**BOUSSON ADVISORY GROUP**

**March 27, 2013**

Present: Scott Wissinger, President Mullen, Brian Anderson, Ray Jozwiak, Emilie Hickox, Rich Bowden,

Larry Lee

Larry Lee opened the meeting at 12:25 in the private dining room, McKinley’s. The minutes were approved as written.

Larry shared an information piece on Buckeye Mineral Development, a firm that apparently had great success leasing land in Ohio. A few of the more prominent landowners around Bousson are in favor of signing with this group at this time.

**April 3 Forum**

Larry shared the flyer for the April 3 forum in Ford Chapel from 7-9 p.m. Appreciation was noted for Brian Anderson for reaching out to the student group that had the chapel booked for another event and gaining access for our forum a half-hour earlier or at 7:00 vs. 7:30. Jack Ubinger will be moderator and Larry will have a phone conversation with him on March 29 to discuss his role. Larry asked the group for advice on setting the parameters for the discussion and for guidance on feedback to Jack. Discussion and advice about the April forum centered around the following points: we want the moderator to keep the conversations free-flowing, but to also explain myths vs. facts; committee members should address the questions from the audience when presented and to assist in the facilitation of the conversation ; someone other than the Advisory Group students should pass the microphones around for questions; Larry Lee will find the persons to do that. He will also invite trustee Rob Smith and a couple other trustees to attend.

The trustees have requested a detailed presentation to be given at the April 27 Board meeting on seismic testing so they can make an informed decision on this first step. Ron Cole will give a PowerPoint presentation and Larry will reach out to Ron. In addition, members of the Bousson Advisory Group will be there to answer any questions the trustees may have. A suggestion was made that the campus should be made aware of the presentation to the trustees.

Larry stated there are three groups: Western Pennsylvania Gas Leasing Consultants, CX Energy, and Buckeye Mineral targeting the Bousson area and signing up landowners. Scott noted that sometimes the lease comes before the seismic testing. It is very unpredictable and could happen quickly, and even if a lease is signed by a landowner, the landowner can still stop the drilling. If a landowner coalition is formed, the company will pick the one that is together and then make a move toward signing. However, even if someone signs on with a group, negotiation still has to take place with each person as an individual lease, and that person can still withdraw. It is a fact that drilling will happen all around the Bousson property--the question is how much of an influence do we want to have as to where the drilling takes place or where the pads might be located as it pertains to Bousson?

There was concern that the drilling company might want an answer during the summer when school is not in session and the next Board meeting is in October. The Executive Committee of the Board has the authority to act on behalf of the Board in case a decision has to be made before the October meeting.

Larry suggested another meeting of the Advisory Group be held prior to the Board meeting. Materials will be sent to the Board with the regular mailing on April 8.

The meeting was adjourned at 1:15 p.m.

Sandra DuChene

Recording Secretary