requests authority to increase tuition for the fiscal year 2006-2007 an average of 5.0% effective July 1, 2006. The twoyear campuses within the ASU-System (ASU-Mountain Home, ASU-Newport and ASU-Beebe) request authority to increase tuition for fiscal year 2006-2007 an average of 4.41% for in-state and 4.27% for out-of-state tuition with ASU-Mountain Home effective July 1, 2006, and ASU-Beebe and ASU-Newport effective with the Fall 2006 semester.

#### ISSUE:

Arkansas State University has many competing priorities and needs required to assist in raising the quality of the institution on several levels. ASU wishes to provide needed resources to meet Higher Learning Commission (HLC) accreditation purposes, to make improvements in teaching and instruction, and to continue improvements funded in last year's budget in many initiatives designed to benefit our students directly and indirectly. Moreover, ASU students demand increased services and better quality services and the cost of these services increase each year.

#### **BACKGROUND:**

#### ARKANSAS STATE UNIVERSITY-JONESBORO:

ASU-Jonesboro requires an increase of approximately 5.0% in tuition for the 2006-2007 fiscal year to support the budget requirements. The summary of new tuition rates is as follows (based on a 12- hour load):

Resident Undergraduate Resident Graduate Non-Resident Undergraduate Non-Resident Graduate	<u>Current</u> \$1,704 \$2,154 \$4,386 \$5,442	<u>Proposed</u> \$1,788 \$2,262 \$4,608 \$5,718	<u>% Change</u> 4.93% 5.00% 5.06% 5.07%
<u>Undergraduate:</u>	Current	Regular <u>Term</u>	Summer <u>Term</u>
Arkansas Resident per hour	\$142.00	\$149.00	\$149.00
Arkansas Non-Resident Additional Fee per hour	\$223.50	\$235.00	\$235.00

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Graduate:	Current	Regular <u>Term</u>	Summer <u>Term</u>
Arkansas Resident per hour	\$179.50	\$188.50	\$188.50
Arkansas Non-Resident Additional Fee per hour	\$274.00	\$288.00	\$288.00
Off-Campus Courses, including distance learning classes, per hour:  Arkansas Resident Undergraduate Arkansas Resident Graduate		\$188.50 \$216.00	\$188.50 \$216.00
Additional Fee, Non-Resident Undergraduate Additional Fee, Non-Resident Graduate		\$235.00 \$288.00	\$235.00 \$288.00

# **ARKANSAS STATE UNIVERSITY-BEEBE:**

Arkansas State University-Beebe requires an increase of approximately 4.41% for in-state tuition and 4.27% for out-of-state tuition for the 2006-2007 fiscal year to support employee raises, additional faculty, and increases in operating expenses. The summary of new tuition rates for Beebe, Heber Springs, and Searcy follows (based on a 12 hour load):

	<u>Current</u>	<u>Proposed</u>	<u>% Change</u>
Resident Undergraduate	\$ 816	\$ 852	4.41%
Non-Resident Undergraduate	\$1,404	\$1,464	4.27%
ASU-Heber Springs In-County Tuition	\$ 696	\$ 732	5.17%
ASU-Heber Springs Out-of-County Tuition	\$ 816	\$ 852	4.41%
ASU-Searcy Tuition	\$ 732	\$ 852	16.39%

ASU-Searcy tuition increase of 16.39% is the last of a gradual four-year plan to bring ASU-Searcy tuition equivalent to ASU-Beebe tuition.

The following per hour rates are proposed:

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Per hour:	<u>Current</u>	<u>Term</u>	<u>Term</u>
Resident Tuition	\$ 68	\$ 71	<b>\$ 7</b> 1
Non-Resident Tuition	<b>\$</b> 11 <i>7</i>	<b>\$ 122</b>	\$ 122
ASU-Heber Springs In-County Tuition	\$ 58	\$ 61	\$ 61
ASU-Heber Springs Out-of-County Tuition	\$ 68	\$ 71	\$ 71
ASU-Searcy Tuition	\$ 61	\$ 71	<b>\$</b> 71

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		Regular	Summer
Off-campus Courses per hour:	<u>Current</u>	<u>Term</u>	<u>Term</u>
ASU-Beebe	\$ 73	\$ 76	\$ 76
ASU-Heber Springs In-County Off-Campus	\$ 63	\$ 66	\$ 66
ASU-Heber Springs Out-of-County Off-Campus	\$ 73	\$ 76	<b>\$</b> 76
ASU-Searcy	\$ 66	\$ 76	\$ 76
Little Rock Air Force Base	\$ 65	\$ 72	N/A

### ARKANSAS STATE UNIVERSITY-MOUNTAIN HOME:

Arkansas State University-Mountain Home requires an increase of 4.41% for in-state tuition and a 4.27% increase for out-of-state tuition for the 2006-2007 fiscal year to begin July 1, 2006. This increase is needed to supplement state appropriations and other revenues used to support the budget requirements for the year. The summary of new tuition rates follows (based on a 12-hour load):

	<u>Current</u>	<u>Proposed</u>	<u>% Change</u>
Resident Undergraduate	\$ 816	\$ 852	4.41%
Non-Resident Undergraduate	\$1,404	\$1,464	4.27%
		Regular	Summer
Per hour:	<u>Current</u>	<u>Term</u>	<u>Term</u>
Arkansas Resident	\$ 68	\$ 71	<b>\$</b> 71
Non-Resident	\$ 117	\$ 122	\$ 122

# ARKANSAS STATE UNIVERSITY-NEWPORT:

Arkansas State University-Newport requires an average increase of 4.41% for in-state and 4.27% for out-of-state tuition for the 2006-2007 fiscal year. This increase is needed to supplement state appropriations and other revenues used to support the budget needs for the year. The summary of new tuition rates follows (based on a 12-hour load):

Resident Undergraduate Non-Resident Undergraduate	<u>Current</u> \$ 816 \$1,404	<u>Proposed</u> \$ 852 \$1,464	<u>% Change</u> 4.41% 4.27%
Per hour: Arkansas Resident Non-Resident	<u>Current</u> \$ 68 \$ 117	Regular <u>Term</u> \$ 71 \$ 122	Summer <u>Term</u> \$ 71 \$ 122
Off-campus Courses per hour:	<u>Current</u> \$ 73	Regular <u>Term</u> \$ 76	Summer <u>Term</u> \$ 76

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**EXECUTIVE SUMMARY** 

Contact: Dr. Les Wyatt 972-3030

# RECOMMENDATION/RESOLUTION:

Be it resolved that Arkansas State University-Jonesboro is authorized to increase tuition an average of 5.0% to be effective July 1, 2006. Arkansas State University-Mountain Home is authorized to increase tuition an average of 4.41% for in-state and an average of 4.27% for outof-state effective July 1, 2006. Arkansas State University-Beebe and Arkansas State University-Newport are authorized to increase tuition an average of 4.41% for in-state and an average of 4.27% for out-of-state effective with the Fall 2006 semester.

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Jim Pickens, Chair

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#### **EXECUTIVE SUMMARY**

Contact: Dr. Leslie Wyatt 870-972-3030

ACTION ITEM: Arkansas State University (ASU) requests approval of the fiscal year 2006-2007 operating budgets and authority to execute the budgets during the next fiscal year.

ISSUE: The Board of Trustees, by policy, must approve the university's operating budgets for

each fiscal year. The operating budgets establish expenditure levels for certain

categories of expense, including salaries, supplies and services, and capital expenditures. Moreover, the budget establishes sound fiscal policy by which the university manages its

annual fiscal affairs.

# **ARKANSAS STATE UNIVERSITY-JONESBORO**

#### **BACKGROUND:**

The Arkansas State University-Jonesboro 2006-2007 operating budget was developed through several meetings of the Executive Council. The University Planning Committee (UPC) also was utilized during the budget development process. The UPC discussed financial data in the context of tuition, salaries, supplies and expense funds, and investments in student and campus needs. The committee membership consisted of faculty, staff, administrators, and student representatives, and was chaired by the President. With limited additional resources for fiscal year 2006-2007 the President and each Vice President/Chancellor provided minimal lists of resource needs for their respective areas and these priorities were reduced to projected revenues.

Priority areas for Arkansas State University-Jonesboro were:

- Provide funds for salary enhancements and an average of a 3.0% salary increase for continuing faculty and staff.
- Provide funds for faculty promotions.
- Provide funds for faculty and staff equity/labor market adjustments.
- Provide funds for increased costs for scholarships.
- Provide funds for continuing support of the Enterprise Resource System (ERP).
- Provide funds for inflationary increases in utilities, legal fees, bank charges and property insurance.
- Provide funds to support the continuing salary and diversity initiatives of the university.

The budget includes an overall average tuition increase of 5% to generate additional tuition revenue to support the budgeting needs of the university.

The budget for Arkansas State University-Jonesboro is \$111,723,914 for Educational & General Operations and \$22,948,555 for Auxiliary Operations. This budgeted figure includes \$3,838,235 in funds for the Arkansas State University-Technical Center.

#### ARKANSAS STATE UNIVERSITY-BEEBE

#### BACKGROUND:

The Arkansas State University-Beebe Planning Committee has compiled the Educational and General and Auxiliary operating budgets for the 2006-2007 fiscal year. The budget is submitted with the Chancellor's approval. Operating funds are provided for campuses in Beebe, Searcy, Heber Springs, and the Little Rock Air Force Base.

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The committee concentrated on generating new tuition dollars to provide opportunities to start new programs and address needs to continue student services for an expanded student enrollment in the current year. Tuition rates were increased 4.41%.

Priority areas for Arkansas State University-Beebe were:

- Provide revenue by increasing resident tuition by \$3 per credit hour.
- Provide faculty for new programs in Veterinary Technology, Criminal Justice, and Welding.
- Provide a 3% raise for full-time employees.
- Provide six new faculty for growth in existing programs.
- Provide additional funds for part-time faculty salaries.
- Provide new funds to cover debt service expense related to a bond issue for classroom construction by proposing a \$3 per credit hour Infrastructure Fee.
- Provide additional scholarship funds.

The Arkansas State University-Beebe budget for fiscal year 2006-2007 is \$22,142,663 for Educational and General Operations and \$2,660,354 for Auxiliary Operations.

#### ARKANSAS STATE UNIVERSITY-MOUNTAIN HOME

#### BACKGROUND:

The 2006-2007 budget structure is based upon the effort to meet the needs of the Arkansas State University-Mountain Home student population. The process included prioritizing needs and resources necessary to insure quality instruction, improving facilities, and meeting the needs of the institution's constituents.

Arkansas State University-Mountain Home is committed to improvements in learning by providing quality instruction, increased employee salaries, excellent facilities, relevant academic programs, and serving the needs of business and industry.

Financial concepts are as follows:

- The estimated income for the 2006-2007 fiscal year is estimated to be \$7,295,241. This figure represents a 6.4% increase from the 2005-2006 approved budget.
- The budgeted expenditures reflect the same number of faculty positions as indicated in the 2005-2006 budget. However, with the retirement of three faculty members and the phasing out of Hearing Healthcare, Arkansas State University-Mountain Home has four open faculty positions, one of them being a new position in elementary education. The 2006-2007 budget also reflects an increase in instructional salaries, the continuation of the classified staff merit fund, two additional classified staff, and one new position for the employment of a grant writer.
- Classified staff salaries are calculated as stipulated by Act 2198 of 2005. Employees with a salary of \$20,000 or less will receive a \$600 increase. Those employees above \$20,000 will receive a 3% increase. Budgeted funds are available for the Career Ladder Incentive Program. Faculty salaries were calculated at 2% across the board with an additional amount to individuals with an attempt to reach a level of equity and merit for those individuals with exceptional performance. Administrative salaries were increased by 2% and a merit and equity pool for exceptional

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performance and equity adjustments. Benefit expenditures will increase proportionately with salary increases.

- The expenditure budget for instructional supplies and services has increased by 5.6% with the bulk of the increase going to instruction and physical plant maintenance.
- Funding for replacement of some instructional laboratory computers is provided within the 2006-2007 budget. Other essential equipment for the year will be provided for by grants, private funds, and transfers from supplies and services.
- Arkansas State University-Mountain Home has a budget reserve of \$240,545 set aside for unexpected expenses during the 2006-2007 fiscal year.

The Arkansas State University-Mountain Home budget is \$7,295,241 for Educational and General Operations. Auxiliary Operations are only budgeted for income. There are no Auxiliary Operations expenses anticipated.

#### ARKANSAS STATE UNIVERSITY-NEWPORT

#### BACKGROUND:

The Arkansas State University-Newport Executive Council developed the operating budget for the 2006-2007 fiscal year. The process also included the involvement of departmental and division staff where budget requests were generated and forwarded for consideration. The Chancellor has reviewed the document and has given his approval. Included in the process was the prioritization of needs and resources necessary to meet the goals of the institution in order to insure quality instruction, improve facilities, and meet the needs of the campus community.

Priorities for Arkansas State University-Newport are as follows:

- Provide funds for salary enhancements and an average of a 3% salary increase for faculty and staff.
- Provide additional revenue by increasing tuition by \$3 per credit hour. Total projected revenue for the 2006-2007 fiscal year is \$6,180,881.
- Provide additional support for computer services in the areas of additional personnel and operational funds.
- Provide additional support for distance education in the area of operational funds.
- Address other funding needs for other departments and expenditure lines of the institution.

The Arkansas State University–Newport proposed budget is \$6,180,881 for Educational and General Operations and \$259,500 for Auxiliary Operations.

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# ARKANSAS STATE UNIVERSITY SYSTEM OFFICE

#### BACKGROUND:

The ASU System Office was established in fiscal year 2000-2001. State appropriations for the ASU System for fiscal year 2006-2007 has been funded on the Department of Finance and Administration forecasts in the amount of \$1,501,972 as a non-formula funded item. In addition to the \$1,501,972 funded at the state level, Arkansas State University-Jonesboro will transfer funds in the amount of \$609,354. The System Office continues to provide institutional support for all campuses. The ASU System Office will be officially created for fiscal year 2006-2007 with the creation of the Arkansas State University System President's Office and other Arkansas State University System functions.

The fiscal year 2006-2007 Arkansas State University System Office budget is \$2,111,326 for Educational and General operations.

#### RECOMMENDATION/RESOLUTION:

Be it resolved that Arkansas State University be authorized to execute the fiscal year 2006-2007 operating budget in the amount of \$149,454,025 as summarized on the attachment for Education and General Expenses and \$25,868,409 for Auxiliary Operations.

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Contact: Jennus Burton (870) 972-3303

# **EXECUTIVE SUMMARY**

ASU-Jonesboro requests approval to sell land in Craighead County.

**ISSUE:** ASU-Jonesboro (ASUJ) would like to sell by bidding process the 26.4 acres located at

East Johnson Avenue at Stadium Boulevard. Attached is a map of the 26.4 acres.

### **BACKGROUND:**

**ACTION ITEM:** 

 ASUJ owns a tract of land located in Craighead County comprised of 26.4 acres. The property is currently not encumbered by lease and is used to grow hay.

- A May 2003 appraisal estimated the property value at \$3,537,000.
- Land sales for Higher Education Institutions are governed by Act 22-6-601, which outlines the process to be followed:
  - Have the property appraised.
  - Obtain Board of Trustees approval to sell the land.
  - Advertise the land for sale in a statewide and local newspaper, seeking bids on the property, indicating the time and place for bidding.
  - Each bid must be accompanied by a cashier's check equal to one tenth of the amount of the bid.
  - Open bids and select purchaser.
  - o If no bids are received, then ASUJ is free to negotiate with specific potential buyers at the appraised price or higher.
  - Upon full payment, ASUJ executes and delivers the deed at closing.
- The land is currently classified as an auxiliary operation. When the land is sold the proceeds may be used for any university purpose, including, but not limited to, funding high priority capital projects or other high priority land acquisitions. Examples of high priority capital project needs are: (1) Matching requirements for the Department of Commerce \$1.8 million grant for the College of Business, (2) Relocation costs for the tennis courts, (3) Local funds required for the Westside Overpass construction, (4) Development costs for the west side campus development plan, (5) Systems Office development, or (6) Other high priority capital needs. Land acquisition needs could be any properties that become a target of opportunity located in the University's land acquisition zone.

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- The parcel is quite large. Consequently, ASUJ would consider dividing the parcel into one-to-two acre
  parcels for sale individually or sell the entire parcel as is; which ever alternative would provide the
  greatest return. ASUJ will have an engineer provide a layout for potential redevelopment.
- On balance, we recommend that the property be sold at the 2003 appraised value or higher and used for high priority capital projects or other high priority land acquisitions.

#### RECOMMENDATION/RESOLUTION:

Be it resolved that Arkansas State University-Jonesboro is authorized to sell by bidding process 26.4 acres located in Craighead County as described herein. If no bids are received, ASU is authorized to sell the land through negotiations at or above the appraised value.

Dallas Wood, Secretary



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Contact: Jennus Burton 972-3303

**EXECUTIVE SUMMARY** 

**ACTION ITEM:** 

Arkansas State University-Jonesboro requests approval to enter into an agreement with the City of Jonesboro concerning the funding and construction of the Westside Overpass.

**ISSUE:** 

The City of Jonesboro has passed a resolution approving \$1 million for the ASU-Jonesboro (ASUJ) Westside Overpass total project budget use with certain caveats; one requires the Board of Trustees to adopt a resolution in support of the project and certain other related requirements.

#### **BACKGROUND:**

- ASUJ has been managing the design and financing of a new overpass to span the railroad tracks at the south end of campus and replace two at-grade railroad crossings. This project will make the area safer and improve the quality of life for students, faculty, staff, and Jonesboro community members.
- The total project is estimated to cost \$17,214,218. This estimate was produced in May 2005. ASUJ has been successful in acquiring slightly over \$15 million in funding commitments from the Federal Government and the Arkansas Highway and Transportation Department (AHTD). ASUJ has requested \$1 million from the City of Jonesboro to assist with the total project costs. The Jonesboro City Council adopted an ordinance on April 18, 2006, that supports providing the \$1 million with the following stipulations:
  - ASUJ must seek approval from the AHTD for permission to include the drainage condition repair at Marshall Estates as add alternate number one to include construction of a drainage pipe and erosion control. If the \$17.2 million budget cannot fund this add alternate, then the City of Jonesboro will be obligated to fund the full or partial cost of the drainage pipe and erosion control construction.
  - 2. Add alternate number one will be funded before any additional changes or add alternates occur.
  - 3. The design for the add alternate number one must be provided by the City of Jonesboro.
  - 4. ASUJ's consultant Carter Burgess has certified that the detention pond currently designed will be sufficient to receive the runoff from Marshall Estates property through a drainage pipe to be designed.
  - 5. Carter Burgess certifies that the removal of the bridges on Caraway Road will not have significant impact to the water surface elevation upstream or downstream.

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- The City of Jonesboro has requested that the ASU Board of Trustees adopt this resolution before they commit the future funding.
- The City of Jonesboro has asked that all of the herein described conditions be met before the City will include funds in the annual 2007 and 2008 adopted budgets at \$500,000 per year.

## RECOMMENDATION/RESOLUTION:

Be it resolved that Arkansas State University-Jonesboro is authorized to enter into this agreement with the City of Jonesboro to acquire \$1 million towards the funding needs for the Westside Overpass total project cost needs. Furthermore, ASUJ will meet all of the requirements stated herein.

Dallas Wood, Secretary

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#### **EXECUTIVE SUMMARY**

**ACTION ITEM:** 

Arkansas State University-Jonesboro (ASU-J) requests approval of summer 2006

private athletic camp agreements.

ISSUE:

Arkansas State University wishes to contract with certain athletic personnel to conduct various private athletic camps on the Jonesboro campus. These camps are designed to bring future students to Arkansas State University due to their exposure to its facilities and personnel while engaged in program activities. Additionally, funds are generated and paid to ASU to cover the use of its facilities and auxiliary services.

#### **BACKGROUND:**

- Act 707 of 1981 entitled "AN ACT TO SAFEGUARD THE STATE'S INTEREST IN INSTITUTION-OWNED FACILITIES; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES," empowers the Boards of Trustees of the state institutions of higher learning to grant permission to employees of such institutions to conduct, on and in campus facilities, certain outside work for private compensation (as described in the Act) which are to be engaged in only after they have discharged fully their employment responsibilities to such institutions.
- The Act grants the Board the non-delegable duty to make express findings of fact as follows:
  - The activity in question involves no conflict of interest with the mission and purpose of the institution itself;
  - The activity proposed would bring to the campus a significant number of persons who are
    potentially future students who might tend to enroll on that campus as a result of their exposure
    to its facilities and its personnel while engaged in this activity; and
  - The contemplated activity will, as a part thereof, generate funds to be paid to the state
    institution for housing, meals, and for the use of other institutional resources which will produce
    significant revenues in support of the auxiliary functions of the particular campus serving its
    enrolled students.
- The following 2006 contracts comply with Act 707 of 1981:

John Arce (Director of Strength and Conditioning)

June 5 – 8, 2006; June 12 – 15, 2006; June 19 – 22, 2006;

June 26 – 29, 2006; July 10 – 13, 2006; July 17 – 20, 2006

Brian Boyer (Head Women's Basketball Coach)
June 2 – 3, 2006; June 16 – 23, 2006

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Craig Cummings (Head Volleyball Coach)

July 10 – 12, 2006; July 27 – 29, 2006

Keith Kessinger (Head Baseball Coach) June 5 – 9, 2006; June 19 – 23, 2006

Dickey Nutt (Head Men's Basketball Coach)

June 25 – 28, 2006; June 30 – July 2, 2006

Steve Roberts (Head Football Coach) June 8 – 10, 2006

Jason Wharton (Head Soccer Coach)

June 19 – 22, 2006; June 26 – 29, 2006; July 24 – 27, 2006

Marcia Williams (Women's Tennis Coach)

May 30 - June 2, 2006; June 19 - 22, 2006; June 26 - 29, 2006

#### RECOMMENDATION/RESOLUTION:

Be it resolved that Arkansas State University-Jonesboro be authorized to enter into the agreements submitted, for the purpose of allowing certain athletic personnel to conduct private athletic camps on and in Arkansas State University campus facilities.

Dallas Wood, Secretary

#### **EXECUTIVE SUMMARY**

Contact: Dr. Susan Allen (972-2030)

**ACTION ITEM:** 

Arkansas State University-Jonesboro (ASU-J) requests approval to increase the

undergraduate, graduate, specialist, and doctoral graduation fees, effective

2006-2007 academic year.

**ISSUE:** 

The Board of Trustees must approve any fee that is being added or increased.

### **BACKGROUND:**

The request to increase the graduation fee is submitted in an effort to meet the increased costs of graduation (e.g., attire, printing, musicians, and other related costs). This fee has not been increased in more than 10 years.

<b>Graduation Fee</b>	<u>Current</u>	<b>Proposed</b>
Undergraduate	\$37	\$ 45
Graduate	52	65
Specialist	60	75
Doctoral	90	125

#### RECOMMENDATION/RESOLUTION:

Be it resolved that Arkansas State University-Jonesboro is approved to increase the undergraduate, graduate, specialist, and doctoral graduation fees, effective 2006-2007 academic year.

Dallas Wood, Secretary

#### **EXECUTIVE SUMMARY**

Contact: Dr. Leslie Wyatt 870-972-3030

**ACTION ITEM:** 

Arkansas State University-Jonesboro (ASUJ) requests authorization to revise the

Faculty Handbook by adding the description of the Staff Hearing Committee to

the Shared Governance structure.

ISSUE:

The Board of Trustees must approve any changes to the Faculty Handbook.

#### BACKGROUND:

The Board of Trustees approved a revised Faculty Handbook on February 24, 2006. The Staff Hearing Committee is listed as an Institutional Governance Committee, but the description was inadvertently omitted.

The description of the Staff Hearing Committee to be included in the Faculty Handbook is attached.

## RECOMMENDATION/RESOLUTION:

Be it resolved that Arkansas State University-Jonesboro is authorized to revise the Faculty Handbook by adding the description of the Staff Hearing Committee to the Shared Governance structure.

Dallas Wood, Secretary

## **Staff Hearing Committee**

The committee will hear staff grievances related to conditions of employment such as: promotion, retention, termination, salary, and job assignment. This committee functions as set out in the System Staff Handbook.

#### **EXECUTIVE SUMMARY**

Contact: Dr. Susan Allen (972-2030)

ACTION ITEM: Arkansas State University-Jonesboro (ASU-J) requests approval to offer the

existing Master of Science in Education—Special Education Instructional Specialist P-4 and Special Education Instructional Specialist 4-12 online, effective August

2006.

ISSUE: The Board of Trustees must approve programs where 50% or more of the

courses are being delivered online prior to submitting a proposal to the Arkansas

Department of Higher Education.

#### BACKGROUND:

The proposed MSE programs will contain the identical content and standards that are present in the existing MSE programs; but, over 50 percent of the coursework will be provided online. The Master of Science in Educational Degree-Special Education Instructional Specialist P-4 and the Master of Science in Education Degree-Special Education 4-12 offer educators an advanced performance-based program of study based on the recommendations of professional organizations and accrediting associations such as the Council for Exceptional Children (CEC) and National Council for Accreditation of Teacher Education (NCATE). Students completing the P-4 program are prepared to work in a variety of professional roles with young children with disabilities, birth through grade 4, and their families. Students completing the 4-12 program gain expertise in teaching students exhibiting developmental, learning and behavior disabilities, and in consulting with general education teachers who have students with disabilities in the classroom.

#### RECOMMENDATION/RESOLUTION:

Be it resolved that Arkansas State University-Jonesboro is approved to offer the Master of Science in Education—Special Education Instructional Specialist P-4 and Special Education Instructional Specialist 4-12 online, effective August 2006.

**Dallas Wood, Secretary** 

#### **EXECUTIVE SUMMARY**

Contact: Dr. Susan Allen (972-2030)

**ACTION ITEM:** 

Arkansas State University-Jonesboro (ASU-J) requests approval to offer a Pre-

Law emphasis in the Department of Economics and Finance, effective August

2006.

**ISSUE:** 

The Board of Trustees must approve any new program submitted to the

Arkansas Department of Higher Education.

#### **BACKGROUND:**

This new emphasis area will successfully prepare students who want to enter law school. Research by the University of North Texas has shown that in 1991-1992 and again in 1994-1995, that among the 14 majors that had more than 2,000 students taking the LSAT exam, economics students received the highest average score in both years. Economic development in Arkansas hinges on increasing the number of students with both bachelors degrees and professional/graduate degrees. To the extent that this no cost program increases the number of students who are successful in gaining admission to law school, the state gains valuable human capital resources.

#### RECOMMENDATION/RESOLUTION:

Be it resolved that Arkansas State University-Jonesboro is approved to offer the Pre-Law Emphasis in the Department of Economics and Finance, effective August 2006.

Dallas Wood, Secretary

#### **EXECUTIVE SUMMARY**

Contact: Dr. Susan Allen (972-2030)

**ACTION ITEM:** 

Arkansas State University-Jonesboro (ASU-J) requests approval to offer a minor

in Religious Studies, effective August 2006.

**ISSUE:** 

The Board of Trustees must approve any new program submitted to the

Arkansas Department of Higher Education.

#### BACKGROUND:

The minor in Religious Studies provides students with knowledge of the vital force that religion plays in all cultures, its role in societal interaction, how it impinges upon all facets of cultural impulses, creativity, and belief systems, as well as its apparent instinctual needs for peoples of differences in thought, beliefs, and political systems.

The curriculum chosen for the minor enables students to study within three areas: Religion and Culture, Religious Expression, and Religious Thought and Belief. These areas of focus represent interdisciplinary opportunities, which, when combined with the core course, present students with a program that provides special interest to this area of the country, a particular interest for the climate and tenor of America today, as well as to provide access to such studies at a state institution, one without doctrinal affiliation.

#### RECOMMENDATION/RESOLUTION:

Be it resolved that Arkansas State University-Jonesboro is approved to offer the minor in Religious Studies, effective August 2006.

Dallas Wood, Secretary

#### **EXECUTIVE SUMMARY**

Contact: Dr. Susan Allen (972-2030)

**ACTION ITEM:** 

Arkansas State University-Jonesboro (ASU-J) requests approval to offer a minor

in Cognitive Science, effective August 2006.

**ISSUE:** 

The Board of Trustees must approve any new program submitted to the

Arkansas Department of Higher Education.

#### BACKGROUND:

The Cognitive Science minor's interdisciplinary nature would serve a diverse student population. Students interested in going to graduate programs where an understanding of the behavioral and physiological underpinnings of cognitive activity is important would gravitate to this minor. In today's research climate, the "mind" is a hot topic. Research into the mind is being conducted from a variety of disciplines and perspectives. The Cognitive Science (CS) minor would provide an opportunity for ASU to offer students a straightforward way in which to experience this research. The interdisciplinary nature of a CS minor would complement a specific major in biology, philosophy, education, psychology, or any number of other majors as well. Furthermore, any student interested in the "mind" could easily add CS to their major course of study.

#### **RECOMMENDATION/RESOLUTION:**

Be it resolved that Arkansas State University-Jonesboro is approved to offer the minor in Cognitive Science, effective August 2006.

Dallas Wood, Secretary

#### **EXECUTIVE SUMMARY**

Contact: Dr. Susan Allen (972-2030)

**ACTION ITEM:** 

Arkansas State University-Jonesboro (ASU-J) requests approval to offer a minor

in Homeland Security and Emergency Management, effective August 2006.

ISSUE:

The Board of Trustees must approve any new program submitted to the

Arkansas Department of Higher Education.

## **BACKGROUND:**

This multidisciplinary minor will integrate principles of early recognition and treatment, mitigation, cultural and spiritual influences, issues related to law enforcement, media and mental health aspects of biological, chemical, radiological, and nuclear terrorism as well as natural disasters. Disaster and emergency management will be an integral part of the minor. Students completing the minor should have a basis of knowledge to be a contributor in disasters and emergencies in their communities and places of employment.

## RECOMMENDATION/RESOLUTION:

Be it resolved that Arkansas State University-Jonesboro is approved to offer the minor in Homeland Security and Emergency Management, effective August 2006.

Dallas Wood, Secretary

#### **EXECUTIVE SUMMARY**

Contact: Dr. Susan Allen (972-2030)

**ACTION ITEM:** 

Arkansas State University-Jonesboro (ASU-J) requests approval to offer a

Certificate in Student Affairs, effective August 2006.

ISSUE:

The Board of Trustees must approve any new program submitted to the

Arkansas Department of Higher Education.

## **BACKGROUND:**

To provide an opportunity for practicing student personnel services workers in higher education settings to upgrade their knowledge and skills for working with college students without having to commit themselves to a full graduate degree program.

## RECOMMENDATION/RESOLUTION:

Be it resolved that Arkansas State University-Jonesboro is approved to offer the Certificate in Student Affairs, effective August 2006.

Dallas Wood, Secretary

#### **EXECUTIVE SUMMARY**

Contact: Dr. Susan Allen (972-2030)

**ACTION ITEM:** 

Arkansas State University-Jonesboro (ASU-J) requests approval to discontinue the Bachelor of Science in Education in Health Education program in the Department of Health, Physical Education, and Sport Science (HPESS), effective

January 2008.

**ISSUE:** 

The Board of Trustees must approve any program that is being discontinued prior to notifying the Arkansas Higher Education Coordinating Board.

## **BACKGROUND:**

The program was originally offered for students pursuing certification in Health Education. Beginning in 2002, the Arkansas Department of Education merged health and physical education, thus eliminating the health licensure and creating a PE, Wellness, Leisure license. Since the BSE in Health is no longer licensed by the Arkansas Department of Education, the HPESS Department will no longer offer a degree program in Health Education. Students who want to teach health in the public school may now do so by completing a BSE in Physical Education.

#### RECOMMENDATION/RESOLUTION:

Be it resolved that Arkansas State University-Jonesboro is approved to discontinue the Bachelor of Science in Education in Health Education program in the Department of Health, Physical Education, and Sport Science, effective January 2008.

Dallas Wood, Secretary

#### **EXECUTIVE SUMMARY**

Contact: Dr. Susan Allen (972-2030)

**ACTION ITEM:** 

Arkansas State University-Jonesboro (ASU-J) requests approval to change the name of the Department of Speech Communications to the Department of Communication Studies; to change the name of the Bachelor of Arts in Speech Communications to the Bachelor of Arts in Communication Studies; to change the Master of Arts in Speech Communications to the Master of Arts in Communication Studies; to change the minor in Speech Communications to a minor in Communication Studies; and, to change the emphasis in Speech Communications to an emphasis in Communication Studies , effective August 2006.

ISSUE:

The Board of Trustees must approve departmental and program name changes prior to notifying the Arkansas Department of Higher Education.

#### **BACKGROUND:**

An estimated 90% of all departments in the discipline use either the term "Communication" or "Communication Studies" as the departmental name (King, 1996, Association in Communication Administration Bulletin). Changing the name will keep the discipline current.

#### **RECOMMENDATION/RESOLUTION:**

Be it resolved that Arkansas State University-Jonesboro is approved to change the name of the Department of Speech Communications to Department of Communication Studies; to change the name of the Bachelor of Arts in Speech Communications to the Bachelor of Arts in Communication Studies; to change the Master of Arts in Speech Communications to the Master of Arts in Communication Studies; to change the minor in Speech Communications to a minor in Communication Studies; and, to change the emphasis in Speech Communications to an emphasis in Communication Studies, effective August 2006.

Dallas Wood, Secretary

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#### **EXECUTIVE SUMMARY**

Contact: Mr. Jerry Carlisle (501-882-8235)

**ACTION ITEM:** 

Arkansas State University-Beebe requests authorization to charge an infrastructure fee of \$3 per credit hour beginning with the fall semester

2006.

ISSUE:

The Arkansas State University Board of Trustees must approve all student

fee changes.

#### **BACKGROUND:**

- ASU-Beebe must provide facilities for use by academic programs at its campuses in Beebe, Searcy, and Heber Springs.
- The fee revenue will be used to help fund the cost of debt service of construction bonds issued for Educational & General buildings.
- ASU-Beebe recently issued bonds for the construction of a new science building on the Beebe campus and will need additional revenue to help support the debt expense in the 2007 fiscal year.

## **RECOMMENDATION/RESOLUTION:**

Be it resolved that Arkansas State University-Beebe is authorized to charge a \$3 per credit hour infrastructure fee beginning with the fall semester 2006.

Dallas Wood, Secretary

#### **EXECUTIVE SUMMARY**

Contact: Mr. Jerry Carlisle (501-882-8235)

**ACTION ITEM:** 

Arkansas State University-Beebe requests approval to increase the internet fee from \$10 to \$15 per credit hour for classes taught on the internet

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beginning with the fall semester 2006.

ISSUE:

The Arkansas State University Board of Trustees must approve all student

fee changes.

## **BACKGROUND:**

Arkansas State University-Beebe began teaching courses on-line in 1999.

- The current fee of \$10 per credit hour does not provide adequate funds to support the cost of delivering the instruction via the web.
- In the spring semester of 2006, the university has 973 students enrolled in 4,497 student semester credit hours of on-line courses.
- Using a \$15 per credit hour fee in lieu of the current rate would increase the revenue by 50%.

## **RECOMMENDATION/RESOLUTION:**

Be it resolved that Arkansas State University-Beebe is approved to increase the internet fee from \$10 to \$15 per credit hour beginning with the fall semester 2006.

Dallas Wood, Secretary

#### **EXECUTIVE SUMMARY**

Contact: Lyndle E. McCurley (870) 508-6122

**ACTION ITEM:** 

Arkansas State University-Mountain Home requests authority to establish a fee of

\$10.00 per credit hour for all online courses.

ISSUE:

The Board of Trustees must authorize establishment or approve any change of

course fees for Arkansas State University-Mountain Home.

#### **BACKGROUND:**

- The Arkansas State University Board of Trustees approved a \$10.00 per credit hour fee for Hearing Healthcare and Opticianary online course offerings on the ASUMH campus on March 14, 2003.
- ASUMH has experienced tremendous growth in other areas with regard to online credit courses. Because of the additional expense to prepare, deliver, and supervise these courses, and since the ASU Board resolution only addressed a fee for Hearing Healthcare and Opticianary, it has become necessary to request approval for the \$10.00 per credit hour fee to be applied to all online courses offered at ASUMH beginning with the fall term 2006.

#### RECOMMENDATION/RESOLUTION:

Be it resolved that Arkansas State University-Mountain Home is authorized to establish a fee of \$10.00 per credit hour for all online courses offered at ASUMH beginning with the fall 2006 semester.

Dallas Wood Secretary

#### **EXECUTIVE SUMMARY**

Contact: Lyndle E. McCurley

(870) 508-6122

**ACTION ITEM:** 

Arkansas State University- Mountain Home (ASUMH) requests authority to

establish a \$100.00 laboratory fee for the Funeral Science program.

ISSUE:

The Board of Trustees must authorize establishments or approve any

change of course fees for Arkansas State University-Mountain Home.

#### **BACKGROUND:**

 Arkansas State University-Mountain Home has an ongoing extremely successful funeral science program. At this time, ASUMH does not collect a laboratory fee for this program.

Because of the unique characteristics of this program, and the rising cost of laboratory
equipment and expendable supplies, it has become necessary to request approval for a
\$100.00 laboratory fee to cover the cost of all laboratory experiences provided by
ASUMH to the students in this program.

#### RECOMMENDATION/RESOLUTION:

Be it resolved that Arkansas State University-Mountain Home is authorized to establish a laboratory fee of \$100.00 for the funeral science program beginning with the fall term 2006.

Dallas Wood, Secretary

#### **EXECUTIVE SUMMARY**

Contact: Lyndle E. McCurley

(870) 508-6122

**ACTION ITEM:** 

Arkansas State University-Mountain Home (ASUMH) requests authority to establish a laboratory fee of \$25.00 per course for all welding courses.

ISSUE:

The Board of Trustees must authorize the establishment or approve any change of course fees for Arkansas State University-Mountain Home.

#### **BACKGROUND:**

- ASUMH has been approved by the Arkansas Department of Higher Education to offer a credit program in welding beginning with the fall term 2006.
- ASUMH is committed to improvements in learning by providing a wide range of courses to meet the needs of our student population within the service area.
- Because of the additional expense to provide and maintain equipment and supplies for this program, it is necessary to request approval of a laboratory fee of \$25.00 per course.

## RECOMMENDATION/RESOLUTION:

Be it resolved that Arkansas State University-Mountain Home is authorized to establish a laboratory fee of \$25.00 per course for all welding courses beginning with the fall term 2006.

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#### **EXECUTIVE SUMMARY**

Contact: Bob Stiger (870) 512-7801

**ACTION ITEM:** 

Arkansas State University-Newport requests approval to discontinue the parking

fee beginning August 2006.

ISSUE:

The Board of Trustees must authorize establishment or approve any change of

fees for Arkansas State University-Newport.

## **BACKGROUND:**

Arkansas State University-Newport does not generate significant revenue through the collection
of the parking fee. With the variety of course delivery options available to students, it is not
necessary to collect a parking fee from students who are not required to commute to the campus.
By discontinuing this fee, students will experience a minor savings.

## RECOMMENDATION/RESOLUTION:

Be it resolved that Arkansas State University-Newport is approved to discontinue the collection of the \$10 parking fee beginning August 2006.

Dallas Wood, Secretary

#### **EXECUTIVE SUMMARY**

**Contact: Larry Davis, 870-512-7841** 

**ACTION ITEM:** 

Arkansas State University-Newport requests the authority to offer online degrees

in the Associate of Arts in Liberal Arts and Associate of Arts in Business

beginning August 2006.

ISSUE:

The Arkansas State University Board of Trustees must approve all academic programs prior to submission to the Arkansas Department of Higher Education.

#### **BACKGROUND:**

Interest in online courses has increased dramatically in the past five (5) years. In fall 2000, ASU-Newport offered two courses online that enrolled 30 students. In fall 2005, ASU-Newport offered 35 courses with a duplicated enrollment of 550 students. In response to this interest, many universities have begun to offer degrees online. Given the recent surge in interest in the online courses, stimulated in part by student desire to work while attending college or family life constraints, students are seeking undergraduate courses and programs that will accommodate their active schedule and still provide them with a quality education.

#### RECOMMENDATION/RESOLUTION:

Be it resolved that Arkansas State University-Newport is authorized to offer online degrees in the Associate of Arts in Liberal Arts and Associate of Arts in Business beginning August 2006.

Dallas Wood, Secretary

## ARKANSAS STATE UNIVERSITY-JONESBORO **ACADEMIC APPOINTMENTS**

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## ACADEMIC REASSIGNMENTS OF DUTY

(List Prepared for the Media) May 4, 2006

#### **ACADEMIC APPOINTMENTS:**

#### MS. DEDRA BAREFOOT

Visiting Instructor in Management

#### DR. RICHARD BISHOP

Assistant Professor of Special Education

#### DR. GARY EDWARDS

Assistant Professor of History

#### MR. JOHN MELLO

Assistant Professor of Marketing

#### DR. JOHN PRATT

Chair, Department of Chemistry & Physics; Professor of Physics

#### DR. PATRICK WILLIAMS

Assistant Professor of Sociology

#### **REASSIGNMENTS OF DUTY:**

#### DR. CAROLYN SUE McLARRY

FROM: Interim Chair, Department of Nursing

TO: Chair, Department of Nursing

EFFECTIVE: April 1, 2006

#### DR. BRADY BANTA

Assistant Professor of History FROM:

Associate Professor of History TO:

EFFECTIVE: July 1, 2006

## ARKANSAS STATE UNIVERSITY-JONESBORO RECENT NON-ACADEMIC APPOINTMENTS

(List Prepared for Media) May 4, 2006

JACKSON, MELISSA

Advisor/Instructor
Wilson Advising Center

Effective Date: March 1, 2006

# ARKANSAS STATE UNIVERSITY-BEEBE NON-ACADEMIC APPOINTMENTS

(List Prepared for Media) May 4, 2006

## MR. WILLIAMS "TODD" HUNTER

Workforce Training Coordinator Arkansas State University-Searcy

Effective: April 1, 2006

## MS. MICHELLE SUPRATMAN

Career Pathways Work Readiness Instructor Arkansas State University-Searcy

Effective: April 1, 2006

## ARKANSAS STATE UNIVERSITY-JONESBORO NON-ACADEMIC REASSIGNMENTS OF DUTY

(List Prepared for the Media) May 4, 2006

**CREMEENS, LAURA** 

FROM: Administrative Secretary, College of Communications

TO: Research Assistant, Student Affairs

EFFECTIVE: February 27, 2006

REED, RICHARD TODD

FROM: Research Assistant, Information and Technology Services

TO: Assistant Director Web Services, Information and

Technology Services

EFFECTIVE: March 1, 2006

#### ARKANSAS STATE UNIVERSITY-JONESBORO

(List Prepared for the Media) May 4, 2006

## Promotion Recommendations for Associate Professor Effective AY 2006-2007

College of Business	<b>Department</b>
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Kelly E. Fish Computer and Information Technology

Paula D. Ruby Computer and Information Technology

College of Education Department

Marla Graves Health, Physical Education, and Sport Sciences

Joseph R. Nichols Educational Leadership, Curriculum and

Special Education

College of Nursing & Health Professions Department

Roy Lee Aldridge Health Professions, Physical Therapy

Julie J. Isaacson Nursing

Annette Smith Stacy Nursing

Deborah J. Persell Nursing

Deborah Gilbert-Palmer Nursing

Loretta G. Brewer Social Work

College of Sciences and Mathematics Department

Thomas Risch Biological Sciences

#### ARKANSAS STATE UNIVERSITY-JONESBORO

(List Prepared for the Media) May 4, 2006

## Promotion Recommendations for Professor Effective AY 2006-2007

College of Agriculture Department

Donald W. Kennedy NA

College of Business Department

Leslie Kim Hester Management and Marketing

John Seydel Computer and Information Technology

College of Education Department

John Hall Psychology and Counseling

College of Humanities & Social Sciences Department

Erik Gilbert History

## ARKANSAS STATE UNIVERSITY-BEEBE PROMOTION RECOMMENDATIONS FOR 2006-2007

May 4, 2006 (List Prepared for Media)

#### **Promotion Recommendation for Assistant Professor**

- Ms. Janet Benight to Assistant Professor of Physical Education
- Mr. Clay McCastlain to Assistant Professor of Biology
- Mr. Mark Oliver to Assistant Professor of Physical Education
- Ms. Merrellyn Stark to Assistant Professor of History
- Ms. Regina Williams to Assistant Professor of English

#### **Promotion Recommendation for Associate Professor**

Dr. Tammie Burger to Associate Professor of Music

## ARKANSAS STATE UNIVERSITY--JONESBORO

(List Prepared for the Media) May 4, 2006

### Recommendations for Tenure Effective AY 2006-2007

College of Business Department

Kelly E. Fish Computer and Information Technology

College of Education Department

Marla Graves Health, Physical Education and Sport Sciences

Joseph R. Nichols Educational Leadership, Curriculum and

Special Education

College of Nursing & Health Professions Department

Roy Lee Aldridge Physical Therapy

Judith T. Pfriemer Nursing

Deborah J. Persell Nursing

Deborah Gilbert-Palmer Nursing

Loretta G. Brewer Social Work

College of Sciences and Mathematics Department

Thomas Risch Biological Sciences

## ARKANSAS STATE UNIVERSITY-BEEBE TENURE RECOMMENDATIONS FOR 2006-2007

May 4, 2006 (List Prepared for Media)

#### **Tenure Recommendation**

- Ms. Rhonda Durham, Assistant Professor of Business
- Mr. Roger Moore, Assistant Professor of Business
- Mr. Charles Wisdom, Assistant Professor of Agriculture