

UNIVERSITY OF UTAH
BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETING
JUNE 10, 2026

TRUSTEES PRESENT

Curt Doman
Katie Eccles (Chair)
Christena Huntsman
Karen Marriott
Steve Miller

Bassam Salem
Randy Shumway (Vice-chair)
Jamie Sorenson
Erica Stringham

EXCUSE

Kathi Garff

UNIVERSITY REPRESENTATIVES PRESENT

Hollie Andrus	Chief Audit Executive
Jenny Andrus	Department Chair, Writing and Rhetoric Studies
Sierra Canela	Director for Student Governance and Leadership
Bob Carter	Executive Vice President, Health Sciences, and CEO, University of Utah Health
Troy D'Ambrosio	Chief of Staff, President's Office, and Vice President, Innovation
Kent Gordon	CFO, ARUP Laboratories
Brett Graham	Institute President, Huntsman Mental Health Institute
Chase Hagood	Vice Provost for Student Success
Mark Harlan	Athletic Director
Jeff Herring	Chief Human Resources Officer
Steve Hess	Chief Information Officer
Ischa Jensen	Associate Executive Director, System Planning, University of Utah Hospitals and Clinics
Lori Kaczka	Executive Director, Facilities and Capital Projects
Teresa Kehl	Deputy Chief of Staff and Special Assistant to the First Lady, President's Office
Jeff Labrum	Chief Operating Officer
Lissa Larson	Associate Director, Sustainability and Energy Management
Dan Lundergan	CEO, University of Utah Hospitals and Clinics
Laura Marks	Chief of Staff to the Executive Vice President for Academic Affairs
Maureen Mathison	Associate Professor, Department of Writing and Rhetoric
Alexis Matthews	Community Engagement Specialist, Marketing and Communications
Gary McArthur	Enterprise Chief Financial Officer (incoming)
Ian McNeal	Director of Finance, ARUP Laboratories
Brent Milne	President, Academic Senate
Mitzi Montoya	Executive Vice President, Academic Affairs
Melody Murdock	Director, Strategic Communications
Chris Nelson	Chief University Relations Officer & Secretary to the University
Charlton Park	CFO and CAO, University of Utah Hospitals and Clinics
Rob Patton	Executive Communications Manager
Jason Perry	Vice President, Government Relations
Annalisa Purser	Director of Board Governance, Policy and Operations
Jason Ramirez	Associate Vice President, Student Affairs; and Dean of Students

Taylor Randall	President
Erin Rothwell	Vice President, Research
Jim Russell	Chief Facilities Officer
Laura Snow	Interim Chief of Staff to the Executive Vice President for Health Sciences
Vivek Srikumar	Associate Professor, School of Computing
Andy Theurer	CEO, ARUP Laboratories
Andrea Thomas	Chief Experience Officer
Michelle Thompson	Manager, Office of Student Experience
Reece Vedder	Associate Director, Naming Recognition & Compliance, U Advancement
Phyllis Vetter	General Counsel and Vice President
Nate Virgin	Director, Print & Mail Services
Tony Wagner	Chief Financial Officer
Rebecca Walsh	Director, Public Relations & Communications
Kathy Wilets	Senior Director, Marketing and Communication Management
Marie Wintriss	Past President, University of Utah Staff Council
Heidi Woodbury	Vice President, Institutional Advancement

OTHERS

David Anderson	Chairman and CEO, University of Utah Growth Capital Partners Foundation
Amy Frampton	President-elect, Alumni Association
Courtney Tanner	Tribune Reporter
Students	

CALL TO ORDER

Information: 1.01 – Welcome and Call to Order

The meeting of the Board of Trustees was called to order at 8:00 a.m. in the Cleone Peterson Eccles Alumni House, Sorenson Legacy Foundation Boardroom. Chair Eccles welcomed Trustees and others in attendance.

CLOSED MEETING

Chair Katie Eccles asked for a motion to go into closed session in the Beehive Room of the Alumni House for the purpose of discussing the purchase, exchange, sale, or lease of real property or the proposed development of land owned by the University.

Motion to move into closed session by Jamie Sorenson, second by Curt Doman. Final Resolution: Motion Approved. Aye: Curt Doman, Katie Eccles, Karen Marriott, Steve Miller, Bassam Salem, Jamie Sorenson, Erica Stringham

GENERAL CONSENT

Chair Eccles thanked everyone in attendance for their patience while the Trustees were meeting in closed session. She stated that the meeting is conducted transparently pursuant to the Utah Open and Public Meetings Act.

Chair Eccles welcomed Trustee Erica Stringham as the new student body president and Trustee. Trustee Stringham is studying both psychology and strategic communication. Previously, she served as Chair of the ASUU Campus Events Board and currently serves as Events Director for Women in Investing within the David Eccles School of Business and is a member of the Kappa Kappa Gamma sorority.

Chair Eccles excused Trustee Kathi Garff, who was unable to attend.

Action (Consent): 3.01 – Minutes of the April 14 Meetings of the Board of Trustees

Action (Consent): 3.02 – Faculty and Staff Matters (Appendix I)

Action (Consent): 3.03 – Sabbatical Request (Appendix II)

Action (Consent): 3.04 – Report of Investments Portfolio – for the Month of March (Appendix III)

Action (Consent): 3.05 – Capital Facilities Projects (Appendix IV)

Action (Consent): 3.06 – University Leases (Appendix V)

Action (Consent): 3.07 – Program Change – Program in Genetic Counseling Move to Department of Pediatrics (Appendix VI)

Action (Consent): 3.08 – Institute Status – Huntsman Mental Health Institute (Appendix VII)

Action (Consent): 3.09 – New Graduate Certificate – Financial Technology (Appendix VIII)

Action (Consent): 3.10 – ASUU Constitutional Change (Appendix IX)

Action (Consent): 3.11 – ASUU 2026 – 2027 Budget (Appendix X)

Action (Consent): 3.12 – Revise Policy – Policy 6-500: Curriculum Management and Administration (Appendix XI)

Action (Consent): 3.13 – Corporate Resolution – Updated Corporate Resolution for Investment Administration (Appendix XII)

Action (Consent): 3.14 – Updated Advancement Corporate Resolution (Appendix XIII)

Action (Consent): 3.15 – Naming – Beth Launiere Court in the Crimson Court of HPER East Building (Appendix XIV)

Prior to the motion to approve the consent agenda, Chair Eccles highlighted Item 3.08 – Huntsman Mental Health Institute. She noted that though this unit has used the term “Institute” since its beginning, it was not formally recognized as a “University Academic Center or Institute” (UACI) under university policy. To carry this designation, a center or institute must be formally approved and governed as an official academic unit, with defined structures, oversight, and review processes.

HMHI is an entity whose 40-year legacy began at the U with the Department of Psychiatry, the Western Institute of Neuropsychiatry (WIN), and the University Neuropsychiatric Institute (UNI), and is now the Huntsman Mental Health Institute (HMHI) after a generous gift from the Huntsman Family Foundation in 2019.

HMHI has demonstrated a strong fit for the formal “institute” designation, showing a commitment to fostering collaboration with faculty across both the U and USHE, advancing research, and training health professionals.

Prior to coming to the Board for approval, this proposal was reviewed by the UACI Coordinating Committee and the Council of Academic Deans and was approved by the Academic Senate.

Motion to approve the consent agenda by Steve Miller, second by Christen Huntsman. Final Resolution: Motion Approved. Aye: Curt Doman, Katie Eccles, Christena Huntsman, Karen Marriott, Steve Miller, Bassam Salem, Randy Shumway, Jamie Sorenson, Erica Stringham

Background materials are included in the Appendices (as noted above) and can be found online with each agenda item or through the Office of the Secretary to the University.

ACTION AGENDA

Action: 4.01 – Naming – Julie Aiken Hansen Locker Rooms in the Ute Natatorium

Heidi Woodbury, Vice President University Advancement, presented item 4.01.

In recognition of a \$1,000,000 gift from Julie Aiken Hansen, DNP, and Dell Loy Hansen, the University of Utah would like to name the locker rooms in honor of Julie. A fully executed gift agreement is in place, and the gift is paid in full.

Motion to approve naming of the Julie Aiken Hansen Locker Rooms in the Ute Natatorium by Curt Doman second by Karen Marriott. Final Resolution: Motion Approved. Aye: Curt Doman, Katie Eccles, Christena Huntsman, Karen Marriott, Steve Miller, Bassam Salem, Randy Shumway, Jamie Sorenson, Erica Stringham

Action: 4.02 – New Degree – Artificial Intelligence BS

Vivek Srikumar, Associate Professor, School of Computing, presented item 4.02.

The Kahlert School of Computing is proposing to create a new undergraduate bachelor's degree program in Artificial Intelligence. This degree will prepare students for employment in a wide range of positions both in developing AI systems and in the growing number of application domains. Coursework will include foundations of computer science and mathematics, machine learning, data analysis, natural language processing, computer vision and robotics. Students will engage in discussions around building and deploying AI responsibly as well as the societal, ethical, and philosophical implications of AI. The proposed program is distinct from the closely related degree in Data Science because it has a stronger emphasis on algorithms, optimization, and engineering and prepares students for technical roles, including developing autonomous intelligent systems and leveraging techniques from NLP, computer visions, robotics, and more. The demand for AI-related jobs is growing every day, and this program will prepare our students to fill rolls in this emerging industry. The degree program will require two additional tenure-track faculty to

create and teach the new courses and one career-line faculty to cover additional sections of machine learning and artificial intelligence courses. They currently have the needed funds to establish this program and run it for the first three years, and the additional tuition dollars could be used to continue funding.

Members of the Board of Trustees asked questions prior to the motion to approve.

Supporting materials are included as Appendix XV with the official minutes of this meeting and can be found online or through the Office of the Secretary to the University.

Motion to approve of the creation of the new Bachelor of Science in Artificial Intelligence by Bassam Salem, second by Christena Huntsman. Final Resolution: Motion Approved. Aye: Curt Doman, Katie Eccles, Christena Huntsman, Karen Marriott, Steve Miller, Bassam Salem, Randy Shumway, Jamie Sorenson, Erica Stringham

Action: 4.03 – New Degree – MA/MS Workplace Writing and Emergent Technologies

Jenny Andrus, Department Chair, Writing and Rhetoric Studies and Maureen Mathison, Associate Professor, Department of Writing and Rhetoric, presented item 4.03.

The College of Humanities is proposing to create an MA/MS in Workplace Writing and Emergent Technologies, effective Fall 2027. The program will be a fully online professional graduate degree designed to prepare students for careers in workplace writing shaped by Generative AI (GenAI) and other emerging technologies. The curriculum integrates advanced professional writing skills, workplace research methods, information design and ethical decision-making with specialized courses in AI-assisted writing, content strategy and digital communication. The program aims to advance scholarly inquiry in professional writing and technology, foster interdisciplinary collaboration, develop a model for ethical AI integration in writing pedagogy and support lifelong learning and academic progression. A capstone project—either a workplace internship or professional paper—replaces a traditional thesis, ensuring applied, career-relevant outcomes. Students will graduate prepared to lead in fields such as technical writing, UX content strategy, grant writing, editing, healthcare communication and digital media. Writing is one of the most in-demand durable skills across industries, especially when paired with technological fluency. Utah projects a 26% growth in technical writing jobs by 2032, far above the national average of 4%. Salaries range from \$60,000 to \$110,000 depending on region and role. This career-oriented program will meet that job demand and attract students looking to take part in this emerging field. The program will draw on existing Writing & Rhetoric Studies faculty and will expand with new hires specializing in GenAI and workplace writing, specifically one new tenure-track faculty member. They propose charging a differential tuition rate for this MA program, which is appropriate given the professional orientation of the degree and the fact that many students may already be employed and have access to tuition or education benefits through their workplaces.

Members of the Board of Trustees made comments and asked questions prior to the motion to approve.

Supporting materials are included as Appendix XVI with the official minutes of this meeting and can be found online or through the Office of the Secretary to the University.

Motion to approve the creation of a new MA/MS in Workplace Writing and Emergent Technologies by Jamie Sorenson second by Bassam Salem. Final Resolution: Motion Approved. Aye: Curt Doman, Katie Eccles, Christena Huntsman, Karen Marriott, Steve Miller, Bassam Salem, Randy Shumway, Jamie Sorenson, Erica Stringham

Action: 4.04 – Print, Mail, and Receiving Service Building

Jeff Labrum, Chief Operating Officer, presented item 4.04.

This project is the relocation of Print, Mail, and Receiving Services from the Turpin University Services Building site, allowing the area to be cleared for future College Town Magic-related construction activities.

The proposed facility would be located on the north end of the West Village site and would consolidate Print, Mail, and Receiving Services operations into a purpose-built facility. Labrum noted that the project may create opportunities for future Facilities and Auxiliary Services development adjacent to the site.

The project is planned as a design-build procurement. Preliminary project costs including a base project budget of approximately \$15.6M and an alternative option that includes Campus Store Fulfillment space, bringing the total project cost to approximately \$19.8M. Funding would be provided through departmental and Facilities Management funds.

Chair Eccles noted the project had come before the Board's Campus Master Plan Committee for prior review.

Supporting materials are included as Appendix XVII with the official minutes of this meeting and can be found online or through the Office of the Secretary to the University.

Motion to approve the design and construction of the new Print, Mail, and Receiving Services Building by Bassam Salem, second by Curt Doman. Final Resolution: Motion Approved. Aye: Curt Doman, Katie Eccles, Christena Huntsman, Karen Marriott, Steve Miller, Bassam Salem, Randy Shumway, Jamie Sorenson, Erica Stringham

Action: 4.05 – West Valley Temporary Clinic

Dan Lundergan, CEO, University of Utah Hospitals and Clinic; and Ischa Jensen, Associate Executive Director, System Planning, University of Utah Hospitals and Clinics presented item 4.05.

The current project budget is approximately \$810M compared to the original budget goal of \$855M. Site construction is actively underway, with steel completion anticipated in September and a phased opening planned between late 2028 and late 2029.

The temporary clinic is a strategic initiative to establish a U Health presence in West Valley prior to the opening of the permanent health campus. Benefits include improving community access to care, building referral relationships and brand awareness, supporting physician and staff recruitment, and creating operational readiness for the future hospital and health campus. This temporary clinic is similar to the temporary clinic model utilized in South Jordan and Farmington.

The proposed temporary clinic would provide approximately 12,000 square feet of clinical space, including 22 exam rooms, a procedure room, point-of-care laboratory, and retail pharmacy. Planned services include primary care, women's health, cardiology, neurology, gastroenterology, dermatology, mental health, and other specialties. The facility is expected to open in spring 2027.

The total project cost is estimated at \$8.7 million and will be funded through Hospital Strategic Funds. Nearly all project investments are able to be repurposed for the permanent facility or future temporary clinic locations, with medical equipment transitioning to the permanent ambulatory building upon completion.

Members of the Board of Trustees offered additional comments and questions prior to the motion to approve.

Supporting material is included as Appendix XVIII with the official minutes of this meeting and can be found online or through the Office of the Secretary to the University.

Motion to approve moving forward with the construction and implementation of the West Valley Temporary Clinic by Bassam Salem, second by Randy Shumway. Final Resolution: Motion Approved. Aye: Curt Doman, Katie Eccles, Christena Huntsman, Karen Marriott, Steve Miller, Bassam Salem, Randy Shumway, Jamie Sorenson, Erica Stringham

Action: 4.06 – U Health System Regional Campus Development

Bob Carter, Executive Vice President for Health Sciences, presented item 4.06.

Dr. Carter presented a proposal to purchase approximately 46 acres of land at The Point for future University of Utah Health clinical use. He outlined U Health's vision to create an innovative and expansive academic health care ecosystem at The Point (Draper), designed to lead the future of health and healing for Utah and the Mountain West.

Dr. Carter noted the strategic importance of expanding access to high-quality, complex care by bringing services closer to where patients live while maintaining strong connectivity to the University's academic medical campus. Dr. Carter explained that proactive growth is necessary to meet increasing healthcare demand and support U Health's long-term clinical, academic, and research missions.

The proposed purchase price of \$43,472,017.

A copy of the supporting material is included as Appendix XIX with the official minutes of this meeting and can be found online or through the Office of the Secretary to the University.

Motion to approve to approve the purchase of approximately 46 acres of land at The Point for future U Health clinical usage by Bassam Salem, second by Christena Huntsman. Final Resolution: Motion Approved. Aye: Curt Doman, Katie Eccles, Christena Huntsman, Karen Marriott, Steve Miller, Bassam Salem, Randy Shumway, Jamie Sorenson, Erica Stringham

INTENT AGENDA

Chair Eccles noted that the Utah State Legislature recently updated the Higher Education code, introducing new requirements for Board of Trustee approval of the University's annual budget. While the University of Utah Board of Trustees has long held delegated authority over the U Hospitals and Clinics budget, this broader oversight requirement is new. Trustees will review the Hospitals and Clinics budget, as well as the ARUP budget, but Board action will be deferred until the August meeting, when Trustees anticipate voting on the University's budget as a whole.

Report: 5.01 – U Hospitals and Clinics Budget

Executive VP for Health Sciences Dr. Bob Carter; Dan Lundergan, CEO, University of Utah Hospitals and Clinics; and Charlton Park, Chief Financial Officer, University of Utah Hospitals and Clinics; presented the FY27 University of Utah Hospitals and Clinics budget. It was noted that the budget was previously reviewed and supported by the U Health System Board. The operational budget for fiscal year 2027 is \$4,630.8M total operating revenue, \$4,327.5M total operating expenses, and \$303.3M operating gain.

Members of the Board of Trustees asked questions related to the presentation.

Supporting materials are included as Appendix XX with the official minutes of this meeting and can be found online or through the Office of the Secretary to the University.

Report: 5.02 – ARUP Budget

Chair Eccles introduced ARUP by noting that more than 40 years ago, ARUP was established as the “Associated Regional and University Pathologists” by university faculty members. Its first CEO was Dr. John Matsen, who simultaneously served as chair of the Department of Pathology. Today, it has grown into a leading national academic reference laboratory and is a vital part of the institution and the impact it continues to have on the people of our state and across the country and the globe.

Andy Theurer, CEO, ARUP Laboratories; and Kent Gordon, Chief Financial Officer of ARUP Laboratories; presented the FY27 ARUP Laboratories budget. The operating budget for fiscal year 2027 is \$1,138.8M in revenue and non-operating income and \$1,002.3M in expenses.

Members of the Board of Trustees asked questions related to the presentation.

Supporting materials are included as Appendix XXI with the official minutes of this meeting and can be found online or through the Office of the Secretary to the University.

CHAIR’S REPORT

Report: 6.01 – Current Events and Announcements

Chair Eccles recognized the passing of Karen Haight Huntsman and reflected on her many contributions and accomplishments. Chair Eccles noted the significant impact she had on the University and the broader community and expressed that she will be deeply missed.

Chair Eccles noted Honorary degree nominations are open and asked Trustees and others in attendance to consider nominating individuals for the University’s highest honor. Nominees should demonstrate distinction in professional achievement, public or community service, and/or meaningful engagement with the University. Nominations can be submitted online or through the Board’s Honors Committee, which will be chaired by Amy Frampton, incoming Trustee, replacing Trustee Jamie Sorenson as President of the U Alumni Board of Governors.

Chair Eccles asked Trustees to save the date for the Utes Productions Grand Opening on August 12 from 10-11:30 a.m. The new broadcast center will be for Athletics and the Communications Department opening in the Languages & Communications Building. This space will be used by Athletics, as well as ESPN and other networks, to provide state-of-the-art facilities for broadcasting events at the U. It will also include a podcast room and areas for students to develop skills in broadcasting and production.

Report: 6:02 – Resolution of Appreciation

Chair Eccles recognized Alumni Board of Governors President Trustee Jamie Sorenson, for his service to the University and Alumni. Trustee Curt Doman read the resolution, noting accomplishments during Trustee Sorenson's tenure. Trustee Sorenson responded and shared departing thoughts and appreciation. President Taylor Randall commented on his appreciation working with Trustee Sorenson during his term.

A copy of the resolution is included as Appendix XXII with the official minutes of this meeting and can be found online or through the Office of the Secretary to the University.

ADMINISTRATION REPORT

Report: 6.01 – Administration Report

President Randall announced that Jenny Mayer-Glenn, Executive Director of University Neighborhood Partners, will retire at the end of June. He highlighted her accomplishments and contributions to the University and surrounding communities, expressing appreciation for her years of dedicated service and lasting impact.

President Randall turned time over to Chief Operating Officer Jeff Labrum to review the University's efforts to conserve water during the current drought conditions.

The University is proactively working to reduce water usage in its landscaping and recognize the University's role in helping the state address the ongoing drought. A key component of this work is assessing turf, and where feasible/appropriate, reducing the amount of unused turf on campus. Part of this work is an ongoing turf assessment that will help the University finalize a comprehensive plan and budget for this work.

The full administrative report is included as Appendix XXIII with the official minutes of this meeting and can be found online or through the Office of the Secretary to the University.

ASUU UPDATE

Chair Eccles referred Trustees to the written reports in their folders and posted on online.

Report: 8:01 – ASUU Report

A copy of the report is included as Appendix XXIV with the official minutes of this meeting and can be found online or through the Office of the Secretary to the University.

Report: 8.02 – ASUU Legislation and Joint Resolutions

A copy of the report is included as Appendix XXV with the official minutes of this meeting and can be found online or through the Office of the Secretary to the University.

ACADEMIC SENATE

Report: 9.01 – Academic Senate Report

A copy of the report is included as Appendix XXVI with the official minutes of this meeting and can be found online or through the Office of the Secretary to the University.

ALUMNI REPORT

Report: 10.01 – Alumni Relations Report

A copy of the report is included as Appendix XXVII with the official minutes of this meeting and can be found online or through the Office of the Secretary to the University.

INFORMATION AGENDA

Information: 11.01 – Undergraduate Council Review – Department of Theatre

Information: 11.02 – UUHC Financial Pulse

Information: 11.03 – Sponsored Projects Report

These reports are included as Appendices XXVIII - XXX with the official minutes of this meeting and can be found online or through the Office of the Secretary to the University.

ADJOURN

Chair Eccles recommended a motion to adjourn the open meeting of the Board of Trustees.

Motion to adjourn the meeting by Randy Shumway, second by Curt Doman Final Resolution: Motion Approved. Aye: Curt Doman, Katie Eccles, Christena Huntsman, Karen Marriott, Steve Miller, Bassam Salem, Randy Shumway, Jamie Sorenson, Erica Stringham

At 10:10 a.m., the meeting was adjourned.

The next scheduled meeting will be August 11, 2026.

Signed by: Christopher Nelson

Date approved: 11 August 2026