

MINUTES OF THE MEETING
OF THE
MICHIGAN STATE UNIVERSITY
BOARD OF TRUSTEES

June 23, 2000

The Trustee Finance Committee and Trustee Policy Committee meetings were held in the Board Room of the Administration Building beginning at 9:00 a.m. on Friday, June 23, 2000. Minutes of the meetings are on file in the Office of the Secretary of the Board of Trustees.

President McPherson called the meeting of the Board of Trustees to order at 11:03 a.m. in the Board Room.

Trustees present: Dolores M. Cook, Joel I. Ferguson, Dorothy V. Gonzales, Colleen M. McNamara, Donald W. Nugent, David L. Porteous, Bob Traxler, and Robert E. Weiss.

University officers present: President McPherson, Provost Simon, Vice President Poston, Secretary Pogel, Vice President and General Counsel Noto, Vice Presidents Denbow, Greenleaf, Huggett, June, Webb, Webster, and Senior Advisor and Director Granberry Russell. Faculty Liaisons present: Norman Abeles, Joanne Keith, and Sridhar Mahadevan. Student Liaisons present: Vikram Ghorpade, Charles McHugh, and Kendall Sykes.

All actions taken were by unanimous vote of the Trustees present, unless otherwise noted.

1. On a motion by Mr. Nugent, supported by Ms. McNamara, **THE BOARD VOTED to approve** the amended agenda. The agenda was amended in the Finance Committee to delete Item 1.J – Sale of Vacant Land at Troy Management Center. The Policy Committee amended its agenda to correctly identify item 2.B “Awards Hall” as the name of the building at Brook Lodge to be re-named.
2. On a motion by Ms. McNamara, supported by Mr. Nugent, **THE BOARD VOTED to approve** the minutes of April 28, 2000.
3. President's Report
 - A. President McPherson reported that the Mary Anne McPhail Equine Performance Center was opened on June 7, 2000. He said that it is a wonderful, state-of-the-art facility and one of a few of its kind in the world. It reflects the strong equine commitment of this University.
 - B. President McPherson said that Dr. Bruce Magid has arrived as Director of MSU's Virtual University initiative, and MSU Global. Dr. Magid

came to MSU from California where he was the chief economist for international operations at the Bank of America. Mr. McPherson said that Dr. Magid is a very effective businessperson with a strong academic background. Dr. Magid has a Ph.D. in economics. As director of the Virtual University, he will work closely with Dr. Paul Hunt and Dr. Bob Church.

- C. President McPherson noted that the College of Education had received, in collaboration with Michigan middle schools, an \$8.2 million grant to expand the KCLICK! after-school computer program. The College of Education also received a \$1.4 million grant from the federal government to develop technology to support effective and innovative teaching.

4. Guiding Principles Report

Vice President Greenleaf reported that MSU's Study Abroad program had recently received an award from the American Council on Education for achievement in Academic Excellence and Cost Management. Of the 120 submissions from around the country, MSU was one of only six recipients. He said that this award fits in with the Active Learning Guiding Principle, as well as the globalization element of the MSU Promise. He said that the Study Abroad program has doubled in size over the last five years to the point that 22% of undergraduate students participate. Cost consciousness in the program has been maintained. Mr. Greenleaf said that the award is a credit to faculty members, college deans, and to International Studies and Programs. Vice President Greenleaf said it is a great honor for the University.

5. Public Participation on Items Germane to the Agenda

There were no requests to address the Board of Trustees on issues germane to the agenda.

6. Personnel Actions

Provost Simon presented the following personnel actions:

A. Appointments

- 1) Lang, Gregory A., AN-Professor, Department of Horticulture, \$80,000, with Tenure, effective July 10, 2000.
- 2) Hopfensperger, James A., AN-Professor, Department of Art, \$95,000, with Tenure, effective July 1, 2000.
- 3) Delaney, John T., AN-Professor, MBA Program; Department of Management, \$140,000, with Tenure, effective July 1, 2000.
- 4) Shaver, Mary Alice, AN-Professor, Department of Advertising, \$100,000, with Tenure, effective July 15, 2000.

- 5) Kosciulek, John F., AY-Associate Professor, Department of Counseling, Educational Psychology and Special Education, \$57,000, with Tenure, effective August 16, 2000.
- 6) Clayton, Hilary, AN-Mary Anne McPhail Dressage Sports Medicine Professor, Department of Large Animal Clinical Sciences, \$104,179, with Tenure, effective June 1, 2000.

B. Other Personnel Actions

- 1) Wright, Jacqueline, AY-Associate Professor, College of Nursing, to add title of Secretary for Academic Governance, Office of Secretary for Academic Governance and for a change in salary rate to \$67,857, effective August 16, 2000.
- 2) It is recommended that an Executive Management position titled Assistant Chief, Police and Public Safety, be established effective July 1, 2000.

Further, it is recommended that appointment approval and approval for all other personnel actions related to this position be delegated to the Vice President for Finance and Operations and Treasurer.

On a motion by Mr. Traxler, supported by Ms. McNamara, **THE BOARD VOTED to approve** the recommendations.

C. Information Reports

Information Reports of Academic Personnel Actions of May 4, 2000 and June 6, 2000 were distributed with the Board agenda. The reports are included with the agenda materials in the Office of the Secretary of the Board of Trustees.

7. Gift, Grant and Contract Report

Vice President Huggett presented the Gift, Grant and Contract Report for the period of April 6, 2000 through June 8, 2000. The report is a compilation of 288 Gifts, Grants and Contracts, 54 Consignment/Non-Cash Gifts, and three Consignment/Non-Cash Loans with a total value of \$71,506,782.32. The Gift, Grant and Contract Report is included with the agenda materials in the Office of the Secretary of the Board of Trustees.

On a motion by Mr. Nugent, supported by Ms. Gonzales, **THE BOARD VOTED to approve** the Gift, Grant and Contract Report.

8. The Trustee Finance Committee report and recommendations were presented by Committee Chairperson Nugent.

A. Bids and Contract Awards

- 1) It was recommended to award a contract in the amount of \$149,760 to Mihm Enterprises, Inc., of Hamilton, Michigan, and that a budget in the amount of \$223,000 be established for the project entitled: Anthony Hall – Install Ice Shield and Replace Deteriorating Simulated Slate Roofing.
- 2) It was recommended to award a contract in the amount of \$349,699 to Granger Construction Company, of Lansing, Michigan, and that a budget in the amount of \$485,000 be established for the project entitled: Campus Steam Vaults – 129, 130, and 131.
- 3) It was recommended to award a contract in the amount of \$198,400 to Royal Roofing Company, Inc., of Orion, Michigan, and that a budget in the amount of \$290,000 be established for the project entitled: Spartan Village – Repair Roof.
- 4) It was recommended to award a contract in the amount of \$395,000 to Baruzzini Construction Co., of Brighton, Michigan, and that a budget in the amount of \$500,000 be established for the project entitled: University Village Apartments – Repair Decks.
- 5) It was recommended to award a contract in the amount of \$358,400 to Dart Construction, of Haslett, Michigan, and that a budget in the amount of \$438,000 be established for the project entitled: Holmes Hall – Revise Fume Hood Exhaust System for Rooms C3-C6 and C14.
- 6) It was recommended to award a contract in the amount of \$328,000 to J. Perez Construction, Inc., of Flint, Michigan, and that a budget in the amount of \$421,000 be established for the project entitled: Human Ecology – Alterations to Rooms 9, 9A, 10, 11, 12, 13 and Suite 14.
- 7) It was recommended to award a contract in the amount of \$98,400 to Kares Construction Co., Inc., of Lansing, Michigan, and that a budget in the amount of \$140,000 be established for the project entitled: Research Complex Engineering – Alterations to Rooms C10, C10A, and C10B.
- 8) It was recommended to award a contract in the amount of \$113,500 to Tom's Advanced Paving Co., of Lansing, Michigan, and that a budget in the amount of \$200,000 be

established for the project entitled: Commuter Parking Lot 83 Expansion.

- 9) It was recommended to award a contract in the amount of \$711,000 to Tom's Advanced Paving Co., of Lansing, Michigan, and that a budget in the amount of \$980,000 be established for the project entitled: Shaw Lane/Bogue Street Intersection Reconstruction.
- 10) It was recommended to award a contract in the amount of \$542,000 to Sandborn Construction, Inc., of Portland, Michigan, and that a budget in the amount of \$885,000 be established for the project entitled: Shaw Lane/Chestnut Road Intersection Reconstruction.
- 11) It was recommended to award a contract in the amount of \$561,710 to Cadwell Brothers Construction Co., of Lansing, Michigan, and that a budget in the amount of \$950,000 be established for the project entitled: Shaw Lane/Red Cedar Road Intersection Reconstruction.

On a motion by Mr. Nugent, supported by Mr. Ferguson, **THE BOARD VOTED to approve** the Bids and Contract Awards. All Bids were the low bid, and all bidders are qualified, Mr. Nugent noted.

B. Architect/Engineer Selections

- 1) It was recommended to appoint Integrated Design Solutions, LLC, of Troy, Michigan, as the architect/engineer for the project entitled: Jack Breslin Student Events Center – Alfred Berkowitz Basketball Complex.
- 2) It was recommended to appoint Rossetti Architects of Birmingham, Michigan, as the architect/engineer for the project entitled: Jenison Field House Renovation.
- 3) It was recommended to appoint SmithGroup Incorporated, of Detroit, Michigan, as the architect/engineer for the project entitled: Shaw Hall – Building Renovations.
- 4) It was recommended to appoint Tower Pinkster Titus Associates, Inc., of Grand Rapids, Michigan, as the architect/engineer for the project entitled: Spartan Child Development Center.
- 5) It was recommended to appoint Walker Parking Consultants of Kalamazoo, Michigan, as the architect/engineer for the project entitled: Spartan Stadium – Column Repairs 2001.

- 6) It was recommended to appoint VEC Engineering of St. Johns, Michigan, as the architect/engineer for the project entitled: Spartan Stadium – South Concourse – Restoration 2001.

On a motion by Mr. Nugent, supported by Ms. Gonzales, **THE BOARD VOTED to approve** the architect/engineer selections.

C. Funds Functioning as Endowment:

- 1) It was recommended to establish the Kresge Art Museum Facilities Fund as a fund functioning as an endowment.
- 2) It was recommended to establish the Great Lakes Traditions as a fund functioning as an endowment.
- 3) It was recommended to establish the Thomas Rowe Ford Memorial as a fund functioning as an endowment.

On a motion by Mr. Nugent, supported by Ms. Gonzales, **THE BOARD VOTED to approve** the funds functioning as endowments.

- D. It was recommended that the Board approve the extension of Trowbridge Road from Harrison Road to Red Cedar Road and construction and operation of an information center on the extended road, generally as described in the HNTB Michigan, Inc., feasibility study of such extension, and that the Board authorize the administration to take all actions it deems necessary or desirable to accomplish such extension, including, without limitation, execution of a contract with the Michigan Department of Transportation (MDOT) and related documents and prepare a landscaping plan, separate from the bid, to be implemented with this project by Campus Park and Planning and to include a review by the Trustee Finance Committee.

On a motion by Mr. Nugent, supported by Mr. Traxler, **THE BOARD VOTED to approve** the recommendation.

Vice President Poston and Director Kacos gave a brief presentation to members of the Finance Committee describing the proposed extension. Dr. Poston said that Trowbridge Road would be extended, with appropriate traffic signals, from Harrison Road to Farm Lane because areas beyond Farm Lane have already been developed. He said that this project would allow a new entrance to campus, and noted that an information center would be placed at the new entrance. The center would be a starting-point for visitors coming to MSU. He pointed out that Stadium Road would be removed. Many open spaces, Dr. Poston said, would be preserved as recreation areas. Grassy areas would still be usable for parking areas on football Saturdays.

Director Kacos said that fences would be installed along railroad tracks, and that the only way to cross the tracks would be to take the pedestrian underpass when it is installed.

Expansion of a student study area on south campus is also being discussed as the Trowbridge Road extension goes forth. Trustee Porteous mentioned that this project would not be possible without funds received from the Federal government.

Trustee Weiss asked Director Kacos if this project includes landscaping for the area. Mr. Kacos said that MSU staff would handle landscaping.

Trustee Weiss asked that the resolution be amended to include language that ensures appropriate landscaping will be done by Campus Parks and Planning in conjunction with the project. President McPherson said that a presentation would be made to the Board regarding the landscaping that would be done along Trowbridge Road and at the campus entrance. The Weiss amendment was approved by the Finance Committee.

Trustee Traxler suggested that a sculpture be placed at the campus entrance. He asked that the Committee on Public Art explore possibilities for the financing of art as a symbol of the University. Mr. Porteous agreed that art would be an important part of the landscaping of the extension. President McPherson said that Mr. Traxler's suggestions regarding public art could be incorporated into the landscaping plan in Mr. Weiss' amendment.

Trustee McNamara asked about the estimated amount of traffic that the extension will support. Director Kacos said that because Trowbridge Road will not cross campus completely, and because of several traffic lights along the new road, traffic will not be substantial. He did estimate, however, that the extension would help alleviate high traffic along Wilson Road and Shaw Lane.

- E. It was recommended that the Board adopt the Resolution approving a Construction and Completion Assurance Agreement, a Conveyance of Property, a Lease and an Easement Agreement, if necessary, for the Michigan State University Bio-Physical Sciences Building, and authorization of named officers of Michigan State University to execute documents and to take actions necessary or desirable to accomplish the financing, construction and equipping of the Bio-Physical Sciences Building.

On a motion by Mr. Ferguson, supported by Mr. Nugent, **THE BOARD VOTED to approve** the recommendation.

- F. It was recommended that the Board allow the State of Michigan to construct an Animal Health Diagnostic Laboratory (AHDL) on property

located south of Forest Road and west of Beaumont Road, based on the State's commitment that, after construction of the AHDL, the University will own and/or operate it; *provided* that such approval shall be subject to agreement on documentation and project planning as deemed necessary by the administration and legal counsel.

On a motion by Mr. Nugent, supported by Ms. Cook, **THE BOARD VOTED to approve** the recommendation. Trustee Weiss abstained, stating that he is not convinced that this project is in the best interest of the University. He said that in spite of lengthy information that he received from administration, he still did not have enough details on the project to vote Yes or No.

- G. It was recommended that the Board authorize the Vice President for Finance and Operations to execute a lease agreement with Mid-Michigan MRI, Inc., for space in the Clinical Center building to be used by Mid-Michigan MRI to install and operate a computed tomography (CT) scanner pursuant to its current State of Michigan Certificate of Need.

On a motion by Mr. Nugent, supported by Mr. Ferguson, **THE BOARD VOTED to approve** the recommendation.

- H. It was recommended that the Board adopt the interim budget that will permit the operation of the University at 1999-2000 budget expenditure levels until the 2000-2001 budget is established.

This expenditure authorization will be as follows:

University General Fund	\$586,783,350
Michigan Agricultural Experiment Station	40,528,671
Michigan State University Extension	42,942,661
Intercollegiate Athletics Program	24,019,560

On a motion by Mr. Nugent, supported by Mr. Porteous, **THE BOARD VOTED to approve** the interim budget.

- I. It was recommended that the Board adopt the Guidelines for the development of the 2000-2001 budgets, which included the 2000-2001 tuition and fee rates.

Trustee Ferguson asked that the comments of the Finance Committee be included in the minutes of the regular action meeting. Those comments appear below. There was no additional discussion on the Budget Guidelines at the full Board meeting.

Trustee Nugent asked President McPherson to present the administration's recommendation for the 2000-2001 Budget Guidelines.

President McPherson said that a tuition increase of 3.5% has been proposed for 2000-2001. He noted that the State of Michigan had raised a tuition increase cap from 3% to 4% to account for a rise in inflation.

Mr. McPherson said that the appropriation approved by the conference committee and likely to be approved by the Governor means substantial progress. However, the appropriation gap, Mr. McPherson said, remains large in tier one – the research institutions. The President said that the Guidelines also propose a continuation of the Tuition Guarantee subject to substantial progress in closing the gap among tier one schools. The administration further proposes a faculty salary increase of 5%, which is approximately the same increase as the previous two years. He said that there has been an enormous effort by administration and the Board to deal with faculty salaries. It is important, he commented, that the 5% increase be implemented. This is part of a long-term commitment on the part of the Board and administration to make progress on faculty salaries.

Graduate students and the Graduate School, President McPherson said, have requested a change in the tuition waiver from six credits to nine credits, as well as increasing by 3% the stipend that certain graduate students receive. Mr. McPherson said that this has been included in the Guidelines and is consistent with common practices at peer schools.

Trustee Weiss asked Director of Planning and Budgets David Byelich if it is correct that under the upcoming appropriation, MSU would receive from the state \$8100 per student. Director Byelich said yes. Under the tier system for last year, Mr. Weiss said, MSU would have received \$9000 per student. Director Byelich explained to Mr. Weiss that MSU has approximately 43,000 students. There are approximately 37,000 full-time students. Mr. Byelich said that in order for MSU to have an appropriation of \$9000 per student, a 12-13% increase from the State would be required—approximately \$40 million. Mr. Weiss asked if that meant that MSU is \$40 million short of where the legislature said MSU should be one year ago. Mr. Byelich responded yes.

Trustee Weiss inquired of Mr. Byelich what the per-student appropriation is for Wayne State and the University of Michigan. Director Byelich responded that the University of Michigan receives \$9500 per student and that Wayne State receives \$11,200 per student, compared to \$8000 per student at MSU. Mr. Weiss asked how much help from the State of Michigan a student at the University of Michigan would receive. Mr. Byelich said that the gap between funding for MSU and U of M is \$62 million.

Mr. Weiss asked what attempts were made last year to close the gap between tier-one research institutions. Vice President Webster said that last year the gap between universities was narrowed by \$15 per

student. Trustee Weiss explained that in the new budget, the gap has again increased because of the across-the-board percentage increase.

Vice President Webster explained that a student who majored in the same area of study at any of the three tier-one schools could receive in support from the State \$8000, \$9500, or \$11,200.

Trustee Weiss thanked Governor Engler and all legislators, republican or democrat, who support the tier concept. He said that the appropriation from the State was not fair to MSU. He also said that funding of the tier concept is right. To have one individual thwart the desire of the majority of the people is absolutely incredible, he said. Mr. Weiss noted, however, that the difference in appropriations among tier one schools this year is not fair to the tax payers of this State--to the students and families. For that reason, Mr. Weiss said, he would vote for the 3.5% tuition increase. He said that this increase bends the Tuition Guarantee, but that it must be done in order to maintain the quality and course of excellence that MSU is currently on. Mr. Weiss added that the burden is being shifted onto the backs of the students and families because of one person. He said that that one person should not be welcome on MSU's campus.

Trustee Nugent pointed out that the recommendation is a 3.5% tuition increase, but there is also a 3.5% increase in financial aid for students to alleviate the burden on families in need.

President McPherson said that the pattern over the years has been to increase financial aid at the same rate as tuition increases. He added that the legislature should be complimented for the fact that it has affirmed the tier system that Governor Engler proposed two years ago. Mr. McPherson said that with the exception of the tier-one schools, the issue is being addressed. He said that we need to build on that to make more progress in MSU's tier.

President McPherson commented that the 3.5% increase, given the 4.1% Consumer Price Index in the year 2000, is a sound number for inflation as MSU looks forward.

Trustee Porteous said that the Board has been a very good steward of tax dollars from the State and tuition dollars from students. Mr. Porteous noted that a 3.5% tuition increase may be low when it comes to inflation. A 3.5% increase, he said, is a reaffirmation of the strong fiduciary responsibility that MSU feels to the citizens of the State.

Mr. Porteous said that he shares the disappointment that Trustee Weiss expressed. He said that he is very grateful for the strong leadership that MSU had in the legislature for the increase, as well as critical support for the tier concept. Trustee Porteous said he hopes

that the Governor will sign the legislation, as well as supplemental legislation so that MSU can move forward.

President McPherson explained that there is a supplemental, one-time appropriation that is slightly higher than it has been in the past. The 3.0% supplemental increase, he said, means \$9 million for MSU. He hoped Governor Engler would sign the supplemental increase.

Trustee Nugent thanked those in the legislature, as well as Governor Engler for supporting MSU. He commended the administration and President McPherson and Vice President Webster in particular, for getting the MSU story out to the public.

Trustee Weiss said that a 3.5% increase is a reasonable and justifiable amount. He said that he might not have supported a 3.5% increase if the legislature had passed an appropriation more supportive of the tier system.

President McPherson said that each year the administration tries to predict the rate of inflation, and has been unusually successful at doing so. He said that administration probably projected a little low last year.

Trustee Ferguson said that Trustee Weiss has been a champion of the working people, and that he agrees with what Mr. Weiss has said. He said, however, that he does not think that any senator should be uninvited from MSU's campus. He said that Senator Schwarz is very effective and that he should still be welcome on campus. Mr. Ferguson hopes that the more Senator Schwarz is around MSU, the more we can win him over. He said that the Senator is an effective advocate for what he believes and maybe someday he will advocate for MSU.

On a motion by Mr. Nugent, supported by Mr. Ferguson, **THE BOARD VOTED to approve** the Budget Guidelines.

- J. It was recommended that the Board approve the investment of \$5.0 million in TA Associates IX LLC.

On a motion by Mr. Nugent, supported by Mr. Ferguson, **THE BOARD VOTED to approve** the investment.

- 9. The Trustee Policy Committee report and recommendations were presented by Committee Chairperson McNamara.
 - A. It was recommended that the Board of Trustees approve the renaming of the current "Awards Hall" at the Brook Lodge Conference Center to the "W. E. Upjohn Hall" in recognition of the historical connection of Brook Lodge to W. E. Upjohn.

On a motion by Ms. McNamara, supported by Mr. Porteous, **THE BOARD VOTED to approve** the recommendation.

- B. It was recommended that the Board of Trustees, at its next meeting, delegate to the President the authority to enter into an agreement with Applied Computations Design, Associates, Inc. In matters of de minimus conflicts of interest, the Board of Trustees reviews the recommendations, and votes on them at the following Board action meeting.

10. Chairperson's Report and Trustees' Comments

A. Chairperson's Report

- 1) Mr. Traxler said that, while walking the previous evening, he had been quite impressed with the beauty of the campus. He said that those who are responsible for its appearance are to be congratulated. Trustee Traxler noted that the faculty should be pleased with efforts to achieve a higher funding allocation from the State of Michigan. He thanked President McPherson, the staff, legislative representatives, and Governor Engler. Trustee Traxler also thanked Trustee Porteous for his input and interest in MSU's budget and in the legislature.

B. Trustees' Comments

- 1) Trustee Gonzales expressed concern for low-income families. She said that she was willing to support the 3.5% increase because Trustee Nugent reminded her that financial aid packages would also increase by 3.5%. She emphasized that more needs to be done to improve MSU's allocation and close the funding gap.
- 2) Trustee Weiss said that he has been fighting the funding gap for 13 years. The results are frustrating, he noted. MSU's funding took a step forward last year, only to have the door slammed on it this year. He said that it is a disappointing situation. Mr. Weiss commented that he appreciates the efforts of President McPherson, the Board, the administration, and Vice President Webster and his staff. He said that the middle class suffers the most as they work hard every day but their wages do not increase. Working families are forced to pick up the slack because MSU is treated unfairly.

Mr. Weiss said that his thoughts and prayers are with the Shingleton family. He wished Trustee Emeritus Jack Shingleton a speedy recovery following surgery.

- 3) Trustee Cook echoed her colleagues' disappointment because of the appropriation for tier one universities. She said that MSU should try to help students avoid graduating with debt.

Trustee Cook thanked the Trustee Finance Committee and Trustee Nugent for their leadership. She noted the enormous amount of time and effort that goes into the Committee's work. The University, she said, is blessed to have excellent financial minds working on the University's finances. Ms. Cook wished everyone a wonderful summer.

- 4) Mr. Porteous noted that many people approach him about the wonderful work of the University. Recently a parent came up to him to say that Michigan State was the first school to contact her son, who is an excellent student. Mr. Porteous noted that he could go to any university in the country, but is thinking seriously about MSU because of the very positive impression that MSU made upon him. He said that it was good to hear positive comments about academic recruiting, as well as athletic recruiting.

Trustee Porteous commented that, the night prior, he visited his son at MSU's Academic Orientation Program. He said that the program's resident assistants are clearly very happy, excited, positive students. It's a great opening, he said, to have such optimistic people welcoming new students to MSU. He congratulated Provost Simon for the program's success.

Trustee Porteous congratulated and thanked President McPherson, and Vice President Webster and his staff for their work on the state appropriation. He said that people in state agencies are very appreciative of the advocacy for Michigan State, and for the message and mission behind the advocacy. The number of Michigan students at MSU, as well as cost-containment measures undertaken by the administration, Mr. Porteous said, make people excited about this University. He noted that the funding gap between MSU and other schools in the state is unfortunate, but we should not lose sight of the funding that MSU does receive.

- 5) Trustee Ferguson wished everyone a nice summer.
- 6) Trustee Nugent said that a 5.7% increase in State funding is significant, and that should not be forgotten. He thanked everyone who worked to increase funding for MSU. Mr. Nugent said he hopes for a more significant increase next year.

Mr. Nugent noted how attractive and advanced the new Mary Anne McPhail Equine Performance Center is. He said that the facility will be a real asset to Michigan State.

Trustee Nugent reported that for the past year and a half, he has served as a member of the MSU Foundation Board. He said that there are some very dedicated alumni on the Board, and noted that the Foundation's endowment is doing very well. Mr. Nugent acknowledged the strong commitment of time and effort by members of the Foundation Board.

- 7) Trustee McNamara thanked everyone who worked so hard on MSU's appropriation. She also noted that she had requested that cable television be made available for cancer patients who spend hours in the Clinical Center receiving chemotherapy treatment. She thanked Vice Provost Hunt for his help in arranging this.

11. Public Participation on Issues Not Germane to the Agenda

There were no requests to address the Board of Trustees on issues not germane to the agenda.

12. An Executive Session was not requested.

13. On a motion by Mr. Ferguson, supported by Ms. Gonzales, the Board voted to adjourn at 12:01 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Nancy H. Pogel, Ph.D.
Secretary of the Board of Trustees