

**THE UNIVERSITY OF WYOMING
BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETING
March 21-23, 2018
Laramie, Wyoming**

For approval during the business meeting Friday, March 23, 2018.

Personnel Section

Non-Academic Personnel Report

Items for Action Recommended by the President

APPOINTMENTS

Office of Government Relations

<u>Name</u>	<u>Rank</u>	<u>Salary</u>	<u>Appointment Period</u>
Asay, Meredith	Interim Director of Government Relations	\$130,000/FY	4/1/18-6/30/19

Meredith Asay received a B.S. in Communications (2001) and J.D. (2004) from the University of Wyoming and LL.M. in Global Health Law (2008) from Georgetown University. Ms. Asay has served the university continuously since 2015. She held a part-time position of Special Advisor to the President for External Relations from May 2015-July 2016, and currently supports the University of Wyoming's Office of Governmental and Community Affairs as a contract legislative liaison.

Office of Government Relations | Proposal

TO CREATE A UNIVERSITY OF WYOMING OFFICE OF GOVERNMENT RELATIONS

Through the Office of the President, and in coordination with the Office of Academic Affairs and the Office of Research and Economic Development, the University of Wyoming Office of Government Relations would coordinate the efforts to engage policy makers at the federal and state level to promote the University of Wyoming and enhance the University's ability to meet its mission and goals.

The University of Wyoming, as the state's only university, enjoys ample attention and support from many of the state's policy makers. The University currently enjoys a good reputation among policy makers and good relationships with many policy makers. The current make-up of government relations work at the University is segmented with state legislative work being done by the Office of Governmental and Community Affairs and the federal relations work being done by the Office of Research and Economic Development. This proposal would seek to integrate the coordination of engagement with policy makers at the federal and state level.

The Office of Government Relations, in coordination with the Office of Research and Economic Development and the Office of Academic Affairs, would advocate for the University's priorities, provide advice on legislative strategy, build relationships, and raise awareness on issues that could impact the University.

The Office of Government Relations, in coordination with the Office of Research and Economic Development and the Office of Academic Affairs, would work with administrators and faculty to develop legislative strategies to bolster the colleges' capacities and capabilities to accomplish identified priorities. The Office would also assist in strategies to allow policy makers to gain access to and insight from the University's expertise in order to enrich policy discussions and decision-making.

After consultation with the colleges and programs, the Office, in coordination with the Office of Research and Economic Development and the Office of Academic Affairs, would present recommendations on legislative priorities on an annual basis to the Office of the President and to the Board of Trustees. The Office would work with the Office of the President and the Board of Trustees to create and implement a legislative strategy furthering the identified priorities.

The Office of Government Relations would also be responsible for monitoring the work of predetermined higher education associations and facilitating the University's participation in the work of the associations.

Additionally, the Office would be the University's conduit for visits to campus by state and federal government officials. The Office would work with other offices and

units on campus to coordinate itineraries and host tours on campus to highlight the educational opportunities available.

The Office would be led by the Director of Government Relations and would have multiple components to include: State Relations and Federal Relations.

State Relations: Work with state government administration (including state agencies) and the legislature to advance the University's academic and legislative agenda; build and facilitate positive relationships with state government; advocate on behalf of the University; monitor legislation and provide advice and analyses; educate campus about state issues; work with the Board of Trustees, Administration, faculty and others to ensure a consistent legislative strategy is in place and executed.

The Director of Government Relations would focus most of his/her time on state relations.

Federal Relations: Work with the federal lobbyist to build and strengthen relationships with federal policy makers, agencies and staff members; build and strengthen relationships between the campus community and federal research sponsors; formulate and communicate federal priorities; monitor and analyze federal legislation and regulation; and support federal relations activities.

The Director of Government Relations would spend approximately 20% of his/her time on federal relations.

Budget and Personnel

The Office of Government Relations would need an operating budget to pay for the salary of its director, contract lobbyist assistance, association membership, legislative expenses, and travel.

This proposal does not seek to increase the amount of funds being spent; instead, this proposal would seek to congregate the funds spent on government relations into one office. Currently, budgeted amounts for government relations sit in multiple offices. This proposal does not seek to increase the number of positions employed by or contracted with the University.

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Academic Personnel Report

A. ACADEMIC PERSONNEL ITEMS FOR ACTION RECOMMENDED BY THE PRESIDENT					
1. First-Year Tenure Track Reappointments					
College	Academic Unit	Last Name	First Name	Rank	Next Review Year
College of Agriculture and Natural Resources	Department of Animal Science	Stewart	Whitney C.	Assistant Professor	2018-2019
	Department of Ecosystem Science & Mgt	Nippgen	Fabian	Assistant Professor	2018-2019
	Department of Veterinary Sciences	Bangoura	Berit	Assistant Professor	2018-2019
College of Arts & Sciences	Department of Chemistry	Taylor	Michael	Instructor	2018-2019
	Department of English	Small	Nancy	Assistant Professor	2018-2019
	Department of Music	Robison	Tiger	Assistant Professor	2018-2019
College of Business	Department of Accounting & Finance	Festa	Mackenzie	Assistant Professor	2018-2019
College of Education	Department of Professional Studies	Carter	Richard	Instructor	2018-2019
	Department of Professional Studies	Scull	W. Reed	Associate Professor	2018-2019
	Department of Secondary Education	Swarts	Gabriel	Assistant Professor	2018-2019
College of Engineering and Applied Science	Department of Computer Science	Kotthoff	Lars	Assistant Professor	2018-2019
	Department of Computer Science	Lan	Chao	Instructor	2018-2019
	Department of Mechanical Engineering	Mousaviraad	S. Maysam	Assistant Professor	2018-2019
	Department of Petroleum Engineering	Dejam	Morteza	Assistant Professor	2018-2019
College of Health Sciences	Division of Communication Disorders	Krueger	Breanna	Assistant Professor	2018-2019
	Division of Social Work	Labrum	Travis	Instructor	2018-2019

2. First-Year Extended Term Track Reappointments					
College of Arts and Sciences	Department of Criminal Justice & Sociology	Fetsco	Daniel	Assistant Lecturer	2018-2019
	Department of Art	Robison	Rani M.	Assistant Lecturer	2018-2019
College of Health Sciences	School of Pharmacy	Cruz	Charlie P.	Assistant Lecturer	2018-2019