

REGULAR MEETING
UTAH STATE UNIVERSITY BOARD OF TRUSTEES
HELD AS A CONFERENCE CALL
JUNE 21, 2013

Minutes of the Regular Meeting of the Utah State University Board of Trustees, 10:00 a.m.

MEMBERS PRESENT

Ronald J. Jibson	Chair (by telephone)
Scott R. Watterson	Vice-Chair (by telephone)
Jody K. Burnett	by telephone
Douglas K. Fiefia	
Robert L. Foley	by telephone
J. Scott Nixon	by telephone
Frank Peczuh, Jr.	by telephone

MEMBERS EXCUSED

Mark K. Holland
Susan D. Johnson
Suzanne Pierce-Moore

UNIVERSITY REPRESENTATIVE PRESENT

Stan L. Albrecht	President
Raymond T. Coward	Executive Vice President and Provost
Robert T. Behunin	Vice President for Advancement and Commercialization
David T. Cowley	Vice President for Business and Finance
Neil Abercrombie	Director of Federal and State Relations (by telephone)
Scot M. Allgood	Department Head, Family Consumer and Human Development
James M. Bankhead	Department Head, Music
Keith Christensen	Associate Professor, Landscape, Architecture and Environmental Planning
Dennis G. Dolny	Department Head, Health, Physical Education and Recreation
Renee Galliher	President of the Faculty Senate
Robert S. Inouye	Associate Vice President for Research and Associate Dean of Graduate Studies
Bruce E. Miller	Department Head, Applied Sciences, Technology and Education
Nicholas E. Morrison	Associate Dean, Caine College of the Arts
Eric Olsen	Associate Vice President, Student Services
Sydney M. Peterson	Chief of Staff and Board of Trustees Secretary
Teri Rasmussen	Staff Assistant
Laurens Smith	Executive Senior Vice Provost
Tim Vitale	Executive Director of Public Relations and Marketing

OTHERS PRESENT

Teresa L. Theurer Utah State Board of Regents

MEMBERS OF THE MEDIA PRESENT

Kevin Opsahl *The Herald Journal*

Chair Jibson conducted the meeting and welcomed those present including Regent Theurer, faculty and staff representatives, and members of the press.

I. Chairman's Report

A. Election of New Chair and Vice-Chair

Chair Jibson reminded the Trustees that the bylaws state that each odd numbered year the Trustees shall elect one of its members to serve as Chairman and another one to serve as Vice-chairman. They will hold the office for two years or until a successor has been chosen.

Trustee Foley nominated Trustee Jibson to serve as Chair, and Trustee Watterson to serve as Vice-chair. Trustee Burnett seconded the motion and the voting was unanimous in the affirmative.

Chair Jibson thanked Trustee Foley for the nomination and said he would do his best as he and Trustee Watterson represent the Board and fulfill their responsibilities. He added what a pleasure it is to work with the Board and those within the University.

B. Election of Executive Committee

The election of the Executive committee members was deferred until a replacement for Trustee Foley has been appointed.

C. Resolution of Commendation for Raymond T. Coward

Chair Jibson indicated that a resolution of commendation was read at an earlier event held in honor of Provost Coward (Appendix A). Chair Jibson added his appreciation for all the time and talents Provost Coward has brought to the University. Utah State is a better place because of his service. He has been a tremendous champion for the students and their achievements, a great friend to Aggie athletics and the student athletes, and has done a great job as a key member of the leadership team. The Board

recognizes there have been many tough situations he has had to deal with, in which he has shown tremendous leadership in his role as Provost. Chair Jibson mentioned the regional campus systems would not be where it is today without his efforts. All who associate with him have been the beneficiary of his knowledge, perspective, and experience as Provost. Most of all, he thanked Provost Coward for being a wonderful friend, whose friendship will be valued forever.

Other Trustees expressed similar sentiments and thanked him for his shepherding of new Trustees. Provost Coward expressed appreciation to everyone over the last seven and a half years. It has been a great opportunity to become part of the community and to understand and appreciate the potential that exists in the University. It has been a great time.

D. Date of next Board of Trustees Meeting and Workshop

The next Board of Trustees meeting will be held on Friday, August 16, 2013, in conjunction with the Trustees Workshop. The workshop will be held at the Granite Building at USU's Salt Lake City Education Center. There will also be a dinner the night before on August 15 to honor outgoing Trustees and welcome new Trustees.

E. Other

Chair Jibson mentioned that the Utah State Senate confirmed the following on June 19, 2013: Trustee Burnett has been appointed to replace Trustee Foxley, his term will expire on June 30, 2017, and Trustees Jibson and Johnson were both reappointed with their terms expiring on June 30, 2017. Chair Jibson welcomed Stephen Noel, who will be replacing Trustee Burnett as Alumni Association President beginning July 1.

Trustee Jibson announced and congratulated Trustee Fiefia on the birth of his baby girl.

II. President's Report

President Albrecht asked the Trustees to note the items on the agenda for recent and upcoming events. He briefly mentioned a letter the Trustees will receive from him outlining items for discussion for the August workshop.

A. Recent Events

1. Sunrise Session, Presenter Rob Gillies – Salt Lake City, May 10, 2013
2. Board of Regents – Weber State University, May 17, 2013
3. Emma Eccles Jones Endowed Chair Event, May 17, 2013
4. Provost Retirement Dinner, May 20, 2013

5. Regional Campus Visits – Price and Blanding, May 21-22, 2013
6. Governor’s Education Excellence Commission – Salt Lake City, May 28, 2013
7. Mountain West Board of Directors Summer Meeting – Colorado Springs, June 1-4, 2013
8. Tooele Applied Technology College Ribbon Cutting/Luncheon – Tooele, June 5, 2013
9. Regence Blue Cross Blue Shield Community Board Meeting – Salt Lake City, June 13, 2013
10. Association of Public Land-Grant Universities – COP Summer Meeting – Washington DC, June 20, 2013
11. USU Board of Trustees Meeting by Teleconference – June 21, 2013

B. Upcoming Events

1. Ground Breaking for Wayne Estes Center – June 24, 2013
2. Governor’s Education Excellence Commission – Salt Lake City, June 24, 2013
3. Northwest Commission on Colleges and Universities (NWCCU) Retreat – Seattle, Washington, June 25-28, 2013
4. Council of Presidents – Salt Lake City, July 2, 2013
5. Board of Regents Presidential Resource and Review of President Albrecht, July 11, 2013
6. Commission on International Programs Summer Meetings – Park City, July 14-17, 2013
7. Board of Regents – Cedar City, July 18-19, 2013
8. Sunrise Session, Presenter Maria Norton – Salt Lake City, August 9, 2013
9. USU Board of Trustees Workshop, August 16, 2013

III. Consent Agenda

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

- Minutes of the Executive Session held May 3, 2013
- Minutes of the Regular Meeting held on May 3, 2013
- Resolution 13-6-1 Faculty and Staff Adjustments (Appendix B)
- Resolution 13-6-2 Certificate of the Treasurer for March 2013 (Appendix C)
- Resolution 13-6-3 Report of Investments for March 2013 (Appendix D)
- Resolution 13-6-4 Delegation/Administrative Reports for April 15, 2013 to May 20, 2013 (Appendix E)
- Resolution 13-6-5 Capital Development Priority List for Fiscal Year 2014-15 (Appendix F)
- Resolution 13-6-6 Contract/Grant Proposals and Awards for April 2013 (Appendix G)
- Acceptance of Written Reports
 - Academic/Provost (Appendix O)
 - Business and Finance (Appendix P)
 - Controller’s Office
 - Facilities
 - Information Technology

Annual Reports 2012, Department of Public Safety
Extension/Continuing Education (Appendix Q)
Research (Appendix R)
Commercialization and Regional Development (Appendix S)
Student Services (Appendix T)
University Advancement (Appendix U)
 Monthly Progress Report
 Monthly Gift Comparison, FY 2012
USU Eastern (Appendix V)
ASUSU (Appendix W)
Athletics (Appendix X)
Public Relations and Marketing (Appendix Y)
Faculty Senate (Appendix Z)
Professional Employees Association (Appendix AA)
Classified Employees Association (Appendix BB)

Action: Trustee Burnett moved the approval of Consent Agenda items. Trustee Fiefia seconded the motion and the voting was unanimous in the affirmative.

IV. Action Agenda

A. Proposal to create two emphasis options, Fixed-wing and Rotorcraft (i.e., helicopter), within the undergraduate B.S. Aviation Technology – Professional Pilot Degree in the School of Applied Sciences, Technology and Education

Provost Coward indicated this proposal adds two emphasis options to the Aviation Technology program: fixed-wing and rotorcraft (Appendix H). Provost Coward reminded the Trustees that the creation of the School of Applied Sciences, Technology and Education in the College of Agriculture and Applied Sciences was meant to bring together all of the programs in this particular area. He commended Dr. Bruce Miller for the tremendous job he has done bringing them together and creating an academic environment in which each program can move forward.

Action: Trustee Burnett moved the approval for Resolution 13-6-7, the proposal to create two emphasis options, Fixed-wing and Rotorcraft (i.e., helicopter) within the undergraduate B.S. Aviation Technology – Professional Pilot Degree in the School of Applied Sciences, Technology and Education. Trustee Fiefia seconded the motion and the voting was unanimous in the affirmative.

B. Proposal to add specializations in Performance and Conducting to the Master of Music Degree

Provost Coward indicated this proposal adds two specializations to the master of music degree, one in performance and the other in conducting (Appendix I). The

degree has been in place at USU for decades, but has only had one specialization, piano pedagogy. Chair Jibson asked if adding the specializations helps USU be more consistent with peer institutions. Dr. James Bankhead indicated that USU had these specializations at one time, but they faded away. He said that in order to have a competitive, high-quality music program, we have to have a vibrant master's degree program.

Action: Trustee Foley moved the approval of Resolution 13-6-8, the proposal to add specializations in Performance and Conducting to the Master of Music Degree. Trustee Peczuh seconded the motion and the voting was unanimous in the affirmative.

C. Proposal to add a specialization titled "Pathokinesiology" to the interdisciplinary PhD in Disabilities Disciplines in the Department of Health, Physical Education and Recreation

Provost Coward reminded the Trustees that this PhD program already has a number of specializations: special education, behavior analysis, rehabilitation counseling, speech-language pathology, and disabilities studies. The proposal is to add the specialization Pathokinesiology, which is the science of human movement focusing on disabilities (Appendix J). This specialization expands the PhD program that is already one of the best in the nation with its focus on disabilities, and gives graduate students one more option when they attend USU.

Dr. Dennis Dolny added that the interdisciplinary PhD degree is very unique across the United States. As the department discussed their specialization, they felt that understanding the human movement component of persons with disabilities was an area that was lacking. He said the department has brought in new researchers and clinicians over the last year and a half that allow the expansion and complete training of the doctoral students. Trustee Nixon asked for clarification on how the department is able to offer new classes within the specialization without any additional cost. Dr. Dolny responded that it was a two-step approach: 1) hiring of two new faculty members whose expertise changed the landscape for graduate faculty. These faculty members were not hired to teach existing courses, but to expand and teach new courses, and 2) realignment of current master's degree courses into 2 credit modular courses instead of 3-4 credit survey courses. This freed up a third faculty member to focus on the proposed specialization.

Action: Trustee Burnett moved the approval of Resolution 13-6-9, the proposal to add the specialization Pathokinesiology to the interdisciplinary PhD in Disabilities in the Department of Health, Physical Education and Recreation. Trustee Foley seconded the motion and the voting was unanimous in the affirmative.

D. Program Review for the Department of Landscape Architecture and Environmental Planning (LAEP) in the College of Agriculture and Applied Sciences

Provost Coward provided the Trustees with background information about departmental reviews. The reviews are mandated by the Utah System of Higher Education to be done every seven years. The Regents have recently empowered the Trustees with the responsibility to approve departmental reviews. After the Trustees give their approval, the review goes to the Regents as an information item. He added that there are two different kinds of departmental reviews, internal reviews and external reviews which are done as part of the accreditation process.

Provost Coward indicated that the program review for the Department of Landscape Architecture and Environmental Planning (LAEP) was done by an accrediting agency (Appendix K). That review includes a site visit, followed by an 8-10 month process where the accrediting agency goes through their review, which includes interactions with colleagues at the University. After the review was received from the accreditation agency, the department discussed the review and how they can move forward to ensure that the program continues at the quality that has been expected over the years.

Dr. Keith Christensen added that LAEP is in a wonderful position. The program is approaching its 75-year anniversary and they have been able to continue by making changes to keep the program moving forward. Regent Theurer asked how the department felt about the recommendations from the accrediting agency? Dr. Christensen said the department was pleased with the recommendations of the review. It was very complimentary and they agreed with the suggestions that were given.

Provost Coward indicated that after the recommendation is received, there are a series of meetings that take place between the department head, the dean and provost's office to decide whether or not the resources are available to move forward. It does take a lot of time and effort, but is an opportunity for the department, the college, and the University to get on the same page about the future of the program and moving forward together.

Action: Trustee Burnett moved the approval of Resolution 13-6-10, the acceptance of the Program Review for the Department of Landscape Architecture and Environmental Planning (LAEP) in the College of Agriculture and Applied Sciences. Trustee Peczuh seconded the motion and the voting was unanimous in the affirmative.

E. Program Review for the Department of Family Consumer and Human Development in the Emma Eccles Jones College of Education and Human Services

Provost Coward indicated this program review was an internal review (Appendix L). Dr. Scot Allgood communicated a few points of interest about the program: 1)

undergraduate students are required to take a six hour practicum experience. Last year that translated into 38,000 hours of community service, ranging across 13 states and six countries, 2) the Master's in Family Therapy program is one of the top-rated programs in the country, and 3) the department was able to give out approximately \$100,000 in scholarship funds this past spring.

Dr. Allgood said the department used the review to make some changes: they added online advising, which has made it much easier for the students, and they completed a significant curriculum revision which resulted in students being able to graduate a semester earlier and increased the number of graduate students by 20%.

Action: Trustee Nixon moved the approval of Resolution 13-6-11, the acceptance of the Program Review for the Department of Family Consumer and Human Development in the Emma Eccles Jones College of Education and Human Services. Trustee Foley seconded the motion and the voting was unanimous in the affirmative.

F. Issuance of Student Building Fee Revenue Bonds, Series 2013

Vice President Cowley indicated he is seeking Trustee approval for the issuance of revenue bonds for the Aggie Life and Wellness Center and the Wayne Estes Athletic Center. Procedurally, both projects have been through the entire approval process, including approval from Trustees and Regents, legislative approval and legislative bonding authorization. Chapman and Cutler is the bond counsel that has been appointed. The summary sheet in the agenda (Appendix M) gives information about the parameters under which the bonds will be issued. The resolution for the issuance of bonds will be presented to the Board of Regents on July 19. After receiving the approval of the Regents, Vice President Cowley expects to sell the bonds on August 1.

Trustee Burnett asked when the anticipated groundbreaking date is for the Wellness Center. Vice President Cowley responded that the building is still in the design phase, but he would expect the groundbreaking to be sometime in the spring of 2014.

Trustee Nixon asked for clarification about the funding for the Wayne Estes Athletic Center. Vice President Cowley said the money has been pledged through donations, but not yet raised, therefore it still requires financing. The bonds are the financing mechanism and the payments will be made through the donations. There is a 10-year payment schedule for all of the donations pledged for the Estes Center, so the structure for the bonds will have the same 10-year life.

Action: Trustee Fiebia moved the approval of Resolution 13-6-12, the Issuance and Student Building Fee Revenue Bonds, Series 2013. Trustee Foley seconded the motion and the voting was unanimous in the affirmative.

G. Real Property Disposal

Vice President Cowley indicated the University has a piece of property to dispose of for a similarly valued exchange with the City of Logan. The property is located between 300 and 400 North on 600 West in Logan (Appendix N). It was originally used as a coal yard when the University was heated with coal, and is currently being used to store the hard woods that are used in the kilns for the ceramic program. There has been another location identified on campus to store the kiln wood.

For several years, the University has wanted to get irrigation water to the north part of campus (the area north of the Logan City cemetery) which is currently being watered with culinary water. In exchange for the 600 West property, Logan City will give USU the value of the land in a construction project to install water lines along the east side of the cemetery that will connect the north end of campus to the south end of campus, an easement to be able to service those lines, and a wider sidewalk.

Action: Trustee Nixon moved the approval of Resolution 13-6-13, the Real Property Disposal. Trustee Fiefia seconded the motion and the voting was unanimous in the affirmative.

Chair Jibson concluded the meeting and thanked everyone who participated.

Action: Vice-chair Watterson made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Trustee Foley seconded the motion and the voting was unanimous in the affirmative.

The regular meeting adjourned at 10:58 a.m.

Ronald W. Jibson, Chair

Sydney M. Peterson, Secretary
(Minutes taken by Teri Rasmussen)

Date Approved