

PRESIDENT'S REPORT

April 12, 2007

Capital Projects

- **Center for Contemporary Arts (Phase I):** Reconfiguration of utility service is complete. The entrance area is roughed in off Shepherd Grade. Part of the stone wall has been removed at the access site. The wall will be replaced and blended in with the access road dimensions as the project nears completion. Foundation work and ground floor slab preparation continues. Underground rough-ins are nearly complete and the lower level wall has been poured. Forms removed and back fill placed.
- **McMurrin Hall:** Repair and painting is complete except for the installation of gutters and down spouts and some minor touch up paint work. Some work remains to be done on the stone steps and wall areas along German and King Streets.
- **Reynolds Hall:** Work continues. The new foundation is in place and the wall is being reconstructed. The final result will look like it did prior to the beginning of repair activity, minus the bulging wall and safety concerns. Work should be completed by the end of May of 2007 and to date is on schedule.
- **East Campus Academic Building:** Work continues on mechanical systems and interior finishes. The project is estimated at 75 percent complete and is on schedule for mid June completion. The front entrance is under development including the relocation of the time capsule.
- **Wellness Center:** The project is in the construction document stage at this time. Construction could begin as soon as late summer.
- **Miscellaneous:** Grass is growing on the two new intramural fields on West Campus; however, the sod will not be usable for play until the fall, 2007.

Association of Governing Boards In-Service Pamphlets

- ***A Guide to Conflict of Interest and Disclosure:*** Board members can sometimes be in a conflict of interest situation without even realizing it, and this is not in their best interest nor is it in the best interest of the University. This pamphlet defines conflict of interest and discusses matters such as the *appearance* of a conflict, even when one does not exist. Helpful guidelines are presented, and a sample conflict of interest policy is presented.

Advancement Office

- **Shepherd University Philanthropy Report for FY'07:** YTD February 28, 2007 – \$1,674,457 raised from 3,688 donors.

- **Comprehensive Campaign Report:** Cumulative through January 31, 2007 - \$1,909,181
- **Recent Events:** Florida East Coast Alumni Receptions – March 14 -17

Higher Education Policy Commission/Chancellor/Legislature

- **Next Meeting:** The next meeting of the HEPC is scheduled for April 26, and permission to continue with bonding for the Wellness Center is on the agenda.

Academic Affairs

- **New Programs:** Two new masters programs that this board previously approved, Liberal Studies and Public History, have been submitted to the Chancellor's Office. We anticipate an approval at a future meeting of the HEPC.
- **New Dean:** Dr. Bob Warburton was recently appointed as the new Assistant Dean of Teaching, Learning and Instructional Resources with an emphasis on academic advisement as his responsibility.

Student Affairs

- **Relay for Life:** Relay for Life will be taking place tomorrow, April 13, 2007. We currently have 54 teams signed up to participate, and the campus is looking to raise \$50,000 to fight cancer. Last year our students raised over \$40,000, far surpassing WVU and Marshall.

Administration and Finance

- **State Appropriation:** Our FY2008 state appropriation will increase 3.62 percent, from \$10,335,074 to \$10,708,896.

Upcoming Events

- **April 13**—Relay for Life on the Midway beginning at 4 p.m. and continuing all night
- **April 21**--Spring Football Scrimmage/Picnic Hosted by Ram Gridiron Club - Noon
- **April 27**--Scarborough Society Trip to National Portrait Gallery (all day)
- **May 2**--Scarborough Society Annual Meeting & McMurrin Scholars Convocation
- **May 19**--134th Commencement in the Butcher Center at 1:50 p.m.

For details and other events, check our home page calendar
<http://www.shepherd.edu/planweb/events/apr07.html>