

## **Call to Order**

*The meeting was called to order at 12:00pm. Present were S. Arbaugh, Dr. Striplin, A. Blackwood, M. Chambers, J. Kubeika, J. Brill, and S. Murphy. Absent were S. Van Meter, and T. Sentman. Guest present was T. Branson.*

## **Presentation/Discussion/Professional Development**

### **\*Action Items:**

- Approval of the Minutes: Meeting of March 18, 2026 – *On a Blackwood/Kubeika motion, the minutes were approved with all in favor.*
- Revisions to the FY 27 Tuition and Fees Schedule – Informational – *Reviewed by the Board of Governors.*
- Approval of the FY 27 Budget Proposal – *On a Kubeika/Brill motion, the FY 27 Budget Proposal was approved with all in favor.*
- Approval of the FY 27 Salary Increase Process – *On a Blackwood/Kubeika motion, the FY 27 Salary Increase Proposal was approved with all in favor.*
- Possible Executive Session – Presidential Evaluation and Compensation (W. VA. Code §6-9A-4) – *On a Brill/Blackwood motion, the Board of Governors entered into Executive Session at 12:30pm with all in favor and excused Dr. Striplin. On a Brill/Blackwood motion, the Board of Governors exited Executive Session at 12:36pm with no action taken and Dr. Striplin rejoined the meeting. On a Blackwood/Kubeika motion, the Board of Governors approved a FY 27 6% salary increase for Dr. Striplin, with budget amendments if necessary, with all in favor.*

## **Committee Reports**

**Board Chair**-Sheldon Arbaugh – *Thanks to T. Branson for her work on the FY 27 budget proposal.*

### **Committees-**

**Finance** – Trina Branson

## College Representatives Reports

**Staff** – Tiffany Sentman – *No report.*

**Faculty** – Shirley Murphy –

1. *The next Faculty Senate meeting is scheduled for Friday April 24, 2026.*
2. *The Faculty Senate selected Allison Riggleman (Fall 2025) and Sara Purol (Spring 2026) as the winners of the Adjunct Faculty award to be presented at commencement in May 2026.*
3. *Dominic Phillips continues to actively lead Faculty in training and continues to provide Faculty Development training pertaining to assessment processes. Faculty are working with Dominic Phillips to improve assessment processes for various courses.*
4. *Faculty will continue to be encouraged by the Faculty Senate Chair to offer bonus points to students for attendance in the variety of 1-hour learning opportunities offered by Dixie Heavener. Posting this information to the Brightspace Announcement Board is a wonderful way for Faculty to make students aware of the opportunity. So far, this approach has been successful in various business and accounting courses offered this Spring 2026 semester for the Business Department. Multiple students have attended these training sessions made possible by Dixie Heavener.*
5. *Nikki Chandler continues to lead Faculty in the Faculty Circle and the Teaching and Learning Committee for Spring 2026.*
6. *C. Hakala will provide a discussion/training on Creating Rubrics using AI in April 2026. D. Phillips will conduct a training/faculty development session in the near future on Timing.*
7. *Faculty Senate selected Nikki Chandler as the Faculty member who will carry the Mace at this year's graduation ceremony.*

**Student-** Vacant

## Dr. Thomas Striplin, President

- *Three-year energy usage comparison – Reviewed with the Board of Governors.*
- *HLC Monitoring Report due in July.*
- *Preparing update to Strategic Plan.*

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- *Working on grants, program updates, and new programs (Heavy Equipment should launch this fall).*
- *Congressionally-directed spending grant submitted for HVAC/plumbing.*
- *Pressure to offer programs where students can get jobs.*
- *7 of 7 students in LPN to RN Bridge program passed their Board exams.*

Important Calendar Dates

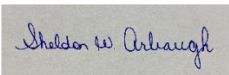
- Wednesday, April 15, 2026 at 12:00 noon – Lunch and Learn (Updates from Chancellor Tucker)
- Friday, May 8, 2026 at 7:00pm Nurse Pinning Ceremony at Moorefield High School
- Saturday, May 9, 2026 at 10:00am – Commencement at Moorefield High School
- October 13 – 14, 2026 – ACCT Governance Leadership Summit at Stonewall Resort
- September 29 – 30, 2027 – BOG Summit in Charleston, WV

New Business/Miscellaneous

Next Scheduled Meeting: May 20, 2026 at 12:00 noon

*Adjournment – On a Blackwood/Chambers motion, the meeting was adjourned at 1:05pm with all in favor.*

*Respectfully submitted by M. O’Leary, recorder.*



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Sheldon Arbaugh, Chair

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Date