

**THE UNIVERSITY OF WYOMING  
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**“SPECIAL” MEETING  
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**7:00 a.m.**

**Via Video Conference**

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## **Call to Order**

UW Board of Trustees Chairman Jeff Marsh called the meeting to order at 7:00 a.m.

## **Roll Call**

Trustees participating: Brad Bonner, Kermit Brown, David Fall, Elizabeth Greenwood, Brad LaCroix, Carol Linton, Jeff Marsh, John McKinley, Macey Moore, Laura Schmid-Pizzato, Michelle Sullivan, and Dave True. Ex-officio Trustees UW President Ed Seidel, ASUW President Riley Talamantes, State Superintendent of Public Instruction Jillian Balow, and Director of Wyoming Community College Commission Sandy Caldwell were in attendance. Governor Mark Gordon was not in attendance; Senior Policy Advisor Lachelle Brant attended on his behalf.

## **Public Session #1**

Trustee Dave True moved the Board enter into Executive Session for the purpose of:

- 1) To consider the appointment, employment, right to practice or dismissal of a public employee and to consider accepting or tendering offers concerning wages, salaries, benefits and terms of employment during all negotiations (16-4-405(a)(ii) and 16-4-405(a)(x))

Trustee David Fall seconded the motion. The motion carried with a unanimous decision.

The Board entered back into public session at 7:30 a.m.

## **Public Session #2**

### ***Personnel***

#### ***Approved 03-10-2021 @ 7:30 a.m.***

Trustee Michelle Sullivan moved to approve the appointment of Dr. Kevin Carman as Provost and Senior Vice President for Academic Affairs for an effective date no later than July 1, 2021. Trustee Moore seconded. The motion carried with a unanimous decision.

Trustee David Fall requested that administration come back to the Board with a plan to bring students back after spring break, relax some of the gathering restrictions, and give consideration to an in person graduation. Trustee Fall stated he felt there was support of this across the state.

Trustee Macey Moore concurred, and discussed the struggle students are having. Trustee Macey Moore stated if the students were not given some hope for the future, the university's future enrollment may suffer.

Trustee Schmid-Pizzato concurred, and discussed the university's low COVID-19 case numbers. Trustee Schmid-Pizzato further stated discussions with students who are interested in taking summer courses if offered in person class options. Trustee Schmid-Pizzato concurred with Trustee Moore with regard to the risk to future enrollment.

President Seidel reported that his cabinet and various working groups have been engaged in discussions about the balance of the spring semester and are investigating options for graduation.

Trustee Brad Bonner concurred with Trustee Fall and reported his constituents are in support of a transition back to in person classes, and parents who are on the verge of transferring their students to another institution.

Trustee Michelle Sullivan also expressed her support.

Trustee Elizabeth Greenwood requested this topic come before the Board at its March 24-25, 2021, meeting.

The meeting adjourned at 7:42 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,



RoseMarie London  
Deputy Secretary, UW Board of Trustees