

UNIVERSITY OF UTAH
BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETING
MARCH 10, 2015

TRUSTEES PRESENT

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| Julie Barrett | Michele Mattsson (Chair) |
| David Burton | Cristina Ortega |
| Phillip W. Clinger (Vice Chair) | Taft Price |
| Christian Gardner | Justin Spangler |
| David Huntsman | |

TRUSTEE EXCUSED

Lisa Eccles

UNIVERSITY REPRESENTATIVES PRESENT

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| Cathy Anderson | Associate Vice President Budget and Planning |
| Richard Brown | Dean, College of Engineering |
| Arnie B. Combe | Vice President, Administrative Services |
| Fred Esplin | Vice President, Institutional Advancement |
| Jeff Herring | Chief Human Resources Officer |
| Steve Hess | Chief Information Officer |
| Chris Hill | Special Assistant to the President and Athletic Director |
| Laura King | Financial Analyst, President's Office |
| Vivian Lee | Senior Vice President, Health Sciences |
| Laura Marks | Liaison to the Board of Trustees |
| Keith Diaz Moore | Dean, Architecture + Planning |
| Allyson Mower | Representing, President, Academic Senate |
| John Nixon | Senior Chief Administrative Officer and Chief Financial Officer |
| Maria O'Mara | Director, Communications |
| Robert C. Muir | Financial and Business Services, International Operations |
| Mike Perez | Associate Vice President, Administrative Service- Facilities |
| Jason Perry | Vice President, Government Relations |
| David W. Pershing | President |
| Patricia A. Ross | Chief Strategy Officer, Secretary to the University |
| Barbara H. Snyder | Vice President, Student Affairs |
| William Warren | Chief Marketing and Communications Officer |
| Ruth V. Watkins | Senior Vice President, Academic Affairs |
| Jeff West | Associate Vice President, Administrative Services- Financial & Business Services |
| Karen West | Executive Assistant to Chief Strategy Officer |
| Gordon N. Wilson | Assistant Vice President, Administrative Services- Auxiliary Services |
| Elizabeth D. Winter | Senior Deputy General Counsel |

OTHERS

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| Kelly Murdock | RBC Capital |
| Florence Hernandez | Senior Class President |
| Annie Knox | Salt Lake Tribune |

CALL TO ORDER

Information: 1.01 - Call to Order

The meeting of the Board of Trustees was called to order at 9:05 AM. Chair Michele Mattsson welcomed Trustees and others in attendance and excused Lisa Eccles.

CHAIR'S REPORT

Information: 2.01 – Honorary Degree Recipients

Chair Mattsson announced that the Honors Committee had selected the 2015 Honorary Degree Recipients. Trustee Julie Barrett, chair of the Honors Committee, introduced the proposed slate of recipients who included Anne Cullimore Decker (Doctorate of Fine Arts), Henry B. Eyring (Doctorate of Humane Letters), Mark Fuller (Doctorate of Engineering), and Robert McDonald (Doctorate of Business).

Motion to approve by David Huntsman, second by David Burton. Final Resolution: Motion Approved. Aye: Julie Barrett, H David Burton, Phillip W Clinger, Christian Gardner, David Huntsman, Michele Mattsson, Cristina Ortega, Taft E Price, and Justin Spangler

A copy of the press release is included as Appendix I with the official minutes of this meeting and is on file in the office of the Secretary to the University.

Information: 2.02 – Current Events and Announcements

Chair Mattsson noted the success of this year's men's basketball team and wished them luck in this week's PAC 12 tournament in Las Vegas. Dr. Chris Hill, athletic director, also complimented Coach Krystkowiak and this year's men's basketball team on their success.

PRESIDENT'S REPORT

Action: 3.01 – Honors and Awards to Members of the University Community, Distinguished Visitors and Research

President Pershing highlighted that the University of Utah Theatre Performing Arts Design Program was ranked No. 4 by On Stage, a national theatre blog and ranking group. The President also recognized Jonathan Chaika, assistant professor of mathematics, for being named as one of 126 young U.S. and Canadian scientists to receive the prestigious 2015 Sloan Research Fellowship. Also recognized by President Pershing was Jennifer Heemstra, an assistant professor of chemistry, for being named as one of 15 Cottrell Scholars, a prize aimed at early career physical sciences faculty who are committed to excellence in research and undergraduate teaching.

A copy of the report is included as Appendix II with the official minutes of this meeting and is on file in the office of the Secretary to the University.

Information: 3.02 – Current Events

President Pershing thanked Vice President Jason Perry for his efforts during the legislative session. Vice President Perry reported the University of Utah received onetime funding for the Gary and Ann Crocker Science Center and

Huntsman Cancer Phase IV. The University of Utah received permission to proceed with the reconstruction of the Orson Spencer Hall building and permission to proceed with renovation of the William Browning Building.

Trustee Spangler reported on the outcome of the recent Associated Students of the University of Utah (ASUU) student body elections. He announced that Ambra Jackson will be the new ASUU President with Anthony Fratto-Olyer, serving as Vice President. He noted that these individuals have already been very active on campus.

COLLEGE FOCUS

Information: 4.01 – College Focus

Senior Vice President Ruth Watkins introduced Dean Keith Diaz Moore, who gave a report on the College of Architecture + Planning. Dean Moore introduced the college as being made up of 462 students taught by 22 tenure-line faculty. The college has three departments: the School of Architecture, which offers a BSAS and the M Arch, the only professionally accredited degree in the state; The Department of City and Metropolitan Planning; and a multi-disciplinary design program which will have its first graduating class this May. A couple of months ago, the Masters of Architecture Program was ranked #1 in the nation by graduateprograms.com. The City and Metropolitan planning program launched just 10 years ago has been ranked in the top 5 in the nation. This semester the Dean has been working with faculty, students, and the community to reposition the college with priority centered on an ethic of caring which then created the vision statement for the college and ties into the five University goals. The College is committed to health and quality of life and has developed partnerships with College of Health, Social Work, Behavioral and Social Sciences and the School of Medicine. These partnerships are helping address issues in designing healthy communities, working to create ecological development plans for future growth, and improving medical equipment to reduce medical errors. The College of Architecture + Planning values community engagement and views service-learning as a central experience for future professionals the college is educating. This summer the college led a project for the Girl Scouts which received national attention. The project introduced pre-teen girl scouts to the profession of architecture and led them through the design and building process alongside U of U students. The college has worked this year to reallocate dollars to boost assistantship offers and fundraising for recruitment scholarships. The Dean mentioned a couple of the challenges the college faces which are: outdated and crowded learning and research environments, and inadequate graduate student funding. Currently the college is 20 percent less expensive per semester than our closest peer. This prevents us from providing leading edge digital fabricating tools to students, providing additional tutoring to enhance retention and graduation rates, engaging in the same level of recruitment as peer institutions, and retaining talented faculty. Architecture jobs are predicted to grow 17 percent over the next seven years. In conclusion, the College of Architecture + Planning educates and trains young Utahans who will design our tomorrow.

A copy of the PowerPoint presentation is included as Appendix III with the official minutes of this meeting and is on file in the office of the Secretary to the University.

SENIOR VICE PRESIDENTS' REPORTS

Report 5.01 – Health Sciences Report

Senior Vice President Lee mentioned the Mid-Valley Dermatology and Moran Eye Center ribbon cutting held on February 23, 2015. Dr. Lee also noted the College of Nursing has been ranked among the top schools in the nation. Recently the college's ranking in U.S. News and World Report jumped from No. 36 to No. 26. The U's patience evaluation program was featured in a recent NY Times article highlighting patient satisfaction.

Report 5.02 – Academic Affairs Report

Senior Vice President Ruth Watkins mentioned the partnership with SLCC, “Access U”. This program is designed to help patch a leak in the pipeline between enrollment and graduation by providing support for capable students who need additional preparation. While participating students are attending SLCC they would have access to academic advisors at both institutions, as well as the library at the U. Dr. Watkins also mention that in preparation for accreditation she has been holding a series of campus dialog sessions. These sessions have covered topics such as student success, research innovation, improving quality of life, and long-term viability of the university.

ACADEMIC REPORTReport 6.01 – Academic Senate Report

Allyson Mower represented Steve Alder since he attended the opening of the public health college in Ghana. The last Senate meeting had no debate items, but did have several information items including a report from the Learning Assessment and Outcomes ad hoc committee which has put a data gathering plan in place. The plan incorporates the curriculum committees in each college and establishes a centralized group tied to the Graduate School to manage the various assessment plans in each college. Other items of note included the meeting of the USHE Faculty Senate Leaders hosted by U of U on Friday, March 20 and the attendance of Senate President Steve Alder and Senate President-Elect Bill Johnson at the Pac-12 Faculty Senate leaders meeting at WSU in Pullman, Washington this week.

GENERAL CONSENT

Action (Consent): 7.01 – Minutes of the February 10, 2015 Meeting of the Board of Trustees

Action (Consent): 7.02 – Faculty and Staff Matters (Appendix IV)

Action (Consent):7.03 – Sabbatical Requests for 2015 - 2016 (Appendix V)

Action (Consent):7.04 – Sponsored Projects Report (Appendix VI)

Action (Consent):7.05 – Monthly Comparison (Gifts) Report (Appendix VII)

Action (Consent):7.06 – Naming of Facilities at the Taft-Nicholson Center for Environmental
Education (Appendix VIII)

Action (Consent):7.07 – Administrative Reports from the University of Utah to the State
Building Board (Appendix IX)

Action (Consent):7.08 – General Revenue Bond Series 2015B – Approval to Issue General
Revenue Bonds for Two New Money Projects and Refunding
Of Previous Debt (Appendix X)

Action (Consent):7.09 – Capital Facilities Projects – Approval to Remodel Existing Space in the Henry
Eyring Chemistry Building (Appendix XI)

Action (Consent):7.10 – Capital Facilities Project – Approval of the 2015 Campus Master PlanUpdates (Appendix XII)Action (Consent):7.11 – Report of Investments Portfolio – for the Month of February 2015

(Appendix XIII)

Chair Mattsson introduced the General Consent Calendar and asked for questions or comments. There were no questions or concerns raised by the Trustees

Motion to approve the Consent Calendar by David Burton, second by Christian Gardner. Final Resolution: Motion Approved. Aye: Julie Barrett, David Burton, Philip W. Clinger, Christian Gardner, David Huntsman, Michele Mattsson, Cristina Ortega, Taft Price, and Justin Spangler

Background materials are included in the Appendix (as noted above) and are on file in the office of the Secretary to the University.

ACTIONAction 8.01 – Tuition and Fees for Academic Year 2015 – 2016

President Pershing explained that the Board of Regents sets the tier-one tuition for the state's institutions of higher education as an across the board percentage. In addition to this, the tier-two percent is set by each individual institution. He added that since the Board of Regents has yet to set their tuition figure, the University cannot determine an exact tier-two figure at this time but will instead be requesting a final combined figure of an increase of no more than 3.5 %. President Pershing went on to state that the University has met with the ASUU leadership which understands the request and students will be informed of the proposed increase at the Truth-in-Tuition meeting held this afternoon. Trustee Michele Mattsson acknowledged the efforts to keep costs low for students. Trustees Huntsman and Barrett agreed, but also discussed the need to balance the needs of our colleges to ensure that we continue to fund solid programs.

Motion to approve item 8.01 by Taft Price, second by Justin Spangler. Final Resolution: Motion Approved. Aye: Julie Barrett, David Burton, Philip W. Clinger, Christian Gardner, David Huntsman, Michele Mattsson, Cristina Ortega, Taft Price, and Justin Spangler

A copy of the proposal is included as Appendix XIV with the official minutes of this meeting and is on file in the office of the Secretary to the University.

Action 8.02 – ECE – Online Tuition

President Pershing explained that currently the Department of Electrical and Computer Engineering (ECE) has approximately 110 students enrolled in its MSEE program. The number has been steady over the past five years, attracting students employed by local companies who can obtain support from their employers. However, there are numerous engineers working in companies with strong ties to the University of Utah that find it challenging to consider our program due to their location. Even those companies within easy reach of campus indicated that the availability of an online program would greatly improve the efficiency in providing their employees with opportunity to pursue further education while minimizing the disruption to their workflow. The proposed online option, will offer the opportunity to increase the number of students who participate in our program and increase the program's market and external visibility by offering the same tuition rate for in-state and out-of-state students.

Motion to item 8.03 by Phil Clinger, second by Julie Barrett. Final Resolution: Motion Approved. Aye: Julie Barrett, David Burton, Philip W. Clinger, Christian Gardner, David Huntsman, Michele Mattsson, Cristina Ortega, Taft Price, and Justin Spangler

A copy of the proposal is included as Appendix XV with the official minutes of this meeting and is on file in the office of the Secretary to the University.

Action 8.03 – ASUU Redbook Change – ASUU Constitution

Trustee Justin Spangler explained the changes being made to the ASUU Constitution. The positions of ASUU Vice President and Senior Class President are being dissolved and the ASUU offices of Vice President of Student Relations and Vice President of University Relations are being created. These two new positions, which would be elected on a joint ticket with the President of ASUU, would allow for more efficient distribution of responsibilities and better oversight and accountability to executive offices of the President, Vice President of Student Relations, and Vice President of University Relations. The changes would take effect in the ASUU elections in spring 2016.

Motion to approve item 8.03 by Justin Spangler, second by Cristina Ortega. Final Resolution: Motion Approved. Aye: Julie Barrett, David Burton, Philip W. Clinger, Christian Gardner, David Huntsman, Michele Mattsson, Cristina Ortega, Taft Price, and Justin Spangler

A copy of the proposal is included as Appendix XVI - XIX with the official minutes of this meeting and is on file in the office of the Secretary to the University.

Note – Items 8.04 – 8.06 were voted on as group with results noted under item 8.06

Action 8.04 – Capital Facilities Projects – Approval to Remodel Space in Building 3113 (Mid-Valley Campus)

The proposed project will reconfigure approximately 5,418 sq ft of existing space at the 2nd Level of the Mid-Valley West Building to facilitate the relocation of the Utah Lions Eye Bank from the Moran Building. The Utah Lions Eye Bank serves the Intermountain region by encouraging people to pledge and ultimately donate their eyes at death. The Eye Bank evaluates, recovers, processes and distributes corneas to qualified ophthalmic surgeons for transplantation and supplies eye tissue for a variety of research and educational projects. This relocation not only facilitates the needs of a successful and expanding department but will provide a better and more central location within the valley to serve community needs. Work includes demolition of the existing office space, currently vacant, and reconfiguration to provide new clinical, administrative, and laboratory space necessary to accommodate the growing department. New furnishings, finishes and equipment are included in the total project cost.

The proposed total project budget is \$1,302,213 and will be funded by the Moran Eye Center.

A copy of the proposal is included as Appendix XX, respectively, with the official minutes of this meeting and is on file in the office of the Secretary to the University.

Action 8.05 – Capital Facilities Projects – Approval to Renovate Space in the Radiobiology Laboratory Building

The proposed project will renovate existing laboratory space in the Zebrafish Core Research Facility located on the first floor of the building. Work will include renovation to the Zebrafish breeding and animal facilities located in Building 585 and support expanded research. In the current facility, there are enough tanks to house 75,000 fish, this work will increase the tank number to house 125,000 fish and improve its associated equipment. Also included is the expansion of the kitchen/dishwashing support area, staff office area, a new quarantine room and microscope work spaces. All associated equipment is included in the total project cost.

The proposed total project budget is \$1,129,000 and will be funded by Research Grant funds.

A copy of the proposal is included as Appendix XXI, respectively, with the official minutes of this meeting and is on file in the office of the Secretary to the University.

Action 8.06 – Capital Facilities Projects p Approval to Provide Additional Restrooms at the Rice-Eccles Stadium

Pending confirmation of Salt Lake City sanitary sewer capacity, the proposed project will construct additional men's restrooms to both the northwest and northeast concourses of the stadium increasing the fixture count by approximately 88 units (water closets and urinals). This will be done by creating approximately 7,350 GSF of infill space. Currently, the wait times at the women's restrooms in this area are not as significant. Work will also include modifying gate areas and expanding perimeter fencing at ground level to enlarge the area of each concourse to the greatest extent possible to relieve congestion. Additional ADA restrooms will also be provided as part of this enhancement.

The proposed total project budget is \$3,300,000 and will be funded by Auxiliary Services funds.

A copy of the proposal is included as Appendix XXII, respectively, with the official minutes of this meeting and is on file in the office of the Secretary to the University.

Motion to items 8.04 – 8.06 by Christian Gardner, second by David Burton and David Huntsman. Final Resolution: Motion Approved. Aye: Julie Barrett, David Burton, Philip W. Clinger, Christian Gardner, David Huntsman, Michele Mattsson, Cristina Ortega, Taft Price, and Justin Spangler

INFORMATION

Information 9.01 – Graduate Council Review – Department of Civil & Environmental Engineering

Information 9.02 – Graduate Council Review – Department of Bioengineering

Chair Mattson introduced the Graduate Council Reviews. There were no questions or concerns raised by the Trustees.

Copy of the Graduate Council Review is included as Appendix XXIII and XXIV respectively, with the official minutes of this meeting and is on file in the office of the Secretary to the University.

ADJOURN

Resolution: Chair Michele Mattsson recommended approval to adjourn the open meeting of the Board of Trustees.

At 10:25 a.m. the March 10, 2015 open meeting of the Board of Trustees voted to adjourn.

The next scheduled meeting will be held April 14, 2015.

Motion to approve by David Burton, second by Justin Spangler. Final Resolution: Motion Approved

Aye: Julie Barrett, David Burton, Philip W. Clinger, Christian Gardner, David Huntsman, Michele Mattsson, Cristina Ortega, Taft Price, and Justin Spangler

Signed by: Laura Marks

Date approved: 14 April 2015