

Draft Minutes for August 19, 2020
On-line Meeting via Zoom

Present: Charley Allen-Dunn, Marty Anderson, Dr. S.G. Carthell, Duane Dycus, Dr. Jessica Evans, Debbie Griffin, Marion Hale, LaDonna Hamontree, Orville Herndon, Matthew Jones,

Dr. Robert L. (Bob) Jackson, University President; Dr. Robert Pervine, Associate Provost, Office of Academic Affairs; Dr. Melony Shemberger, Faculty Regent; and Dr. Tim Todd, Vice President of Academic Affairs.

CALL TO ORDER: Staff Congress President Dr. David Wilson called the meeting to order.

He introduced Staff Congress officers.

Dr. Robert (Bob) Jackson, University President: Dr. Bob Jackson thanked those who assisted with planning or with moving-in students during student scheduled move-in times. The main request he received from students and families was to -in scheduling process again next year.

The start of classes is going well. He thanked employees for their hard work. He sent an email this morning to students. He has sent previous emails to them and will sent emails in the future to remind students of the Racer Restart plan procedures, including wearing a mask. He asked staff to remind students to make good choices and to use good judgement.

The Board of Regents retreat is scheduled for August 27. The Board of Regents meeting is scheduled for August 28. MSU will be reporting the number of covid-19 cases for employees and students. University employees have asked Dr. Jackson to protect their health information. The university administration is in contact with Calloway County Health Department daily.

The university administration discusses daily what improvements can be made to respond to needs as much as possible for a healthy and safe semester. An expanded area is for is being developed next to Winslow Dining Hall to allow increased spacing

Open Enrollment will be conducted through Benefit Focus. The information presentations will be given virtually. Individuals may also schedule individual consultations.

Staff Regent Report: Staff Regent Phil Schooley said the Board of Regents will hold its retreat on August 27, and will hold its quarterly meeting on August 28.

Staff Survey Review Committee: The Staff Survey Review committee will meet on September 4, to discuss the results of the Staff Survey.

Faculty Regent Report: Dr. Melony Shemberger reported that approximately 300 faculty members attended, via Zoom, the keynote presentation by Dr. Bob Jackson at the Faculty Summit. Faculty attended other sessions during the summit as well, including sessions which discussed technology.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: Dr. Jessica Evans made a motion to approve the July 2020 Meeting Minutes as pre

