

REGULAR MEETING
UTAH STATE UNIVERSITY BOARD OF TRUSTEES
JANUARY 6, 2012

Minutes of the Regular Meeting of the Utah State University Board of Trustees held in the Alma Sonne Board Room of the University Inn at 10:10 a.m.

MEMBERS PRESENT

Ronald W. Jibson Chair
Jody K. Burnett
Robert L. Foley
Douglas S. Foxley
Mark K. Holland
Susan D. Johnson
Erik D. Mikkelsen
J. Scott Nixon
Frank Peczuh, Jr.
Suzanne Pierce-Moore

TRUSTEE EXCUSED

Scott R. Watterson Vice Chair

UNIVERSITY REPRESENTATIVES PRESENT

Stan L. Albrecht	President
Raymond T. Coward	Executive Vice President and Provost
Noelle Cockett	Vice President and Dean of Extension and Agriculture
David T. Cowley	Vice President for Business and Finance
Annette Herman Harder	Chief Operating Officer for University Advancement
James D. Morales	Vice President for Student Services
Douglas Anderson	Jon M. Huntsman School of Business
Neil Abercrombie	Director for Federal and State Relations
Jodi Bailey	Chief Audit Executive
Heng Ban	Associate Professor, Mechanical and Aerospace Engineering
Scott Barnes	Director of Athletics
Kurt Becker	Head of the Department of Engineering and Technology Education
Jeff Broadbent	Associate Vice President for Research
Edmund (Butch) Brodie	Interim Head of the Department of Biology
David Clark	Director of Business Development for Commercialization and Regional Development

Bradford J. Hall	Head of the Department of Languages, Philosophy and Speech Communication
Christine Hailey	Senior Associate Dean of the College of Engineering
Paul Jakus	Head of the Department of Applied Economics
Bill Jensen, Jr.	Vice President of the Professional Employees Association
Craig Jessop	Dean of the Caine College of the Arts
Michelle Larson	Vice Provost
Timothy Ledna	Residence Director, Living Learning Community Office
Michael Lefevre	Scientific Director, USTAR Professor
Chris Luecke	Interim Dean of the College of Natural Resources
Glenn McEvoy	President of the Faculty Senate
Joe Peterson	Chancellor, USU-CEU
Sydney M. Peterson	Chief of Staff and Board of Trustees Secretary
Laurens Smith	Executive Senior Vice Provost
Kenneth Snyder	Executive Dean and Chief Administrative Officer, Jon M. Huntsman School of Business
Mira G. Thatcher	Secretary
Tim Vitale	Interim Executive Director of Public Relations and Marketing
Byard Wood	Head of the Department of Mechanical and Aerospace Engineering

OTHERS PRESENT

John Branson	Architect, GSBS, Salt Lake City
Jed H. Pitcher	Utah State Board of Regents
Mark Reddington	Architect, LMN, Seattle
Betty Rich	Grandmother of Chelsie Womack
Michael Stransky	Architect, GSBS, Salt Lake City
Teresa Theurer	Utah State Board of Regents
Chelsie Womack	Recipient of Student Resolution of Commendation
Chloe Womack	Sister of Chelsie Womack
Jeff Womack	Father of Chelsie Womack
Suzanne Womack	Mother of Chelsie Womack

MEMBERS OF THE MEDIA PRESENT

Rachel Christensen	<i>The Cache Valley Daily</i>
Kevin Opshal	<i>The Herald Journal</i>

Chair Jibson conducted the meeting. He welcomed those present including Regents Jed Pitcher and Teresa Theurer, and faculty and staff representatives.

I. Chair's Report

A. Recognition of Trustee Susan D. Johnson

Chair Jibson noted that Trustee Susan Johnson was on the cover of the *Utah Business Magazine* dated December 2011. She was recognized as the leader of one of the 25 best companies to work for in Utah.

B. Congratulations for USU Sports Program

Chair Jibson extended congratulations to President Albrecht and Director Barnes for a fantastic year in sports. He stated that the events held in Boise, Idaho, in December in conjunction with the Potato Bowl were outstanding and professional. He said USU was well represented by the football team, even though they lost in the last few seconds of the game. People came together to show pride for USU. Annette Herman Harder said approximately 2,500 attended pre-game events.

C. ASUSU Report

Trustee Mikkelsen reported on the following (see Appendix FF):

- Funding for the Aggie Recreation Center and Student Legacy Fields will require additional student fees. Students will vote on the initiative the end of February.
- The ASUSU constitution is being updated to create a Regional Campus Distance Education Executive Council which will oversee student governments on the Regional Campuses.
- The ASUSU constitution update will include the structure and implementation of a Regional Campus Distance Education Fee Board which will administer all fees on Regional Campuses in the same manner that fees are administered on the Logan campus.
- Internship credit will be earned by students who volunteer a specific number of hours per week and attend lectures.
- Experiential Leadership courses will be offered to student officers to teach leadership principles.
- ASUSU programming has had an extremely successful year. Events, both large and small, have been well-attended.
- The Public Relations Committee has started a “get involved” campaign using signage, campus displays, and e-mail to help get students more involved in campus activities.

D. Alumni Association Report

Trustee Burnett reported on the following:

- Alumni Relations conducted surveys during 2011 to determine how best to support the University Advancement process, particularly focusing on young

alumni. A strategic plan has been developed and approved that will guide future efforts. Alumni Chapters will no longer have officers, but representatives who will work with Alumni Relations on events. The program will be implemented by July 1.

Director of Athletics, Scott Barnes, stated that the pre-game events in Boise were impressive, and he thanked the Alumni Association. Trustee Burnett credited Patty Halafia for the success of the events.

E. Report on the Audit Committee Meeting Held January 6, 2012

The Audit Committee approved the minutes of the meeting held on November 4, 2011 (Appendix A). Audit Committee Chair, Robert Foley, reported that the Committee received the annual report of Internal Audit activities and plans for the coming year from Chief Executive Auditor Bailey. More than 50 internal audit reports were received by the Audit Committee throughout last year. He said Jodi Bailey's report was in depth and excellent.

On January 19, the USU Board of Trustees Audit Committee will give an annual report to the Board of Regents Audit Committee. The Committee reviewed and approved the written portion of the report and discussed the oral report that will be given at that time.

The Audit Committee also received a report from Vice President Cowley on the four External Audit reports and Management Letters which will be considered by the full Board (see Appendix M). They received an oral update on the NCAA Audit report which is will be issued by the State Auditor's Office.

F. Date of the Next Board of Trustees Meeting

The next Board of Trustees meeting will be held on Friday, March 2, 2012, at the USU campus.

G. Founders Day Celebration, March 2, 2012, and Celebration of the Completion of the Comprehensive Campaign

President Albrecht stated that USU is planning two major celebrations in 2012. One is the 150th anniversary of the Morrill Act which will be held March 2 in conjunction with Founders Day. Another event will be held this fall to celebrate the completion of the comprehensive campaign. He said he hoped the Trustees will plan to attend both events.

II. President's Report

A. Student Resolution of Commendation for Chelsie Womack

Trustees Mikkelsen read the Student Resolution of Commendation for Chelsie Womack, a junior in the Emma Eccles Jones College of Education and Human Services (Appendix B).

B. Recent Events

1. Men's Basketball – Adams State, November 5, 2011
2. Regents Legislative Preview Lunch, November 7, 2011
3. K-16 Alliance, November 8, 2011
4. Council of Presidents, November 8, 2011
5. Regents Resource and Review, November 10, 2011
6. Men's Basketball – BYU, November 11, 2011
7. Alumni Hall of Honor Induction, November 12, 2011
8. Football – San Jose State, November 12, 2011
9. Association of Public Land-Grant Universities (APLU) Annual Meetings, November 12-16, 2011
10. Board of Regents at Utah Valley University, November 18, 2011
11. Men's Basketball – Southern Utah University, November 19, 2011
12. Salt Lake Chamber Board of Governors, November, 22, 2011
13. Governor's Education in Excellence Commission, November 22, 2011
14. Women's Basketball – UC Riverside, November 25, 2011
15. Football – Nevada, November 26, 2011
16. Men's Basketball – Denver, November 30, 2011
17. Institute of Government and Politics Advisory (IOGP) Board Meeting, December 2, 2011
18. American Festival Chorus Christmas Concert and Reception, December 3, 2011
19. Men's Basketball – Utah Valley University, December 6, 2011
20. Aggie Passport Reception, December 7, 2011
21. Regence BlueCross BlueShield Board Meeting, December 8, 2011
22. Governor's Education Excellence Commission, December 13, 2011
23. Women's Basketball – BYU, December 17, 2011
24. Men's Basketball – Seattle University, December 17, 2011
25. Football – Idaho Potato Bowl in Boise, Idaho, December 17, 2011
26. Women's Basketball – Northern Arizona, December 19, 2011
27. Men's Basketball – University of Texas Arlington, December 20, 2011
28. Men's Basketball – Saint Peter's, December 21, 2011
29. Men's Basketball – Kent State, December 22, 2011
30. Women's Basketball – Asbury, January 3, 2012
31. Men's Basketball – Fresno State, January 5, 2012
32. USU Board of Trustees, January 6, 2012

C. Upcoming Events

1. Women's Basketball – Utah Valley, January 7, 2012
2. President's Pre-Game Reception, January 7, 2012
3. Men's Basketball – Nevada, January 7, 2012
4. Governor's Education Excellence Commission, January 9, 2012
5. Council of Presidents, January 10, 2012
6. Inaugural Professor Lecture, Eugene Schupp, January 10, 2012
7. Board of Regents at University of Utah, January 11, 2012
8. NWCCU Meetings in Washington, January 11-13, 2012
9. NCAA Division I Board of Directors in Indiana, January 13-14, 2012
10. RCDE Advisory Board Meeting, January 17, 2012
11. Inaugural Professor Lecture, Arthur Caplan, January 18, 2012
12. Women's Basketball – Fresno State, January 19, 2012
13. Wasatch Front Alumni Reception to Launch Legislative Session, January 19, 2012
14. Sunrise Session - Randy Lewis, January 20, 2012
15. Legislative Session Begins, January 23, 2012
16. Salt Lake Chamber Governing Board, January 24, 2012
17. Jim Cangelosi, Carnegie Professor Reception, January 24, 2012
18. Inaugural Professor Lecture, Douglas Jackson-Smith, January 25, 2012
19. Men's Basketball – Hawaii, January 26, 2012
20. Swaner/Art Department Event in Park City, January 27, 2012
21. Men's Basketball – San Jose State, January 28, 2012
22. Inaugural Professor Lecture, Kathy Piercy, February 8, 2012
23. Women's Basketball – Louisiana Tech, February 9, 2012
24. Men's Basketball – New Mexico State, February 11, 2012
25. Women's Basketball – New Mexico State, February 11, 2012
26. Inaugural Professor Lecture, Anthony Peacock, February 13, 2012
27. Inaugural Professor Lecture, Michelle Baker, February 16, 2012
28. Governor's Education Excellence Committee Meeting, February 21, 2012
29. Inaugural Professor Lecture, Phaedra Budy, February 22, 2012
30. Inaugural Professor Lecture, Lisa Berreau, February 23, 2012
31. Men's Basketball - Idaho, February 24, 2012
32. Women's Basketball - Idaho, February 25, 2012
33. Salt Lake Chamber Governing Board, February 28, 2012
34. Women's Basketball – Hawaii, March 1, 2012
35. USU Board of Trustees, March 2, 2012
36. Founders Day, March 2, 2012
37. Women's Basketball – San Jose State, March 3, 2012

III. Strategic Agenda – Capital Development Projects

President Albrecht stated that through difficult economic times, USU has maintained momentum in faculty hires, student enrollment, the comprehensive campaign, and also in changing the face of campus. He said upcoming building projects support teaching and research, the Athletics program, and the students.

A. Huntsman Hall – Business Building Addition

Douglas Anderson, Dean of the College of Business, introduced John Branson and Michael Stransky, Architects with GSBS, Salt Lake City; Mark Reddington, Architect with LMN, Seattle; and Executive Dean Ken Snyder, who is leading the building project.

Dean Anderson indicated that despite tremendous growth over the years in the College of Business, there has not been an expansion of facilities since 1970. The new buildings will be dedicated to expanding teaching opportunities. He said this is a once in a generation opportunity to participate in expanding the college. The Legislature funded \$14 million for the project, and \$16 million in pledges were secured from donors prior to going to the Legislature. Additional funding will be sought while planning for the new building continues.

Dean Anderson said the architects have been working with Executive Dean Snyder, the Facilities Office, and others on campus to evaluate the needs, examine academic programs, plan for growth, and to consider costs and physical characteristics of the present building and the campus. The proposed new Huntsman Hall is designed so that the existing Eccles Building and the new building will each function as a stand-alone building, but at the same time work together as an integrated Business Building complex. The new building will link into the core campus and also make an edge to the campus in one singular gesture.

Mr. Reddington reviewed the plans for the new Huntsman Hall (see Appendix C). He discussed infrastructure, classrooms, computer labs, breakout and meeting rooms, interaction spaces, academic departments, program offices, administrative offices, and space for future classrooms. He reviewed the site analysis and access to campus, and the concept design of the beautiful curved building on the edge of campus.

Dean Anderson indicated that the construction process will take approximately two years, and is projected to be completed by the summer of 2014. President Albrecht explained the sequence necessary prior to beginning construction on Huntsman Hall: the Agriculture Building must be completed (projected date of completion is February 2011); Journalism/Communication will move out of the Animal Science Building into the new Agriculture building; the Animal Science building will be renovated; and units housed in Lund Hall will move into the Animal Science building prior to demolition of Lund Hall.

Chair Jibson complimented the beautiful design proposed for Huntsman Hall and said it will be a huge addition to campus.

B. Strength and Conditioning Center/Basketball Practice Facility/Basketball Scoreboard/Seats in the Spectrum

A presentation was shown to the Trustees concerning Strength and the Conditioning Center and the Basketball Practice Facility (Appendix D).

1. Strength and Conditioning Center

Scott Barnes, Director of Athletics, said the Strength and Conditioning project has been needed for a long time. A \$4.5 million gift has been secured from an anonymous donor, which is the largest gift in the history of Athletics. Additional funding of \$1.7 million is needed to meet the \$6.2 million budget required. Director Barnes said the project will be completely paid by private funding and we will need to provide a budget for continuing operation and maintenance. The project will take approximately 14 months, and will open by the summer of 2013.

The new facility will be located west of the Stan Laub Training complex and will be 18,000 to 20,000 square feet. It will house strength, conditioning, and cardio facilities and staff offices as well as an Aggie apparel operation in partnership with the Bookstore. A ticket booth will be located to the west with a better office and hopefully help to create more customer-friendly service.

Director Barnes stated that the current facility is only 5,000 square feet. There are approximately 400 student athletes, and facilities are scheduled from 6 a.m. until late into the night. The new facilities will better meet the needs of student athletes and be conducive to their success in the classroom and on the field. They can train at reasonable hours and more than 100 athletes can train at a time. The new facility will also help in recruiting the best and brightest student athletes.

Director Barnes showed a comparison of strength and conditioning facilities with eight WAC institutions. The new facility at USU will meet current and future needs and surpass the facilities at other institutions.

2. Basketball Practice/Volleyball Competition Facility

Director Barnes stated that plans are also underway for a Basketball (men's and women's) Practice/Volleyball Competition Facility at a cost of \$7 million. The basketball team currently practices at Logan High School. Four sites are being considered for the new facility. It will include two full courts for men's and women's basketball, an indoor volleyball field, and offices for basketball and volleyball staff. This facility will also help recruiting efforts.

Volleyball and some women's basketball games will be played in the facility. The lobby will celebrate USU's heritage in basketball and volleyball. Director Barnes reported that a \$5 million gift has been secured for the building.

3. Basketball Scoreboard

Replacement of the basketball scoreboard in the Spectrum is at the top of the list for replacement. The scoreboard is not working properly, and parts are no longer available for repair. The current scoreboard will be used for the remainder of this year, and a new scoreboard will be installed for next season at a cost of between \$1.5 million and \$1.8 million.

4. Seats in the Spectrum

In response to Trustee Foxley's question about the need for new seats in the Spectrum, Director Barnes indicated that the seats are 25 years old, and are also on the list for replacement.

C. Aggie Recreation Center/Student Legacy Fields

James Morales, Vice President for Student Services, and Erik Mikkelsen, President of ASUSU, discussed the Aggie Recreation Center/Aggie Legacy Fields (Appendix E). They distributed a brochure prepared for students concerning the Aggie Recreation Center and Aggie Legacy Fields (Appendix F). Vice President Morales stated that these are important projects because student recruiting is competitive and students measure available facilities against competitors' facilities. Student recreation facilities at USU are outdated and do not meet student demand.

Trustee Mikkelsen reported that usage of the Nelson Field House increased 44% from spring 2008 to spring 2011. Usage increased 53% from fall 2008 to fall 2011. He stated that facilities at the Nelson Field House are also outdated.

The number of intramural teams increased from 430 in 2007 to 497 in 2010. There were 36 teams unable to play in fall 2011 due to lack of playing fields.

Many peer institutions have invested in recreational facilities in the last ten years. USU requested funding ten years ago, but it was not supported by the Legislature.

1. Aggie Legacy Fields

The location of the proposed Aggie Legacy Fields will be directly south of the Spectrum. It will include 250,000 square feet of turf, a regulation collegiate soccer field, two regulation flag football fields, two regulation softball fields, a one-third mile jogging path, and energy-efficient lighting. Artificial turf can be cleared of snow so students can play in the winter, and the lighting allows for playing late at night.

2. Aggie Recreation Center

Visits were made to approximately 12 institutions to see their recreation facilities. It has been determined that the Aggie Recreation Center (ARC) at USU, if approved, will be a mixture of recreation and wellness. The building will house the Health and Wellness Center which is currently near the Stadium. It will also house the Outdoor Recreation Program where outdoor equipment can be rented.

The ARC will be located west of the Health and Physical Education building on 800 East. A climbing wall will be located on the exterior of the building. The facility will have a climbing wall in the entry, a pool and spa area, basketball and volleyball courts, a running track, and a café and lounge.

The benefits include: improved playing conditions and recreation space; reduced stress and improved physical and emotional well-being; a more inviting campus community; additional space for University events and new recreational activities; and opportunities for revenue generated through camps, rentals, and special programs.

The administration will fund approximately half of the cost of the Aggie Legacy Fields. Beginning fall 2012, students will pay a fee of approximately \$30 per semester toward the cost of the Aggie Legacy Fields. When the ARC opens in fall 2015, the student fee will increase to approximately \$75. Private donors will be sought to help decrease student charges. Students will vote on the projects from February 27 to March 1.

Director Barnes indicated that these projects will not interfere with the projects Athletics is proposing

IV. Consent Agenda

Minutes of the Executive Session Held on November 4, 2011

Minutes of the Regular Meeting Held on November 4, 2011

Resolution 12-1-1 Faculty and Staff Adjustments (Appendix G)

Resolution 12-1-2 Certificate of the Treasurer for September 2011 (Appendix H)

Resolution 12-1-3 Certificate of the Treasurer for October 2011 (Appendix I)

Resolution 12-1-4 Report of Investments for September 2011 (Appendix J)

Resolution 12-1-5 Report of Investments for October 2011 (Appendix K)

Resolution 12-1-6 Delegation/Administrative Reports for October 7, 2011 to November 18, 2011 (Appendix L)

Resolution 12-1-7 Review and Approval of the External Audit Report (Appendix M)

Resolution 12-1-8 Contract/Grant Proposals and Awards for October 2011 (Appendix N)

Resolution 12-1-9 Amendments to the Utah State University Policy Manual, Section 103.6 – Extension Teaching and Service (Appendix O)

Resolution 12-1-10 Amendments to the Utah State University Policy Manual, Section 405.7.2, 405.8.3, and 403.3.2 – Tenured and Term Appointments: Evaluation, Promotion and Retention (Appendix P)

Resolution 12-1-11 Honorary Degrees and Commencement speaker for 2012 (Appendix Q)

Acceptance of the following reports:

Academic/Provost (Appendix R)

Faculty and Staff Activities and Achievements (a complete list is on the web page at <http://www.usu.edu/trustees/agenda/2012>)

Business and Finance (Appendix S)

Extension/Continuing Education (Appendix T)

Federal and State Relations (Appendix U)

Research (Appendix V)

Commercialization and Regional Development (Appendix W)

Student Services (Appendix X)

Utah Conservation Corps 2010 Annual Report (Appendix Y)

University Advancement (Appendix Z)

Campaign Impact Report (Appendix AA)

Monthly Progress Report (Appendix BB)

Monthly Gift Comparison (Appendix CC)

USU-CEU (Appendix DD)

Alumni Relations (Appendix EE)

ASUSU (Appendix FF)

Athletics (Appendix GG)

Public Relations and Marketing (Appendix HH)

Faculty Senate (Appendix II)

Professional Employees Association (Appendix JJ)

Classified Employee Association (Appendix KK)

Executive Session to be held on March 2, 2012, to discuss those items which are permitted by law to be discussed in Executive Session.

Action: Trustee Foley moved approval of the Consent Agenda with a correction to the minutes, and Trustee Holland seconded the motion. The voting was unanimous in the affirmative.

V. Action Agenda

Provost Coward stated that the proposed items for action were reviewed and approved by the Educational Policies Committee and the Faculty Senate prior to coming to the Board of Trustees for consideration.

A. Proposal to Remove the “Aquatic Ecology” Specialization from the MS and PhD Degrees in Fisheries Biology, College of Natural Resources

Vice Provost Larson stated that the proposal to remove the Aquatic Ecology specialization from graduate programs in Fisheries Biology in the College of Natural Resources is because it was duplicated under two different graduate programs (Appendix LL).

(See action below.)

B. Proposal to Change the Name of the Speech Communication Major to Communication Studies, and Change the Name of the Department of Languages, Philosophy and Speech Communication to the Department of Languages, Philosophy and Communication Studies, College of Humanities and Social Sciences

Vice Provost Larson stated that the change of name from Speech Communication Major to Communication Studies is proposed in order to be in line with what is best practice in the nation (Appendix MM). It more accurately represents the expertise of faculty and what is offered in the curriculum. The proposal also requests changing the name of the Department of Languages, Philosophy and Speech Communication to the Department of Languages, Philosophy and Communication Studies.

Trustee Mikkelsen indicated that, as a student in that major, he received an email listing proposed names to better identify the program, and students were able to give their input. He expressed appreciation to Bradford Hall, Head of the Department, for giving students in the program an opportunity to be heard.

(See action below.)

C. Proposal to Change the Name of the Master of Food Microbiology and Safety to Master of Food Safety and Quality, Department of Nutrition, Dietetics, and Food Sciences, College of Agriculture

Vice Provost Larson stated that the proposed name change of the Master of Food Microbiology and Safety to Master of Food Safety and Quality is to better reflect what is taught in that program (Appendix NN).

Vice President Cockett stated that the requested name change is the result of employer feedback. Students who had graduated with the degree and were seeking employment found it necessary to explain what they had been taught in that degree. The quality issues were a concern. It was assumed that they knew microbiology if they were going to work in food safety. The proposed name is consistent with peer universities.

Action: Trustee Burnett moved approval of Resolution 12-1-12 the proposal to remove the “Aquatic Ecology” Specialization from the MS and PhD Degrees in Fisheries Biology, College of Natural Resources (Appendix LL); Resolution 12-1-13 the proposal to change the name of the Speech Communication Major to Communication Studies, and change the name of the Department of Languages, Philosophy and Speech Communica-

tion to the Department of Languages, Philosophy and Communication Studies, College of Humanities and Social Sciences (Appendix MM); and Resolution 12-1-14 the proposal to change the name of the Master of Food Microbiology and Safety to Master of Food Safety and Quality, Department of Nutrition, Dietetics, and Food Sciences, College of Agriculture (Appendix NN). Trustee Johnson seconded the motion, and the voting was unanimous in the affirmative.

D. Proposal to Create the *Center for Human Nutrition Studies*, Utah Science Technology and Research Initiative (USTAR) Applied Nutrition Research Team in Partnership with the College of Agriculture

Vice Provost Larson explained that the proposal to create the *Center for Human Nutrition Studies* is the result of a USTAR program collaborating with the College of Agriculture to keep the academic connection (Appendix OO).

(See action below.)

E. Proposal to Establish the *Nuclear Engineering Research Center*, College of Engineering

Vice Provost Larson indicated that the proposal to establish the *Nuclear Engineering Research Center* in the Department of Mechanical and Aerospace Engineering is to capitalize on research efforts of the engineers on the faculty (Appendix PP). The proposal to form a center will increase the visibility of those efforts and increase partnership possibilities by having an organized center to collaborate with others on writing proposals. It will also help students know what activities are taking place.

Byard Wood, Head of the Department of Mechanical and Aerospace Engineering, stated that this center will provide increased visibility. The department has a good relationship with the Idaho National Laboratory (INL). There are approximately six students currently getting their degree at USU while doing their research at INL. Professor Ban and others in the department are collaborating at INL. In the nuclear engineering industry, almost half of the engineers employed are mechanical engineers. The focus is on heating the nuclear reactor and designing the components that can take that heat. It is a good fit for the fundamental research in the Department of Mechanical and Aerospace Engineering.

Trustee Foley asked if additional funding is required in order to create a center. Dr. Wood stated that in this case, it is a matter of combining all the pieces already in place under an umbrella name to bring more visibility and accountability in terms of how we report and how we represent ourselves to the outside world.

Vice Provost Larson said the faculty in this area are bringing in competitive research dollars. They are meeting the financial need through competitive research awards that have been secured.

Provost Coward indicated that both of the proposed centers are research-oriented centers, so there is no official curriculum. Many graduate students and post doctoral fellows will work in these centers

There was some discussion about whether there is current need in the area of nuclear engineering. Dr. Wood stated that in the past 20 years, some institutions cut their nuclear programs, but in the last five years, many institutions started adding the programs back. That area is one of the fastest growing programs in research in undergraduate education.

Dr. Wood stated that the average starting salary for new university graduates is \$50,000 to \$60,000. Students who graduate in the nuclear area are receiving a starting salary of \$80,000 to \$90,000.

Dr. Wood stated that Professor Ban joined USU in January 2007, and has received many credits in those five years. He said the program is on a fast track for high visibility for quality research.

Action: Trustee Holland moved to approve Resolution 12-1-15 the proposal to create the *Center for Human Nutrition Studies*, Utah Science Technology and Research Initiative (USTAR) Applied Nutrition Research Team in Partnership with the College of Agriculture (Appendix OO); and Resolution 12-1-16 the proposal to establish the *Nuclear Engineering Research Center*, College of Engineering (Appendix PP). Trustee Foley seconded the motion. The voting was unanimous in the affirmative.

F. Proposal to Restructure the Department of Engineering and Technology Education (ETE), College of Agriculture and College of Engineering

Vice Provost Larson said the School of Applied Sciences, Technology and Education was created in the College of Agriculture, and this is the next step in placing programs in the new administrative structure (Appendix QQ). The Department of Engineering and Technical Education will be separated and the technical education, including aviation programs, will move into the new School of Applied Sciences, Technology and Education in the College of Agriculture. The name of the Department of Engineering and Technology Education will change to the Department of Engineering Education and remain in the College of Engineering. USU is one of only three programs in the country to offer a PhD in Engineering Education.

Chancellor Peterson indicated that this is an important move. It organizes the major portion of the former College of Eastern Utah. It sets up material alliances that have been in place and establishes the ground work for moving forward.

Christine Hailey, Senior Associate Dean of the College of Engineering, said that the Department of Engineering Education will remain in the College of Engineering. That is the home of faculty who teach the first two years of engineering, and is also where the faculty at USU-CEU house the teaching engineering program. She said

USU provides the first two years of engineering to the entire state through this Engineering Education program through regional campuses. Regional campuses at Brigham City, Tooele, and the Uintah Basin have faculty who teach pre-engineering.

In response to a question from Trustee Foxley concerning the name USU-CEU, Chancellor Peterson explained that the official name is USU-CEU, but people in the area often use the shorter version of USU-Eastern – or Eastern. Sydney Peterson stated that this is not a name imposed on USU-CEU, but individuals in the community have shortened the name. Trustee Peczuh added that Eastern has long been used by individuals in the Price area.

Action: Trustee Foley moved approval of Resolution 12-1-17 the proposal to restructure the Department of Engineering and Technology Education (ETE), College of Agriculture and College of Engineering (Appendix QQ), and Trustee Pierce-Moore seconded the motion. The voting was unanimous in the affirmative.

G. Proposal to Offer a Bachelor of Science in Environmental and Natural Resource Economics, Department of Applied Economics (APEC), College of Agriculture, Effective Fall 2012

Vice Provost Larson stated that the new Bachelor of Science in Environmental and Natural Resource Economics will be offered by the Department of Economics in the College of Agriculture in collaboration with the College of Natural Resources (Appendix RR). Students will take some programs in the College of Natural Resources and receive a degree in Environmental and Natural Resources Economics.

Action: Trustee Foxley moved approval of Resolution 12-1-18 the proposal to offer a Bachelor of Science in Environmental and Natural Resource Economics, Department of Applied Economics (APEC), College of Agriculture, effective Fall 2012 (Appendix RR). Trustee Burnett seconded the motion, and the voting was unanimous in the affirmative.

H. Proposal to Offer a Master of Science in International Food and Agribusiness (MS-IFAB), Department of Applied Economics (APEC), College of Agriculture, Effective Fall 2012

Vice Provost Larson stated that the Master of Science in International Food and Agribusiness will allow students to receive their degree from USU rather than from the Royal Agricultural College (RAC) near London, England (Appendix SS). She explained that the jointly offered program has been in place for over a decade, and that RAC teaches some courses and USU teaches some courses. In the past, when the Department was not part of the College of Agriculture, the degree was issued from RAC. This proposed change will allow students to earn a USU degree.

Provost Coward said this is program has been in place since 1999, and we are pleased with the program. Some very accomplished graduates of the Department of Economics have gone on to do great things.

Action: Trustee Mikkelsen moved approval of Resolution 12-1-19 the proposal to offer a Master of Science in International Food and Agribusiness (MS-IFAB), Department of Applied Economics (APEC), College of Agriculture, effective Fall 2012 (Appendix SS). Trustee Peczuh seconded the motion, and the voting was unanimous in the affirmative.

I. Proposal to Offer a Bachelor of Arts in Art History, Department of Art and Design, Caine College of the Arts

Vice Provost Larson said there is strength in the faculty who teach Art History in the new Department of Art and Design (Appendix TT). Students who graduate with a Bachelor of Arts in Art History will have good job opportunities. This degree is an opportunity to allow students visibility for their training and a degree in Art History.

Action: Trustee Foxley moved approval of Resolution 12-1-20 the proposal to offer a Bachelor of Arts in Art History, Department of Art and Design, Caine College of the Arts (Appendix TT), and Trustee Nixon seconded the motion. The voting was unanimous in the affirmative.

Action: Trustee Foley made a motion to adjourn the Regular Meeting, and Trustee Nixon seconded the motion. The voting was unanimous in the affirmative.

Action: Trustee Pierce-Moore made a motion to reconvene Executive Session to discuss personnel items. Trustee Foley seconded the motion, and the voting was unanimous in the affirmative.

The Regular meeting adjourned 11:50 a.m.

Ronald W. Jibson, Chairman

Sydney M. Peterson, Secretary
(Minutes Taken by Mira G. Thatcher)

Date Approved