

Minutes (Draft)
Weber State University
Board of Trustees
Dec. 1, 2015

Trustee Members:

Ms. Louenda Downs
Ms. Karen Fairbanks
Ms. Heather Hales
Mr. Cash Knight
Mr. Scott Parson
Mr. Steven E. Starks
Dr. Jeff Stephens
Mr. Kevin Sullivan (Vice Chair)

Excused:

Mr. Alan Hall (Chair)
Mr. Nolan Karras

Weber State University Officials:

Dr. Charles A. Wight, President
Dr. Norm Tarbox, VP for Administrative Services
Dr. Madonne Miner, Provost
Dr. Brad Mortensen, VP for University Advancement
Dr. Jan Winniford, VP for Student Affairs
Dr. Bret Ellis, VP for Information Technology
Mr. Shane Farver, Secretary, Board of Trustees
Dr. Marek Matyjasik, Vice Chair, Faculty Senate
Mr. John Kowalewski, Executive Director, Marketing & Communications
Ms. Amelia Williams, Vice Chair, Staff Advisory Council

Press Present:

Becky Wright, Standard-Examiner

Welcome

Nov. 3, 2015, Minutes

President's Report

(Native Symposium)

(Japanese Delegation)

(Veterans Day)

- I. The meeting convened at 9:35 a.m.
- II. Vice Chair Kevin Sullivan, acting in Chair Alan Hall's absence, took role and welcomed those present.
- III. On a motion from Scott Parson seconded by Louenda Downs, the Board of Trustees unanimously approved minutes from the Nov. 3, 2015, meeting.
- IV. President Charles A. Wight gave a report covering the following items:
 - 1) WSU hosted the 10th Annual Native Symposium on Nov. 10. Garth "Jerry" Bear of the Skull Valley Goshute Indian Tribe presided over a sunrise ceremony. Many other events were held during the day, and it concluded with a student panel for high school participants with native student leaders on campus.
 - 2) Judge Raymond Uno, a great friend of Weber State, partnered with the WSU President's Office and Center for Diversity and Unity to host the "Walk in the U.S., Talk on Japan" program on Nov. 12. The program seeks to promote understanding of Japan. A formal, traditional Japanese meal was served. Guests heard from a delegation that included Ken Shimanuchi, former Japanese ambassador to Spain and Brazil.
 - 3) WSU's Veterans Day commemoration included a luncheon for supporters, where awards were presented to World War II veterans Jim Hurst and Dean Hurst as well as keynote speaker Haven Barlow, also a veteran of WWII. In the evening, WSU held "A Light to Remember," a memorial at the Stewart Bell Tower. It featured the ROTC choir and remarks from Congressman Rob Bishop. It culminated in the illumination of a search light, reminding us to remember veterans in the community and on campus.

(International Education Week)

4) WSU's Office of International Programs hosted an International Education Week Nov. 16-20 to promote understanding. It was a great day of service and dance.

(Weber State Farmington Station)

5) Weber State Farmington Station held its grand opening on Nov. 17. The 11,000-square-foot facility, located above Old Navy in Station Park, houses the executive Master of Health Administration program. Additional classes and certificate programs will be held at that facility at a later date. The facility is located in an easily accessible area at the confluence of Highway 89, Interstate 15 and the Farmington FrontRunner station.

(Dream 125 Goal)

6) WSU has officially surpassed its goal of raising \$125 million as part of its Dream 125 campaign. The university is at \$128.3 million as of Sept. 30. Weber State will continue to raise funds until June 30, 2016, when the campaign concludes. The support from alumni, friends and community members has been remarkable. It's been a treat to see the work that Alan Hall and many others have put into the campaign.

(Gulf Coast Showcase)

7) The WSU men's basketball team ran the table at the Gulf Coast Showcase basketball tournament in Florida. The team won the championship. Joel Bolomboy and Jeremy Senglin were named to the All-Tournament Team, and Senglin received the Most Valuable Player Award.

(Farmington Station Meeting)

The Board of Trustees agreed to have its next Davis County Meeting at Weber State Farmington Station

WSUSA President's Report

V. WSUSA Student Body President Cash Knight gave a report on the following items:

(Service)

1) There were 18 new service events this month, with 214 new students participating. Clubs and Organizations held a service activity as well.

(Training Conferences)

2) Student leadership has been focusing upon training conferences for those students already in

(Nearly Naked Mile)

leadership positions.

- 3) More than 300 canned food items and over 400 gently used clothing items were donated during the Nearly Naked Mile. While dropping clothes off, student leaders had the chance to give a mother some children's clothes.

(Future Events)

- 4) WSUSA is planning events for spring semester.

Alumni President's Report

VI. Heather Hales, president of the WSU Alumni Association's Board of Directors, gave a report on the following items:

(Student Alumni Association)

- 1) The Student Alumni Association participated in the United Way Thanksgiving Drive for turkeys. Twenty turkeys were donated, as well as half donations.

(Regional Alumni Chapters)

- 2) Regional alumni chapters have planned several events during the year, and the Alumni Association is excited to keep that momentum going. This is the first year that regional chapters have been involved.

(Golf tournament)

- 3) Hales provided information to trustees about the Alumni Golf Classic. Last year, \$30,000 scholarships were donated during the tournament.

(Membership events)

- 4) The Alumni Association held a Boondocks event. Those with memberships received a discount. In addition, the association was at Christmas Village. The Alumni Association's Christmas house is a dorm room, and trustees were encouraged to go to it. Trustee Louenda Downs joined the

(Phone-A-Thon)

- 5) The phone-a-thon resulted in 52 percent of pledges being fulfilled.

(Shoeboxes for Veterans)

- 6) The Alumni Association will participate in Shoeboxes for Veterans this year.

Faculty Report

VII. Marek Matyjasik, vice chair of the faculty senate, reported that the Weber State University chapter of Sigma Xi was recognized nationally for program excellence. WSU was one of four chapters to be recognized.

Committee Reports
Business Committee

VIII. Scott Parson gave the following report on the Board of Trustees Business Committee:

(Quarterly Investment
Report)

- 1) The last part of the quarter was challenging due to movement in the stock market, but Norm Tarbox, vice president for Administrative Services, expects that issue to be remedied.

Upon a motion from Karen Fairbanks and seconded by Louenda Downs the Board of Trustees voted unanimously to approve the quarterly investment report.

ACTION

(Real Estate Transactions)

- 2) Weber State sought to purchase two homes located between Wildcat Village and the Dee Events Center to pursue a campus corridor. The first home will be purchased under appraised value (\$190,000) and the other is to be purchased at appraised value (\$212,000). In addition, the university sought to sell a piece of property on Highway 89 near Gentile Street in Layton. The agreed sales price for the half-acre parcel is \$145,000 (appraised value). The event that would likely bring WSU to pave the corridor in Ogden would be the arrival of bus rapid transit, Tarbox said.

On a motion from Louenda Downs seconded by Karen Fairbanks, the Board of Trustees unanimously voted to approve the real estate transactions.

ACTION

(Housing Services Rates)

- 3) The recommendation is a 2 to 4 percent increase to housing cost depending upon room type as well as a 2 percent increase to the meal plan. Tarbox reported excellent occupancy in University Village, with essentially no vacancy, and Wildcat Village has occupancy of about 76 percent. The new rates would begin in the fall of

(Quarterly Athletic Report)

2016.

Upon a motion from Louenda Downs seconded by Jeff Stephens, the Board of Trustees unanimously voted to approve the rate increases.

- 4) Weber State's academic progress rate is meeting the NCAA standard and the university standard in all but a few sports. Good progress toward the graduation success rate is occurring. Tarbox stated that coaches' salaries are commensurate with others with the exception of men's basketball. A portion of salaries is in the form of a bonus that is provided at year end after a coach has committed. President Charles A. Wight also commended the leadership of Athletic Director Jerry Bovee and Associate Athletic Director Amy Crosbie.

ACTION

Upon a motion from Cash Knight and seconded by Steve Starks, the Board of Trustees voted unanimously to approve the quarterly athletic report.

(Quarterly Construction Report)

- 5) Several projects are underway, some of which are in the planning stages. Brad Mortensen, vice president of University Advancement, reported that WSU's Social Science Building was ranked No. 3 on the Board of Regents' priority list, then No. 8 on the Utah Legislature's Building Board list. The project is \$33 million.

ACTION

On a motion from Louenda Downs seconded by Heather Hales, the Board of Trustees voted unanimously to approve the quarterly construction report.

Personnel and Academic Policy Committee

IX. Personnel and Academic Policy Committee Chair Kevin Sullivan gave the following report:

(EAST Tenure and Post Tenure Review)

- 1) The College of Engineering, Applied Science and Technology proposed changes to tenure and post-tenure review documents that reflect the college's change in name and reflect online student evaluations being allowed.

(Goddard School Post-Tenure Review)

ACTION

(Personnel)

ACTION

(WSU Turnover)

Other

Executive Session

Reconvene to Public Meeting and Adjourn

2) The Goddard School of Business & Economics requested changes to its post-tenure review documents to allow for an alternative method of post-tenure reviews.

3) On a motion from Scott Parson seconded by Louenda Downs, the Board of Trustees unanimously voted to approve the changes to the EAST and Goddard School documents.

4) The Board of Trustees was asked to approve an emeritus recommendation, an honorary title for tenured and ranked professors, for Ron Deckert.

On a motion from Louenda Downs seconded by Jeff Stephens, and following a brief discussion about process, the Board of Trustees unanimously approved the emeritus recommendation.

5) Provost Madonna Miner provided a report on WSU employee turnover to trustees. Trustees discussed the report.

6) Brad Mortensen reported that the university and Board of Regents was in the process of rescheduling a legislative information meeting with trustees. Shane Farver introduced Amelia Williams, vice chair of the Staff Advisory Council.

7) Upon a motion from Jeff Stephens, seconded by Louenda Downs, and approved unanimously by roll-call vote, the meeting was adjourned to executive session for the purpose of a discussion of the character, professional competence, or physical or mental health of an individual.

X. With no formal action being required following the executive session, the meeting adjourned at 10:20 a.m.

Submitted by:



Shane Farver
Secretary, Board of Trustees



Charles A. Wight
President, Weber State University

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