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THE UNIVERSITY HAS HIGH ENROLLMENT, STRONG FINANCES AND ABLE STUDENTS

The University of Findlay board of trustees reviewed the following information at its meeting on Feb. 7 and 8. Twenty-four regular trustees and three special trustees attended the meeting.

The University has enrollment of over 4,000 students and expects to balance its budget at the end of the fiscal year. Net assets are projected to increase \$7 million. Academically talented students are being attracted to the University.

Emphasis of the University will continue to be on further strengthening academic programs, improving facilities

and services for students and faculty, and continuing to improve finances.

Twenty-eight new full-time faculty members have been added in the last four years, and six net additions are planned for next year. The academic ability of each recent entering freshman class has been higher than that of preceding classes.

New academic majors which have been added include pharmacy, now in its fourth year; forensic science, and animal science. Programs in the allied health sciences and in animal sciences have high enrollment and have been expanded.

Renovation and construction planned for the summer of 2008 will include over \$2 million of improvements in student housing and other renovations and construction.

“We had a good meeting,” Board Chairman Dr. C. Richard Beckett said. “Trustees are pleased with the exceptional progress of the University. We are expanding teaching capabilities and academic facilities substantially, systematically strengthening programs of the University, improving finances, and making the already-beautiful campus more attractive.”

125TH ENDOWED FUNDS DRIVE PUBLICLY LAUNCHED

The University of Findlay has publicly announced a 125th Endowed Funds Drive that began during UF's 125th anniversary year in 2007, and named the members of the national steering committee.

The University's 125th Endowed Funds Drive — an initiative to create 125 new endowed funds in support of student scholarships, faculty development and program support — was publicly launched Feb. 7, 2008, at the University.

To date, 44 new endowed funds have been created with a value in excess of \$2.5 million.

Dr. C. Richard Beckett, board chairman, offered a brief history of the University and its continued contributions to the community. He noted that

“the leadership Dr. Freed has provided is second to none.”

Also during the event, a national steering committee was introduced, with a volunteer leader to help guide the drive for each college and emphasis area.

Members of the committee include:

- A.R. '66 and Mary Ann Charnes, McCormick, S.C., national co-chairs
- Dr. Robert Frampton, Findlay, College of Health Professions
- Barbara Meyers '63, Findlay, College of Education
- Larry McDougle '63, Napoleon, Ohio, College of Sciences
- Tony Pitts '85, Columbus, Ohio, Athletics
- Dallas Sterling, Findlay, School of

Pharmacy

- Jim '63 and Karis Woodward, Findlay, College of Liberal Arts
- Denny Zahler '70, Ft. Mitchell, Ky., College of Business



A.R. Charnes '66, national committee co-chair, addresses the audience. His wife, Mary Ann, also is a national co-chair.

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A.R. Charnes spoke on behalf of himself and his wife, who was unable to attend. "As everyone knows, Mary Ann and I have strong feelings for The University of Findlay. We met here, Mary Ann attended classes through the years and worked at the University, and one of our daughters is a successful

graduate ... There is no doubt The University of Findlay is intricately woven into the fabric of our lives."

Following Charnes' address, Larry Miles, who was the chairman of the Mazza building campaign in 2007, spoke to the audience. "The University shares and support the arts with our community," he said, noting the Mazza

Museum, Concert and Lecture Series, art shows and many more items of interest to both the University and the community.

The evening concluded with an impressive performance by the UF Symphonic Band, conducted by Jack Taylor, UF director of bands.

Dr. C. Richard Beckett talks about the University's history and how it relates to the community.



Emily Brungard plays with the UF Symphonic Band during the Feb. 7 event.



PANEL DISCUSSION WITH U.S. ARMY OFFICERS FEB. 27

The University of Findlay will host a panel discussion with members of the U.S. Army at 8:30 p.m. Wednesday, Feb. 27, in the Alumni Memorial Union.

Approximately 10 U.S. Army officers, most of whom have served overseas in Iraq, Afghanistan and Korea, will participate on the panel to answer

questions and comments from the audience. UF students, faculty and staff, as well as community members are welcome to attend the discussion.

Each member of the panel will speak on his or her reason for choosing to serve our country and will share his or her experiences. They also will dis-

cuss misconceptions about the military.

Individuals who wish to ask a question or offer a comment will be given an opportunity through a moderator.

For additional information, contact the Office of Student Activities at 419-434-4606.

UF FACULTY MEMBERS GRANTED TENURE, PROMOTED

The following faculty members were awarded tenure in 2008:

Deborah George, physical therapy; B.S., Cleveland State University; M.S., The Ohio State University; Ph.D., Bowling Green State University

Cynthia Goodwin, occupational therapy; B.S., Eastern Michigan University; M.S., Eastern Michigan University; O.T.D., Chatham University

Rosalie King, occupational therapy; B.S., The Ohio State University; M.A., The University of Findlay; D.H.Sc., (in progress) Univ. Indianapolis

Kathy Mason, history; B.A., Miami University; M.A., The Ohio State University; Ph.D., Miami University

Farabee McCarthy, animal science;

B.S., The Ohio State University; Ph.D., Michigan State University

Julie McIntosh, education; B.A., The University of Findlay; M.Ed., Bowling Green State University; Ed.D., Bowling Green State University

Richard States, nuclear medicine; B.S., Edinboro University; NMI-C, The University of Findlay; M.B.A., Wayland Baptist University; D.H.Sc., (in progress) Nova Southeastern

Julie Toney, physical therapy; B.S., University of Toledo; M.P.H., UT/MCO/BGSU consortium; Ph.D., Capella University

Ron Tulley, English; B.A., University of Illinois at Chicago; B.A., Southern Illinois University; M.S.Ed.,

Southern Illinois University; M.A., Bowling Green State University; M.B.A., The University of Findlay; Ph.D., (in progress) Case Western Reserve

The following faculty members were promoted:

Cynthia Goodwin, occupational therapy, assistant to associate professor

Michael Homsher, environmental, safety and health management, associate to full professor

Judith Lanzendorfer, English, assistant to associate professor

Julie McIntosh, education, assistant to associate professor

Mark Poyelle, history, associate to full professor

STUDENTS SHOW SUPPORT ON VALENTINE'S DAY



(Above, left) Members of the Academy of Student Pharmacists promote their organization with candy. Pictured are Stephanie Walchli, Abigail Sprage, Raquel Morales, Shane Henry, Charles Wedock and Hamid Sheikhi.

(Above) Students Kate DeGolier, Dane Ditto, Derin Tolu, Holly Butler and Shannon Scott use "V-Day" to create awareness of violence against women. The group is working toward new educational, protective and legislative endeavors worldwide.

(Left) A group of students shows off Valentine's Day cards they created during a party and food drive. Forty-six cards were given to Fox Run Manor residents, 288 food items were donated to Chopin Hall and \$74.14 and nine paper products were donated to the Findlay City Mission. Pictured are Kushagraram Solanki, Megha Patel, Sameep Dholabhai, Dhruti Jain and Nirab Patel.

SIFE TEAM EARNS AIG GRANT

The University of Findlay's SIFE team (Students in Free Enterprise) was recently awarded a three-year \$2,500 AIG Credit Counseling Challenge grant by the American International Group (AIG), a DOW 30 company.

With the funds, SIFE will host credit education programs for students on the UF campus.

Students Brittany Jones, SIFE president; Jason Florence, vice president; Pete Dalpiaz, contributing team member; and team adviser Greg Arburn, Ph.D., submitted the grant proposal. According to Arburn, the students "worked extensively to ensure that the grant application not only met, but also exceeded, the requirements of the grant."



Pete Dalpiaz, Dr. Arburn, Jason Florence and Brittany Jones prepared a grant proposal, which resulted in \$2,500 for the team.

WORTH NOTING

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If you know someone who has done something "worth noting," on campus or within the community or professional realm, send the information to Brianna Patterson, public relations officer, at pattersonb@findlay.edu.

SENIORS EARN \$25

Graduating seniors will have until March 26 to participate in the Collegiate Learning Assessment (CLA) and earn \$25 for their efforts. At 3 p.m. each Wednesday, Feb. 27 through March 26, the CLA will be available at computer stations in Old Main 309. UF administrators will use the responses in decision making related to academic programming. In the fall, freshmen participated in the CLA. Consistent use of the tool will capture a comprehensive and detailed picture of student skills related to analytical reasoning, critical thinking and written communication.

THE PULSE EARNS STATEWIDE RECOGNITION

The University of Findlay may be a small school, but its newspaper is getting big-time recognition.

At an awards ceremony held Feb. 14 in Columbus, the Pulse was given four honorable mentions by the Ohio Newspaper Association (ONA) for its news coverage in 2006-07.

And the most impressive part?

It was the only collegiate newspaper in the competition — all of the other papers being evaluated were commercial weekly publications from around Ohio. Chris Underation, adviser to the “Pulse,” was pleasantly surprised at the results.

“When I entered the pieces in the competition, I was informed ... that we’d be lucky to get an honorable mention,” he said. “ONA tells me the awards we won would be equivalent to a first place in a collegiate division if they had one.”

The Pulse won awards in four categories, including news coverage, in-depth coverage, original columns and community service. Each category was judged by working professionals and university instructors within Ohio. And several writers were honored for their work.

In the area of news coverage, the Pulse was recognized for its Nov. 30, 2006; Sept. 28, 2006; and March 22, 2007, issues. For in-depth coverage, ONA recognized Tim Warner’s article and accompanying editorial about the

“EVERYDAY HEROES” IS THEME FOR MAZZA MUSEUM’S FUNDAY SUNDAY

The Mazza Museum of International Art from Picture Books welcomes families to its next free, once-a-month Funday Sunday from 1:30 to 3:30 p.m. Sunday, March 2, on The University of Findlay campus.

The theme for the afternoon will be “Everyday Heroes,” featuring a guest storyteller and Findlay police chief Bill Spraw, fireman Tom Parke and Peace Corps staff member Lesley Tachibana. Jodi Miller, a teacher and journalist,

will conduct a writing station. In addition, there will be music and a Clay Play pottery station from which to choose, and families can create a mural and more. All activities are designed for families to experience together.

In keeping with the theme of the day, visitors are asked to bring non-perishable food items in lieu of an admission fee. Donations will be collected and delivered to Chopin (Christians Helping Other People in Need) Hall following the event.

pay of the university president. David Springer was acknowledged for three original columns, one regarding the Don Imus situation, one about who the true victims of pornography are and one about how America is not a racist nation.

The judges seemed especially impressed by Springer.

“Springer lends a strong voice and a provocative take on issues of race and gender,” they said.

In the category of community service, several writers were recognized for a series about diversity. Heather Strooh, Angie Darr, Kelly Gadd and Ashley Brugnone contributed features to the series, while Katia Kontar added a column. The judges also commended the writers of this series very highly.

“Working with a staff of only five, the Pulse was able to produce a thoughtful series of articles on a difficult subject,” they said.

Several members of the Pulse staff attended the awards ceremony on Feb. 14. Elizabeth Lewis-House, the current editor of the paper, was one such staff member.

“The trip to Columbus was a really fun learning experience,” she said. “It was one of those hands-on networking experiences that seem to be hard to find if you just stay on campus and don’t go anywhere.”

And Underation is extremely proud of his staffers.

“We’ve worked so hard... I’ve always thought we’re better than some give us credit for, but I didn’t think we’d win awards so soon,” he said.

But the competition judges thought the Pulse deserved all it got.

“The writing showed enterprise and originality worthy of any similar size newspaper,” they said. “The students and university are to be commended.”

By Paige Aten '08, communication major, Napoleon, Ohio



Senior Megan Garner, junior Elizabeth Lewis-House and senior Heather Strooh pose with certificates from the Ohio Newspaper Association at the awards ceremony in Columbus Feb. 14.