

REGULAR MEETING
 UTAH STATE UNIVERSITY BOARD OF TRUSTEES
 HELD AS A CONFERENCE CALL
 June 24, 2016

Minutes of the Regular Meeting of the Utah State University Board of Trustees held as a conference call in Old Main room 136 (Champ Hall Conference Room) commencing at 9:16 a.m.

MEMBERS PARTICIPATING

Ronald W. Jibson, Chair	via telephone
Scott R. Watterson, Vice Chair	via telephone
Linda Clark Gillmor	via telephone
Mark K. Holland	via telephone
Karen H. Huntsman	via telephone
J. Scott Nixon	via telephone
Frank Peczuh, Jr.	via telephone
Lane L. Thomas	via telephone
Ashley Waddoups	via telephone

MEMBERS EXCUSED

Jody K. Burnett
 Susan D. Johnson

UNIVERSITY REPRESENTATIVES PRESENT

Stan L. Albrecht	President
Noelle E. Cockett	Executive Vice President and Provost
Amanda DeRito	Utah State University Social Media Coordinator
Mica McKinney	University Counsel
Sydney M. Peterson	Chief of Staff and Secretary to the Board of Trustees

Chair Jibson called the meeting to order.

Action: Trustee Nixon moved in accordance with 52-4-205 of the Utah Code, that the Trustees go into a closed Executive Session for the sole purpose of discussing the character, professional competence, or physical or mental health of individuals, pending or reasonably imminent litigation, and the possible sale of real property.

Chair Jibson called the meeting back to order at 10:00 a.m.

I. CHAIRMAN'S REPORT

A. Committee Assignments for Trustee Waddoups

Chair Jibson noted that Trustee Waddoups' committee assignments had been made. A copy of the committee assignments was included in the agenda (Appendix A).

B. Faculty Achievements and Activities report for 2015

Chair Jibson indicated that the Faculty Achievements and Activities report for 2015 may be accessed on the Board of Trustees webpage under this meeting's agenda:

<http://www.usu.edu/trustees/agenda/2016/>

C. Workshop on August 19, 2016, to be hosted by Trustee Johnson at Futura Industries in Clearfield, Utah

More information on the workshop will be provided in the near future.

D. Date of next meeting of the Board of Trustees

The next meeting of the Board of Trustees will be held on Friday, October 21, 2016, on the USU Campus.

II. PRESIDENT'S AGENDA

President Albrecht noted that the Trustees were provided with a list of recent and upcoming events. He shared that USU is facing many challenges; many coming from Washington D.C. regarding the issue of accreditation. Senator Lee recently introduced a bill that would eliminate regional accreditation bodies and put accreditation in the hands of individual states. Universities are also dealing with a dramatic increase of litigation. Utah State University's next comprehensive review will be spring 2017. Provost Cockett and her team are preparing for the review. The Trustees are required to be engaged in the process.

Chair Jibson extended praise to the President, administration and faculty for a wonderful commencement season. President Albrecht noted that Sydney Peterson does yeoman service and makes sure that everything is organized and goes well. Thanks in large measure to her.

A. Recent Events

1. Remarks at Alumni Hall of Honor Luncheon – April 9, 2016
2. Merlin Olsen Fund Dinner – April 9, 2016
3. Utah Campus Compact Awards Luncheon, President's Home – April 11, 2016
4. Remarks at Research Gala – April 11, 2016
5. Seely-Hinckley Scholarship Luncheon – April 12, 2016
6. Remarks at Salt Lake Chamber Giant in Our City – Salt Lake City, April 12, 2016
7. NCAA President Mark Emmert Visit to Utah State University – April 13-14, 2016
8. Present at Robins Awards – April 16, 2016
9. Remarks at Emeriti Luncheon – April 18, 2016
10. USUSA Incoming/Outgoing Officers Breakfast, President's Home – April 19, 2016
11. Aggie Passport Reception, President's Home – April 20, 2016
12. USU-Southwest Commencement – Nephi, April 21, 2016
13. Remarks at Sunrise Session – Presenter: Student IGNITE Research Presenters – Salt Lake City, April 22, 2016

14. USU-Brigham City Commencement – Brigham City, April 22, 2016
15. USU-Tooele Commencement – Tooele, April 23, 2016
16. Northwest Commission on Colleges and Universities Executive Committee Meeting – Portland, Oregon, April 25-26, 2016
17. NCAA Board of Directors Meeting – Indianapolis, Indiana – April 27-28, 2016
18. USU-Moab Commencement – Moab, April 28, 2016
19. USU-Blanding Commencement – Blanding, April 29, 2016
20. USU Eastern Commencement – Price, April 30, 2016
21. USU-Uintah Basin Commencement – Vernal, April 30, 2016
22. Council of Presidents – Salt Lake City, May 3, 2016
23. Utah Campus Compact – Salt Lake City, May 3, 2016
24. Governor’s Leadership in the Arts Awards Luncheon – Salt Lake City, May 5, 2016
25. USU Board of Trustees – May 6, 2016
26. USU Graduate Commencement and Hooding Ceremony – May 6, 2016
27. President’s Commencement Dinner – May 6, 2016
28. USU Undergraduate Commencement Ceremony – May 7, 2016

B. Upcoming Events

1. Board of Regents – Snow College, Ephraim, May 20, 2016
2. Salt Lake Chamber Board of Governors – Salt Lake City, May 24, 2016
3. Mountain West Conference Board of Directors – La Jolla, California, June 6-7, 2016
4. Welcome Remarks at Swenson House Kickoff – June 10, 2016
5. Questar Leadership Training Dinner – June 12, 2016
6. Remarks at Questar Leadership Training – June 13, 2016
7. Salt Lake Chamber Board of Governors Retreat – Salt Lake City, June 14, 2016
8. Northwest Commission on Colleges and Universities Board of Commissioners Meetings – Kirkland, Washington, June 21-23, 2016
9. USU Board of Trustees – June 24, 2016

III. CONSENT AGENDA

Trustees were given the following consent agenda material for their consideration:

1. Minutes from the Executive Session held on May 6, 2016
2. Minutes from the Regular Meeting held on May 6, 2016
Note: pulled from the Consent Agenda for a correction
3. Certificate of Treasurer – 2016-02 – February [Resolution 16-06-01] (Appendix B)
4. Certificate of Treasurer – 2016-03 – March [Resolution 16-06-02] (Appendix C)
5. Contract/Grant Proposals and Awards – 2016-04 – April [Resolution 16-06-03] (Appendix D)
6. Contract/Grant Proposals and Awards – 2016-05 – May [Resolution 16-06-04] (Appendix E)
7. Delegation/Administrative Reports – 2016-03-25 to 2016-04-22 [Resolution 16-06-05] (Appendix F)
8. Delegation/Administrative Reports – 2016-04-22 to 2016-05-20 [Resolution 16-06-06] (Appendix G)

9. Faculty and Staff Adjustments [Resolution 16-06-07] (Appendix H)
10. Report of Investments – 2016-02 – February [Resolution 16-06-08] (Appendix I)
11. Report of Investments – 2016-03 – March [Resolution 16-06-09] (Appendix J)
12. USU Policy 105.2.1(2) Athletics Council [Resolution 16-06-10] (Appendix K)
13. USU Policy 402.12.7 Faculty Evaluation Committee (FEC) [Resolution 16-06-11] (Appendix L)
14. USU Policy 405.12.3 College Faculty Appeals Committee (CFAC) [Resolution 16-06-12] (Appendix M)
15. Utah State University Research Foundation – Appointment – Dr. Jagath Kaluarachchi [Resolution 16-06-13] (Appendix N)
16. Utah State University Research Foundation – Appointment – Dr. Maura Hagan [Resolution 16-06-14] (Appendix O)

Chair Jibson asked if any items needed to be moved from the Consent Agenda for further discussion.

Trustee Nixon asked that the minutes from the Regular meeting held on May 6, 2016, be pulled from the Consent Agenda for the following correction:

Resolution 16-05-21 Student Fee and Housing Systems Revenue Bonds, Series 2016

With respect to the approval by the board for the revenue bonds to pay for the Blue Square acquisition. Trustee Nixon formally abstained from the vote due to the possibility of a perceived conflict of interest.

Action: Trustee Nixon moved the approval of the consent agenda. Trustee Gillmor seconded the motion. The voting was unanimous in the affirmative.

IV. ACTION AGENDA

- A. Design for the Interlocking Cross-Laminated Timbers – ICLT Building, a non-state funded project [Resolution 16-06-15] (Appendix P)

Vice President Cowley explained that this is not a typical building. This proposal is to approve the design phase of this non-state-funded project. The United States Forest Service has provided a grant to fund the design. The building will be located at the Kaysville Botanical Center. The building would be constructed from beetle kill wood. The goal is to make a future market for this wood.

Action: Trustee Holland moved the approval of Resolution 16-06-15, Design for the Interlocking Cross-Laminated Timbers – ICLT Building, a non-state-funded project. Trustee Huntsman seconded the motion. The voting was unanimous in the affirmative.

- B. Capital Development Priority List for Fiscal Year 2017-2018 [Resolution 16-06-16] (Appendix Q)

Vice President Cowley explained that a Capital Development Priority list of potential state-funded projects is forwarded yearly to the legislature for approval. This list is voted on by the Trustees. It is then sent to the Board of Regents and the State Building Board. This year Utah State is submitting a single request; \$25,000,000 for the Biology and Natural Resources building renovation.

Action: Trustee Thomas moved the approval of Resolution 16-06-15, the Capital Development Priority List for Fiscal Year 2017-2018. Trustee Huntsman seconded the motion. The voting was unanimous in the affirmative.

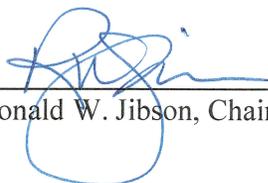
C. Utah State University 2016-2017 Budgets [Resolution 16-06-16] (Appendix Q)

Vice President Cowley summarized the Utah State University 2016-2017 budgets for the Trustees. He explained that, in general, the auxiliaries are doing well in every area. The Campus Store has faced some real challenges in the past but is doing better with a textbook rental program. Dining Services goes along with housing; housing is full for this coming year. Parking is doing fine and they are hoping to put money away for the next parking terrace. The Student Health and Wellness Center had a fee increase last year and is looking ahead to a healthy year. The Taggart Student Center is fine and the University Inn is hoping to improve next year. The biggest challenge of USU Eastern's auxiliaries is the bookstore due to volume; we are working with them to improve. Other regional campuses have decided to use the Logan bookstore. Athletics is an ongoing challenge. This year Athletics will break even with some one-time dollars coming from the NCAA. USU Eastern Athletics is predicting to break even as well.

Action: Trustee Watterson moved the approval of Resolution 16-06-16, Utah State University 2016-2017 Budgets. Trustee Huntsman seconded the motion. The voting was unanimous in the affirmative.

Action: Trustee Huntsman made a motion to adjourn the Regular Meeting. Trustee Watterson seconded the motion. The voting was unanimous in the affirmative.

The regular meeting adjourned at 10:37 a.m.



Ronald W. Jibson, Chair

October 21, 2016

Date Approved

Sydney M. Peterson, Secretary
(Minutes taken by Carolyn Brittain)

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