### THE UNIVERSITY OF WYOMING

**SUMMARY MINUTES** 

OF THE TRUSTEES

November 15-17, 2023

**PUBLIC SESSION** 

### **University of Wyoming**

#### Vision

Use our unique strengths to make Wyoming and the world a better place.

#### Mission

As Wyoming's university, we unlock the extraordinary in every person through education, research, innovation, engagement, and service.

#### Values

- Access to an affordable, high-quality education.
- Real-world education where students learn by doing.
- A welcoming and supportive learning community fostered by integrity, inclusivity, freedom of expression, and respect.
- The growth, health, and leadership capacity of all members of the university community.
- Wyoming's wild and working lands as an asset to be utilized, understood, stewarded, and treasured.
  - Our partnership and engagement with Wyoming communities in the creation and exchange of knowledge and resources.
  - Our role as a catalyst for innovation and economic vitality.

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### THE UNIVERSITY OF WYOMING SUMMARY MINUTES OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES November 15-27, 2023 UW Conference Center Laramie, Wyoming

As will be reflected in the public and executive session meeting minutes, the Board of Trustees of the University of Wyoming met in Laramie, Wyoming, on Wednesday, November 15, 2023, Thursday, November 16, 2023, and Friday, November 17, 2023. Committee Meetings were held on Wednesday, November 15, 2023. The Board's business meeting was held on Friday, November 17, 2023.

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#### AGENDA ITEM TITLE: <u>Recognition: Wyoming Community College Commission</u> Executive Director Sandy Caldwell

Trustee John McKinley recognized Wyoming Community College Commission Executive Director Sandy Caldwell on her retirement and thanked her for her service. UW President Ed Seidel thanked Caldwell for her support of the Wyoming Innovation Partnership (WIP).

#### **AGENDA ITEM TITLE: Research Excellence Presentation**

• Excavation of a Columbian Mammoth in Laramie County, Wyoming, Todd Surovell Anthropology Professor Todd Surovell gave a presentation of the excavation of a Columbian Mammoth in Laramie County, Wyoming. Surovell discussed the 2021 communication from landowner Doug Samuelson (Warren Livestock) indicating that large bones were uncovered during trenching which initiated the excavation. Surovell stated the Warren Mammoth was well preserved and buried two meters below the surface in unconsolidated sand suggesting it was Late Pleistocene in age. Surovell discussed the work conducted over 2022 and 2023 field seasons by University of Anthropology graduate students, Office of the Wyoming State Archeologist employees, and volunteers and funded by George C. Frison Institute of Archaeology and Anthropology, the Wyoming Cultural Truste Fund, and Warren Livestock. Surveell stated that while several small pieces of angular chert were recovered, no items that could not have been produced by natural processes were discovered. The group recovered most of the female woolly mammoth, that is believed to have died naturally, and just prior to human arrival in the state. In response to inquiry from Trustee Michelle Sullivan, Surovell stated most who are interested in Mammoth cloning focus on Siberian Mammoths that are better preserved by permafrost. UW President Ed Seidel inquired about recent discoveries that challenge the date when professionals believe humans arrived to North America. Surovell stated the oldest site in Wyoming with evidence of human existence is approximately dated to 13,000 years ago.

#### AGENDA ITEM TITLE: Wyoming Innovation Partnership (WIP) Update, Schoenfeld

Wyoming Innovation Partnership (WIP) Executive Director Lauren Shoenfeld provided the Board a summary of the creation and purpose of WIP and an update on WIP Phase I activities. Schoenfeld highlighted university programs and the key short and long-term metrics, data and outcomes. Schoenfeld discussed WIP strategic categories to include partnership infrastructure, energy, tourism and hospitality, digital infrastructure and technology, healthcare, agriculture, manufacturing, workforce development, and entrepreneurship. UW President Ed Siedel discussed the 2024 Wyoming's Economic Outlook provided by College of Business Assistant Dean Anne Alexander during the 2023 Governor's Business Forum. In response to inquiry from Trustee Carol Linton, Schoenfeld gave examples of how Manufacturing Works used WIP funds to make a direct impact on the manufacturing industry by streamlining the process and availability of needed training such as OSHA. In response to inquiry from Trustee David Fall, Schoenfeld and Wyoming Community College Commission Executive Director Sandy Caldwell described community college access to WIP resources. Trustee Michelle Sullivan commented that the Makerspace programs have partnerships with school districts and non-profits across the state and provide pathways for students to develop their passions. In response to inquiry from Trustee Brad Bonner, Schoenfeld discussed ways WIP programs, the Department of Workforce Services and the

Wyoming Business Council are working together to address staffing shortages for businesses across the state. Trustee Jim Mathis commented that improvements to marketing efforts by local industries would help make Wyoming Community College graduates aware of opportunities available in Wyoming. Governor Mark Gordon's Senior Policy Advisor Lachelle Brant remarked that the Wyoming Business Council is studying various workforce streams, and that recognizing that childcare can be a barrier for employment, is examining communities with childcare deserts.

#### AGENDA ITEM TITLE: UW President Update to Board, Seidel

UW President Ed Seidel reported he has been focused on campus and community engagement, reporting an audit of his calendar revealed only two days since August 2023 without "at least" one event. President Seidel briefly described the Faculty, Staff and Student Town Halls, conversations with School of Energy Resources, the School of Computing, engagements with UW at Casper College, and attendance at the Native American Scholarship and Awards Ceremony on November 3, 2023. President Seidel reported on the latest UW in Your Community event, the success of Homecoming week events, and other alumni and donor engagement. President Seidel described the success of his standing "Coffee & Conversation" at the Rendezvous Café. President Seidel described improved communication with the City of Laramie and nascent partnerships related to the creative economy and economic development generally. President Seidel described the success of the 2023 Governor's Business Forum, and the shared benefit to the university as host. President Seidel talked about the 2023 Giving Day successes, stating there were 8,978 donors up from 6,296 the previous year, and the university received \$3.6M in donations this year. President Seidel enthusiastically discussed the development of an Alumni Travel Program, stating more than 300 people requested information within the first 24 hours of announcing the program. President Seidel took a moment to clarify the next steps related to operationalizing the principles described in the final report of the Freedom of Expression, Intellectual Freedom, and Constructive Dialogue Working Group, and that the Board will receive a report during its March 2024 meeting. President Seidel updated the Board on the progress of the Marketing and Communications Working Group lead by Vice President for Government Relations and Community Engagement Mike Smith. President Seidel stated the group will submit a report to him in January 2024 which will include recommendations on structure, resources, and strategy needed to take the university to the "next level" about which he will update the Board during its March 2024 meeting.

AGENDA ITEM TITLE: 2023 Saddle Up Program Review, Carman, Chestnut, Courtney UW President Ed Seidel discussed the 2023 APLU conference and the discussions around student wellness and success, and the Saddle Up program which provides a measure of support to students. Vice President for Student Affairs Kim Chestnut reported the presentation will discuss data collected from the 2023 Saddle Up cohort and what the program succeeded at in its second year. Provost and Executive Vice President for Academic Affairs Kevin Carman discussed year-to-year retention data. (See presentation.) Carman stated there will be an increased focus on engaging minority students in future programs. In response to inquiry from Trustee Dave True, Carman stated the year-to-year interpretation of retention data is somewhat false because colleges have been consolidated or reorganized between the first Saddle Up year and the next, and a look at individual major levels will be examined after future programs. Trustee Kermit Brown stated the two colleges that have a negative result are the two that were impacted by consolidation and reorganization. In response to Trustee Jim Mathis, Carman stated the statistics do not include online students due to the lack of undergraduate online course availability. In response to inquiry

from Trustee Dave True, Carman discussed the lack of impact to GPA as a result of program participation. Associate Vice President and Dean of Student Success Nycole Courtney discussed improved communication with students via an App, and the improvements to the Saddle Up schedule directly from feedback received after the programs' inaugural year. Courtney discussed the enrollment demographics, and programming specific to transfer students, and highlighted a selection of survey results. In response to inquiry from Trustee Brad Bonner, Courtney discussed preliminary plans for the 2024 programming to include increased engagement with campus partners, and enhanced engagement with transfer students. In response to inquiry from Trustee Dave True, Chestnut discussed commentary from students regarding the full schedule, and stated the rigor is intended to provide real-world student experience. Chestnut also stated that additional training with faculty prior to the program would be beneficial.

### AGENDA ITEM TITE: <u>Low-Producing Programs: UW Regulation 2-13</u> Recommendations, Carman

Provost and Executive Vice President for Academic Affairs Kevin Carman provided the Board an update on identification of low producing programs stating in January 2023 he requested a review by colleges and schools of programs which could be identified as low producing. Carman reported the Office of Institutional Analysis (OIA) provided data which identified 26 undergraduate and 34 graduate programs that were low producing, meaning those that average fewer than five graduates per year for undergraduate programs and three graduates per year for masters programs, over a five-year period. Carman went on to state in January and February 2023, the list of identified programs and the data provided to deans and published via the Academic Affairs website. Carman said that reports from the colleges and schools on the identified programs were due July 31, 2023; the reports included narratives to address the low-completion rate of each program and proposals to either continue, or recommend for reorganization, consolidation, reduction, or discontinuance pursuant to UW Regulation 2-13. Carman reported the following low producing programs are under review and that Academic Affairs has initiated the 120-day review process per UW Regulation 2-13.

College of Agriculture, Life Sciences and Natural Resources:

• B.S. in Zoology and Physiology

College of Arts and Sciences:

- B.A. in French
- B.A. in German
- M.A. in Philosophy
- M.A. in Sociology
- B.A. in Psychology

#### College of Education:

- Ph.D. in Educational Administration
- Ph.D. in Higher Education Administration
- M.S. in Instructional Technology
- Ph.D. in Instructional Technology
- Ed.D. in Adult & Post-Secondary Education
- Ph.D. in Education-Literacy Education
- Ph.D. in Education-Mathematics Education
- Ph.D. in Education-Science Education

College of Engineering and Physical Sciences

- B.A. in Geology & Earth Sciences
- B.A. in Mathematics
- B.A. in Statistics

In response to inquiry from Trustee David Fall, Carman discussed the justifications used to identify the list for discontinuance, and stated academic affairs will continue to monitor several programs for improvement. In response to remark from Trustee Dave True that discontinuing the BA in Geology and Earth Science might be a misstep as it is a program critical to the state, Carman stated while the BA is being proposed for elimination, the BS in Geology and Earth Science will remain as it is the better-enrolled program. Trustee John McKinley recommended the messaging to stakeholders be clear.

### AGENDA ITEM TITLE: <u>Amend Ground lease and Update to MHRGC FF&E</u> Replacement and Reserve Policy, Schmid-Pizzato, Kean

Vice President for Budget and Finance Alex Kean stated the current ground lease requires the university to deposit \$414,500 on an annual basis into a reserve for FF&E at the Marian H. Rochelle Gateway Center. Kean stated two payments were made and then stopped as a result of the university's FY2021 budget reduction plan while the UW Foundation continued to contribute its portion. Although the reserve has sufficient funds currently, this will lead to insufficient funds for the necessary upkeep of the facility, therefore administration worked with the UW Foundation to determine a target balance. Kean stated the proposed ground lease amendment would require the university to reinstate its deposit into the FF&E account at a rate of \$280,000 per year, and the UW Foundation will make an annual deposit of \$220,000 into the reserve fund. Kean stated the balance is reported to the Board at its September meeting and updates will be provided on the progress toward reaching an optimum \$2M balance. In response to inquiry from Trustee John McKinley, Kean stated that upon Board action during the September 2023 meeting, the university moved funds from the operating budget for the foundation into this line item to make that deposit. Kean went on to state upon Board approval of the amended ground lease, payment will be made into the sinking fund for this fiscal year.

# AGENDA ITEM TITLE: <u>Financial Aid Plan – Review Structure and Financial Sid</u> <u>Awarding Strategy for AY2025-2026/FY2026</u>, Schmid-Pizzato, Kean

Vice President for Budget and Finance Alex Kean discussed the recommendations for FY2026 Financial Aid Strategy with approval requested during the January 2024 Board meeting. Kean clarified the information before the Board relates to the Fall 2025 (or FY2026) financial aid strategy. Kean reported that resulting from discussion during the November 16, 2023, Biennium Budget Committee it was recommended the university separate the Western Undergraduate Exchange (WUE) funding out of the non-resident, first-time student matrix, and to change the academic scoring requirement to a 3.75 high school GPA or a 27 ACT result that equates to a 1260 or above SAT score and offer these students 150 percent of resident tuition. Kean stated this returns the university to a previous strategic position and it is believed this change will have a positive result in terms of student recruitment. Trustee Laura Schmid-Pizzato stated this is one of four recommended changes that would go into effect upon Board approval of the full plan in January. Trustee Schmid-Pizzato stated the Board is being asked to approve the change related to WUE for immediate implementation. In response to inquiry from Trustee David Fall, Kean

addressed the test-optional line in the current matrix which requires a 3.9 GPA for the highest-level award that was most recently approved by the Board in May of 2022. Kean discussed administration's recommendation of an appeal process for review of weighted GPAs for financial aid awarding, and encouraged the Board to review the materials provided, and stated he was happy to respond to inquiry prior to the January 2024 meeting.

#### AGENDA ITEM TITLE: Annual Report -- Trustees Education Initiative, Shim

Provost and Executive Vice President for Academic Affairs Kevin Carman presented on behalf of College of Education Interim Dean Jenna Shim who was unable to attend. College of Education Director Colby Gull discussed High Altitude Pathways which assist with career opportunities for rural high school students, and Voices in the Field Conference where students are provided with the opportunity to participate in workshops led by professionals in the field. Kevin Carman provided an update on the Masters in Education Competency Program (MECP) in collaboration with 2Revolutions to create professional development courses with the intent of providing credit toward a master's program. Carman discussed statewide collaborations, and cooperation with Governor Mark Gordon's "Future of Learning" Reimagining and Innovating the Delivery of Education (RIDE) program. Colby discussed the value of the Wyoming Teacher Mentor Corps. and its impact on teacher retention. Gull discussed the goal to move teacher retention in Wyoming from 68% to 85%. In response to inquiry from Trustee Dave True, Gull discussed a 1:1 mentor/mentee target, further stating it is up to individual school districts to build their mentoring program based on needs. In response to inquiry from Trustee Kermit Brown, Gull stated that he welcomed instructional facilitators to take part in the Mentor Corps. Governor Gordon's Senior Policy Advisor Lachelle Brant discussed presenting at the Wyoming Department of Education's Level Up Leadership Program, and the feedback she received about the efforts of the university to support educators. Brant encouraged creative thinking in terms of ways to support teachers, and the idea of incentives. In response to inquiry from Trustee John McKinley, Gull discussed the college's adjustment to the student teacher placement policy to allow opportunities for student teachers to return to their home district and spoke in favor of the unique opportunity of teaching in an unfamiliar district. The Board was presented video testimonial on Career and Technical Carman described Shim's efforts in promoting CTE teacher Education (CTE) teaching. recruitment to include engagement with Veterans and industry. State Superintendent for Public Instruction Megan Degenfelder commended the university's work on CTE engagement. Wyoming Community College Commission Executive Director Sandy Caldwell also commended Shim's work. Trustee John McKinley stated that the Board will receive further update on the Trustees Education Initiative during the January 2024 meeting.

#### **AGENDA ITEM TITLE:** Annual Report -- Science Initiative, Chitnis

UW President Ed Seidel stated he has worked hard on the Science Initiative (SI) and Tier I Engineering since he arrived at the university. Vice President for Research and Economic Development Parag Chitnis summarized information in the <u>Science Initiative 2022-23 Annual Report</u> which was provided to the Board in its meeting materials. Chitnis described the year in review and highlighted opportunity for engagement, the Wyoming Research Scholars Program (WRSP), Learning Actively Mentoring Program (LAMP), and the inaugural STEM Carnival which took place in September 2022. Chitnis provided update on the research and educational facilities, stating five instruments were added to the Cener for Advanced Scientific Instrumentation (CASI), and the plans to finish the 4<sup>th</sup> floor space for the Student Collaborative Research, Outreach,

#### and Learning Library (SCROLL).

Trustee John McKinley addressed the need for administration to clarify the vision for the SI, indicating the Board's interest and responsibility in the matter. Trustee McKinley stated that the budget has always been part of previous SI updates to the Board and is notably absent from the presentation at this meeting. Chitnis stated the categories have not changed, and administration is actively working on a three-year plan which President Seidel is currently reviewing. Trustee McKinley noted that the budget presented and approve by the Board in the course of its budget hearings in May did not include a legislative appropriation of \$3.6M for programming which became available in July 2023. Trustee McKinley inquired whether administration was applying these funds without the Biennium Budget Committee's recommendation and full Board approval. Vice President for Budget and Finance Alex Kean explained the \$3.6 M appropriation had been accounted for in the operating budget presented to the Board in May 2023. Kean stated the university budget system allocates the dollars by natural account not by functional or programmatic area. Kean stated what is approved separates the dollars between expenditure categories such as salary, service, travel, supply and such at the division level. Trustee McKinley inquired whether the dollars have been allocated between programmatic buckets as prior annual reports have suggested. Kean stated that given the SI programming is still being stood up, some of the budgeting is still in flux. Trustee McKinley requested administration provide the Board a copy of the budget for review. Trustee McKinley stated that best practice is for the university's use of funds remain consistent with its budget request to the State, and true to the representations made to the legislature. In response to a comment from Trustee McKinley, Chitnis assured the Board the categories for which funds were appropriated have not changed and funds are being spent in support of these categories. Chitnis went on to describe the funds that are being used for seed grants and PhD scholars are being spent on thematic areas that are being further defined in response to the needs of the state as well as the ability to obtain external funding to leverage state investments.

Trustee McKinley readdressed Trustees Dave Fall and Macey Moore's question about building capacity and its appropriate use. Chitnis discussed the occupancy parameters for SI, and the annual application process for occupancy. As follow up Chitnis stated the building is not fully occupied, and instrumentation has been delayed because of supply chain issues. In response to inquiry from Trustee McKinley, Chitnis stated the building's utilization is ~70-80% not including the shelled space, which he said is a level that allows flexibility. In response to inquiry from Trustee McKinley, Chitnis stated he would prefer the utilization be at 90% capacity and explained why some of the space is still unused.

Trustee Kermit Brown stated that when the legislature appropriated funds for the facility, its conversations centered around its use in that faculty and researchers would not have ownership of space in the facility but would compete for its use, and asked administration to confirm its support of this space planning philosophy. Chitnis stated there was no change to that philosophy and that faculty research expenditures are continually monitored as one indication of effective use of space. In response to inquiry from Trustee McKinley, Chitnis stated the process is similar at the National Science Foundation where scientists of differing disciplines are brought together, have the ability to converse, and identify and solve problems that could be intractable or important. President Seidel went on to describe "deliberate creativity" anecdotally and at length. President Seidel

discussed conversations with the previous Vice President for Research and Economic Development Ed Synakowski regarding Grand Challenges. President Seidel stated he was a champion of the idea of Grand Challenges in that there are important scientific and engineering problems that are just bigger than what an individual research group can do. President Seidel said to bring individuals together will achieve bigger goals, and these types of projects would make the university competitive for large funding opportunities from the NSF and the Department of Energy. President Seidel stated research in the SI is at university scale but is in the same theme.

Trustee McKinley stated the name Science Initiative Building was used before the legislature appropriated funds for its construction, and since that time it has become well known statewide as such. Trustee McKinley stated that he wished to avoid confusion about the name of the building and facility, and stated the Board would address the name at its January 2024 meeting, taking official action as necessary.

#### AGENDA ITEM TITLE: Annual Report -- Tier I Engineering, Wright

College of Engineering and Applied Science (CEAS) Dean Cameron Wright provided the Board an annual report describing the college's core activities related to the Tier 1 Engineering initiatives. Wright described the Initiative's conception in 2012, and the initial FY2015-2016 appropriation. Wright stated that in spite of a reduced budget, the CEAS has made considerable progress toward the goals established by the Wyoming Governor's Energy, Engineering, and STEM Integration Taskforce (often referred to as the Tier I Task Force). Wright went on to discuss the university reorganization which changed CEAS to College of Engineering and Physical Sciences (CEPS) and the integration of four new math and science departments. Wright discussed the results of the cross-department and interdisciplinary collaborations that have occurred since the integration. Wright discussed the incorporation of professional advising and career services for the newly added science/math departments and that the number of participants in each K-14 outreach program has significantly increased from previous years. Wright discussed the use of matching funds and reported an increase in faculty start-up fund commitments. Wright reported one-time funding requests have supported new shared equipment, equipment upgrades, maintenance contracts, lab infrastructure upgrades, and support for computer science and robotics outreach. Wright described an increased coordination/cooperation/collaboration with the School of Energy Resources research, education, and outreach, increased (SER) on and coordination/cooperation/collaboration with the Science Initiative (SI) activities and projects. Trustee John McKinley thanked Wright for the report and commended the appropriate use of state funding to move the Tier I Engineering Initiative in the direction initially envisioned by the Tier I Task Force. Governor Mark Gordon's Senior Policy Advisor Lachelle Brant inquired if a certificate program is being offered to educators who participate in outreach programs. Wright responded that some credits are offered through the Engineering Summer Program. Trustee Michelle Sullivan recommended consideration be given to expanding these opportunities. UW President Ed Seidel stated he has been working with Strategic Advisor Tom Peterson and Wright for several years on a report called Tier I 2030 which should be seen as the primary engine for the university to achieve R1 status, as well as repairing the foundations of the college after several consecutive budget cuts.

#### Roll Call

Trustee Committee reports began at 3:17 p.m. on Thursday, November 16, 2023. Deputy Secretary RoseMarie London called the roll.

Trustees participating: Brad Bonner, Kermit Brown (Vice Chairman), Elizabeth Greenwood, Carol Linton, Jim Mathis, John McKinley (Chairman), Macey Moore, Laura Schmid-Pizzato (Secretary), Michelle Sullivan (Treasurer), and Dave True. Trustees David Fall, and Brad LaCroix were absent.

Ex-officio members participating: UW President Ed Seidel, and ASUW President Saber Smith, Superintendent for Public Instruction Megan Degenfelder, and Wyoming Community College Commission Executive Director Sandy Caldwell. Governor Mark Gordon was not in attendance. Senior Policy Advisor Lachelle Brant attended on his behalf.

# **AGENDA ITEM TITLE:** <u>Academic and Student Affairs Committee</u> – Michelle Sullivan (Chair)

Trustee Michelle Sullivan provided a brief summary of the Academic and Student Affairs discussion and proposed the following action recommended by the committee.

#### Repatriation of Art

11/16/2023 @ 3:18 p.m.

Trustee Michelle Sullivan moved the Board approve the repatriation of 14 Vigango from the UW Art Museum to the National Museum of Kenya as discussed in the Academic and Student Affairs Committee and in Executive Session. Trustee Brad Bonner seconded the motion. The motion carried. Trustees David Fall and Brad LaCroix were absent.

Trustee Sullivan stated the following notices of intent are the first step of a two-step approval process. Trustee Sullivan stated the Notice of Intent: Bachelor of Arts in European Languages, Literature, and Film Studies in response to creating an interdisciplinary degree program which will ideally increase enrollment.

# Notice of Intent: Bachelor of Arts in European Languages, Literature, and Film Studies 11/16/2023 @ 3:20 p.m.

Trustee Michelle Sullivan moved the Board approve the Notice of Intent for the Bachelor of Arts in European Languages, Literature, and Film Studies. Trustee Brad Bonner seconded the motion. The motion carried. Trustees David Fall and Brad LaCroix were absent.

Trustee Sullivan stated the following are Notices of Intent (NOI) for certificates that will complement BAS degrees at UW at Casper College. UW at Casper College Dean Brent Pickett stated to the committee that professionals in these areas would prefer a certificate to increase their skillset and professional opportunities.

# Notice of Intent: BAS Organizational Leadership Minor and Certificate 11/16/2023 @ 3:26 p.m.

Trustee Michelle Sullivan moved the Board approve the Notice of Intent for the BAS Organizational Leadership Minor and Certificate. Trustee Brad Bonner seconded the motion. The motion carried. Trustees David Fall and Brad LaCroix were absent.

Wyoming Community College Commission (WCCC) Executive Director Sandy Caldwell stated that conversations are underway at the WCCC to assure there is no duplication of programs. Pickett stated that the NOIs are to develop minors and certificate options. Minors are open to students of any major, and certificates are valuable to professionals who already have a bachelor's degree and are looking for skills in organizational leadership; the certificate provides opportunity to meet the needs of professionals and support workforce development. In response to inquiry from Trustee John McKinley, Sullivan stated the NOI is for both the minor and the certificate, Board approval is necessary for the certificate and not the minor.

# Notice of Intent: PHCY/BAS Health Leadership Minor and Certificate 11/16/2023 @ 3:27 p.m.

Trustee Michelle Sullivan moved the Board approve the Notice of Intent for the PHCY/BAS Health Leadership Minor and Certificate. Trustee Brad Bonner seconded the motion. The motion carried. Trustees David Fall and Brad LaCroix were absent.

### Notice of Intent: AG/BAS Agricultural Business Leadership Minor, Certificate, and Concentration

11/16/2023 @ 3:36 p.m.

Trustee Michelle Sullivan moved the Board approve the Notice of Intent for the AG/BAS Agricultural Business Leadership Minor, Certificate, and Concentration. Trustee Jim Mathis seconded the motion. The motion carried. Trustees David Fall and Brad LaCroix were absent.

Pickett stated "concentration" is being considered so that students within the organizational leadership major can emphasize agribusiness course work as they earn their bachelor's degree and is included for the purpose of the feasibility study and said there is a good chance the concentration piece will not be necessary, further stating the ongoing conversations with the academic leadership at Casper College. Pickett stated the NOI addresses the persistent gap in agriculture related programs at UW at Casper College. Senior Policy Advisor to Governor Mark Gordon Lachelle Brant inquired about the difference between this and Central Wyoming Community Colleges' program in agriculture leadership. UW at Casper College Director of BAS Programming Rochelle Green stated examination is ongoing to assure there is not duplication. Green stated the BAS programs are unique and stated the desire to reach a broader population in the state with a focus on those already in the workforce. In response to further inquiry from Brant, Green stated the program at UW at Casper College is asynchronous. Trustee Kermit Brown inquired whether the governor's office wished to provide guidance regarding how the university should proceed further stating to his knowledge the state has never had a high-level policy discussion about educational offerings. Brant stated the governor's perspective is that the university and the WCCC are the experts but should be mindful where efficiencies can be identified, and duplication can be avoided.

Trustee Sullivan stated the NOI for Nuclear Energy Science Undergraduate and Graduate

Certificate is proposed to provide students the skills making them eligible for internships and other opportunities in the nuclear energy industry in Wyoming and at the Idaho National Laboratory.

# Notice of Intent: Nuclear Energy Science Undergraduate and Graduate Certificate 11/16/2023 @ 3:41 p.m.

Trustee Michelle Sullivan moved the Board approve the Notice of Intent for Undergraduate and Graduate Certificates in Nuclear Energy Science. Trustee Brad Bonner seconded the motion. The motion carried. Trustees David Fall and Brad LaCroix were absent.

# Notice of Intent: Master of Science in Preclinical Sciences 11/16/2023 @ 3:43 p.m.

Trustee Michelle Sullivan moved the Board approve the Notice of Intent for the Master of Science in Pre-Clinical Sciences. Trustee Elizabeth Greenwood seconded the motion. The motion carried. Trustees David Fall and Brad LaCroix were absent.

# Notice of Intent: Master of Science in Quantum Information Science and Engineering 11/16/2023 @ 3:44 p.m.

Trustee Michelle Sullivan moved the Board approve the Notice of Intent for the Master of Science in Quantum Information Science and Engineering. Trustee Jim Mathis seconded the motion. The motion carried. Trustees David Fall and Brad LaCroix were absent.

# Notice of Intent: PhD in English 11/16/2023 @ 3:48 p.m.

Trustee Michelle Sullivan moved the Board approve the Notice of Intent for the PhD in English. Trustee Macey Moore seconded the motion. The motion carried. Trustees David Fall and Brad LaCroix were absent.

Brant inquired about the university process to assess demand for new programs. In response, College of Arts and Sciences Dean Scott Turpen described the interest in this degree stating there are few like it in the country. Department of English Chair Kelly Kinney stated the degree is in support of producing public intellectuals who are qualified for a variety of positions across the country.

# Request for Authorization: Bachelor of Science in Ranch Management and Agricultural Leadership

11/16/2023 @ 3:49 p.m.

Trustee Michelle Sullivan moved the Board approve the Request for Authorization for the Bachelor of Science in Ranch Management and Agricultural Leadership. Trustee Elizabeth Greenwood seconded the motion. The motion carried. Trustees David Fall and Brad LaCroix were absent.

Trustee Sullivan closed her report stating the committee received recommendation from administration about the 2-step approval process per UW Regulation 1-1 related to Vice President and Dean hires requiring Board approval, and stated the committee will continue to study the benefit, and that the committee received information related to what programmatic elements and resources are needed to increase Native student success at the University of Wyoming, and what

will it take to overcome challenges and collaborate effectively for the success of Native students. Trustee Sullivan stated the committee will continue to receive updated information.

**AGENDA ITEM TITLE:** <u>Biennium Budget Committee</u> – Laura Schmid-Pizzato (Chair) Trustee Laura Schmid-Pizzato proposed the following action recommended by the Biennium Budget Committee.

# Graduate Assistant One-Time Retention Payment Plan 11/16/2023 @ 3:51 p.m.

Trustee Laura Schmid-Pizzato moved the Board authorize administration to use up to two hundred fifty thousand dollars (\$250,000) from the general university operations budget for a one-time retention payment of 3.5% on base graduate assistantship stipends to be distributed in the November payroll. Trustee Carol Linton seconded the motion. The motion carried. Trustees David Fall and Brad LaCroix were absent.

# College of Law Unbudgeted Transfer of Unrestricted Operating Reserve Balance for Capital Project (per UW Regulation 7-1)

11/16/2023 @ 3:52 p.m.

Trustee Laura Schmid-Pizzato moved, in accordance with UW Regulation 7-1, the Board authorize the College of Law to transfer three hundred thousand dollars (\$300,000) of unrestricted operating reserve balance to cover the costs of new carpet in the College of Law Library, as presented on pages 101-105 of the Biennium Budget Committee materials. Trustee Carol Linton seconded the motion. The motion carried. Trustees David Fall and Brad LaCroix were absent.

# Foundation quarterly report on matching funds. Funding and recommendation for approval of match

11/16/2023 @ 3:53 p.m.

Trustee Laura Schmid-Pizzato moved the Board authorize administration to transfer thirty-seven thousand, nine hundred seventy-five dollars and fifty cents (\$37,975.50) of the previously committed funds from the special projects reserve to satisfy the matching obligation of funds raised by the Foundation. Trustee Carol Linton seconded the motion. The motion carried. Trustees David Fall and Brad LaCroix were absent.

# UW Foundation – Amend Ground Lease and Update to Gateway FF&E Replacement & Reserve Policy

11/16/2023 @ 3:54 p.m.

Trustee Laura Schmid-Pizzato moved the Board adopt the UW Foundation Amendment Number One to the ground lease agreement presented as committee agenda item #8 as amended in the supplemental Biennium Budget Committee materials. Trustee Carol Linton seconded the motion. The motion carried. Trustees David Fall and Brad LaCroix were absent.

# Financial Aid Strategy 2024-25 Western Undergraduate Exchange (per UW Regulation 7-11) 11/16/2023 @ 3:58 p.m.

Trustee Laura Schmid-Pizzato moved, in accordance with UW Regulation 7-11, the Board authorize the administration to separate WUE (Western Undergraduate Exchange) from the non-resident grid and modify the parameters to qualify, as presented on page 95 in the Biennium Budget Committee materials. This would be effective for the 2024-25 financial aid cycle. Trustee Carol Linton seconded the motion. The motion carried. Trustees David Fall and Brad LaCroix were absent.

#### **AGENDA ITEM TITLE:** <u>Facilities Contracting Committee</u> – Kermit Brown (Chair)

Trustee Kermit Brown proposed the following action recommended by the Facilities Contracting Committee.

# Lease Renewal Amendment – Antelope Meadows Mini Storage 11/16/2023 @ 3:59 p.m.

Trustee Kermit Brown moved the Board authorize administration to execute the Amendment No. 1 to the Commercial Lease Agreement Between University of Wyoming and Antelope Meadows to include deletion of the utilities clause from the original lease. Trustee Jim Mathis seconded the motion. The motion carried. Trustees David Fall and Brad LaCroix were absent.

# Lease Renewal Amendment – Wyoming Public Radio Kaycee, WY Site Lease with Union Telephone Company

11/16/2023 @ 4:00 p.m.

Trustee Kermit Brown moved the Board authorize administration to execute the Second Addendum to the Site Lease Agreement for the Wyoming Public Radio (WPR) Mayoworth tower site. Trustee Carol Linton seconded the motion. The motion carried. Trustees David Fall and Brad LaCroix were absent.

# Wyoming Humanities – Cooperating Agency Agreement 11/16/2023 @ 4:00 p.m.

Trustee Kermit Brown moved the Board approve the Cooperating Agency Agreement between the University of Wyoming and Wyoming Humanities. Trustee Carol Linton seconded the motion. The motion carried. Trustees David Fall and Brad LaCroix were absent.

# Memorandum of Understanding Amendment – University of Wyoming and National Center for Atmospheric Research

11/16/2023 @ 4:00 p.m.

Trustee Kermit Brown moved the Board authorize administration to execute the Amendment No. 1 to the Memorandum of Understanding Between University of Wyoming and University Corporation for Atmospheric Research Acting on Behalf of the National Center for Atmospheric Research. Trustee Jim Mathis seconded the motion. The motion carried. Trustees David Fall and Brad LaCroix were absent.

# College of Law – Construction Change Order 11/16/2023 @ 4:01 p.m.

Trustee Kermit Brow moved the Board authorize administration to execute a contract change order with FCI Constructors of Wyoming, LLC in the not-to-exceed amount of four hundred sixty-nine thousand fifty dollars (\$469,050.00) for the College of Law Addition and Renovation project and to proceed with construction. Trustee Carol Linton seconded the motion. The motion carried. Trustees David Fall and Brad LaCroix were absent.

# College of Law – Furnishing 11/16/2023 @ 4:02 p.m.

Trustee Kermit Brown moved the Board authorize administration to execute a contract with OfficeScapes (Slate) in the amount of four hundred seventy-four thousand eight hundred sixty-three dollars and forty-eight cents (\$474,863.48) for the College of Law Addition and Renovation project furnishings. Trustee Brown further moved the Board authorize administration to use four hundred sixty-one thousand forty-six dollars (\$461,046) of the combined College of Law funding and Owner's Contingency funds for new carpet and paint in the library. Trustee Brad Bonner seconded the motion. The motion carried. Trustees David Fall and Brad LaCroix were absent.

# Natatorium – Site Selection and Guaranteed Maximum Price I 11/16/2023 @ 4:03 p.m.

Trustee Kermit Brown moved the Board authorize the Summit View site as the place of construction for the Natatorium Project. Trustee Brown further moved the Board authorize administration to execute a contract amendment with GE Johnson Construction Wyoming, of Jackson, WY, for the Natatorium Project, establishing a guaranteed maximum price in the amount not-to-exceed forty-nine million four hundred thirty-five thousand seven hundred fourteen dollars (\$49,435,714). Trustee Brad Bonner seconded the motion. The motion carried. Trustees David Fall and Brad LaCroix were absent.

# Natatorium – Site Selection and Guaranteed Maximum Price II 11/16/2023 @ 4:04 p.m.

Trustee Kermit Brown moved the Board authorize administrative costs of twelve million nine hundred thousand dollars (\$12,900,000), bringing the total project budget to sixty-two million three hundred thirty-five thousand seven hundred fourteen dollars (\$62,335,714). The funding for the administrative budget will come from the Construction Reserve account in the amount of eleven million three hundred thirty-five thousand seven hundred fourteen dollars (\$11,335,714) and the remaining amounts from the already identified sources in the amount of one million five hundred sixty-four thousand two hundred eighty-six dollars (\$1,564,286). Trustee Dave True seconded the motion. The motion carried. Trustees David Fall and Brad LaCroix were absent.

Trustee Kermit Brown discussed the site selection and budget for the Natatorium. Trustee John McKinley stated Vice President for Campus Operations Bill Mai will provide information at a future meeting regarding any additives to the design.

Vice Chairman Kermit Brown took the chair, and Trustee John McKinley made the following motion.

# Columbus Peak Ranch Land Exchange 11/16/2023 @ 4:12 p.m.

Trustee John McKinley moved to instruct administration to convey to the Office of State Lands and Investment that the University of Wyoming will remain neutral in regard to the proposed Columbus Peak Ranch Land Exchange under consideration by the State Board of Land Commissioners. This motion will serve as the University of Wyoming's official position on the proposed land exchange. Trustee Elizabeth Greenwood seconded the motion. The motion carried. Trustees David Fall and Brad LaCroix were absent.

#### **AGENDA ITEM TITLE: Fiscal and Legal Affairs Committee** – Macy Moore (Chair)

Trustee Macey Moore reported the university had a clean audit for the second year in a row. Moore thanked the internal and external team for their hard work. Moore further discussed internal audits ASUW, and a change of management audit for COB, one recommendation and several commendations.

# Annual Audited Financial Reports and Agreed Upon Procedures Reports 11/16/2023 @ 4:13 p.m.

Trustee Macey Moore moved the Board accept and approve the University of Wyoming Independent Auditor's Report and Financial Statements, University of Wyoming Single Audit Report and Schedule of Expenditures of Federal Awards, Wyoming Public Media's Independent Audit Report and Financial Statements, and agreed-upon procedure reports for Intercollegiate Athletics and Cowboy Joe Club for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2023. Trustee Brad Bonner seconded the motion. The motion carried. Trustees David Fall and Brad LaCroix were absent.

#### **AGENDA ITEM TITLE: Legislative Relations Committee** – Kermit Brown (Chair)

Trustee Kermit Brown reported the committee received an update from Vice President for Government Affairs and Community Engagement Mike Smith in a closed session.

### **AGENDA ITEM TITLE:** Research and Economic Development Committee – David Fall (Chair)

Trustee Brad Bonner reported the committee received several presentations by Wyoming Research Scholars and Science Initiative Outreach Specialists. The committee was provided information related to a proposed medical residency consortium model. Trustee Bonner reported that Vice President for Research and Economic Development Parag Chitnis provided a research division update, and discussed the value of research parks which include space for business incubation, and corporate partnerships in support of accelerated translation of university research to commercial outcomes.

#### Friday, November 17, 2023 Hilton Garden Inn, Laramie, Wyoming

The UW Board of Trustees met with the Energy Resource Council for its annual Joint Meeting. This meeting took place on Friday, November 17, 2023. The joint meeting included a presentation by School of Energy Resources (SER) Executive Director Holly Krutka, on SER's Year in Review and Strategic Path Forward.

#### Friday, November 17, 2023 UW Conference Center, Laramie, Wyoming

#### **Business Meeting**

#### Roll Call

The business meeting was called to order at 12:36 p.m. Deputy Secretary RoseMarie London called the roll.

Trustees participating: Brad Bonner, Kermit Brown (Vice Chairman), Elizabeth Greenwood, Carol Linton, Jim Mathis, John McKinley (Chairman), Macey Moore, Laura Schmid-Pizzato (Secretary), Michelle Sullivan (Treasurer), and Dave True. Trustees David Fall, and Brad LaCroix were absent.

Ex-officio members participating: UW President Ed Seidel. ASUW President Saber Smith. Governor Mark Gordon, Superintendent for Public Instruction Megan Degenfelder, and Wyoming Community College Commission Executive Director Sandy Caldwell were not in attendance.

### Approval of Meeting Minutes

11/17/2023 @ 12:38 p.m.

Trustee Laura Schmid-Pizzato moved the Board approve October 18, 2023, public and executive session meeting minutes. Trustee Carol Linton seconded the motion. The motion carried. Trustees David Fall and Brad LaCroix were absent.

#### Reports

**ASUW** – President Saber Smith

ASUW President Saber Smith was absent from the meeting. Trustee John McKinley requested that Deputy Secretary RoseMarie London invite President Smith to provide a written report to the Board following the meeting.

#### **Staff Senate**– President Adam Comeau

Newly elected Staff Senate President Adam Comeau introduced himself to the Board. Comeau stated he has served on Staff Senate since 2021. Comeau stated as Staff Senate President he will continue former President Tim Nichols advocacy and hoped to be an asset to administration.

#### Faculty Senate-President Robert Sprague

Faculty Senate President Robert Sprague discussed the revised standards for R1 classification effective 2025. Sprague stated the 62.5 percent teaching load prescribed by UW Regulation 2-9 is a potential impediment to the university's ability to maintain R1 status, and recommended workload discretion should be at the department and college level. Sprague stated that while excellent teaching is a core value, research is of utmost importance at an R1 institution, and a balance is essential. Sprague stated that departments must have the flexibility to set teaching-to-research ratios that align with the research expectations of their respective disciplines.

**Public Testimony** [Scheduled for Thursday, November 17, 2023, at 11:00 a.m.]

Casey Pikla, WWAMI student, discussed the lack of university response to the resignation of WWAMI Director Brant Schumaker, and the instability and damage to reputation of program and

insufficient support of students. Trustee John McKinley assured the students that the Board and administration are aware of the concerns. Trustee Kermit Brown stated one of the missions that was represented to us was that the WWAMI program was going to be on the cutting edge of rural healthcare which would require some adjustments in the college, and they've not gone particularly smoothly or particularly well further stating the Board has received what he considered to be sufficient assurance that that goal has never wavered. Trustee Brown asked the students to trust that the Board is attentive to the WWAMI program. Truste David Fall concurred. UW President Ed Seidel expressed his appreciation of the students' testimony.

WWAMI Students Tatiana Smith, Hyrum Ruby, Rafael Honer, and Quinton Brooks were present in support of Pikla's statement.

#### **Committee of the Whole**

#### **Board Committee Reports**

**Trustee Committees** [Committees of the Board will provide reports during the regular work sessions and will not have a formal report to provide during the Business Meeting.]

Liaison to Other Boards [Written Liaisons to other Boards Reports were provided in advance.]

- UW Alumni Association Board Laura Schmid-Pizzato & Jack Tennant
- Foundation Board Brad Bonner & David Fall
- Haub School of Environment & Natural Resources Michelle Sullivan
- Energy Resource Council Dave True
- Cowboy Joe John McKinley

#### **Update on 2023 Giving Day**

UW Foundation Vice President for Strategic Initiatives and Communication Toby Marlatt shared 2023 Giving Day outcomes, noting that Giving Day is the key to growing the culture of philanthropy. Marlatt thanked the UW Foundation Board for its continued support, and the McMurry Foundation that provided a \$500,00 2:1 match this year which was utilized in the first 19 minutes of the campaign. Marlatt also acknowledged the \$250,001 UW Board of Trustees match designated toward scholarships and student success. Marlatt reported that Giving Day resulted in \$3,605,192 in donations from 8,978 donors from all 50 states and 13 countries. Marlatt stated that in the first hour more than \$1M was donated from ~2000 donors.

#### OTHER ACTION TAKEN AT MEETING

# Elk Mountain Observatory from Iron Bar Holdings 11/17/2023 @ 12:56 p.m.

Trustee Kermit Brown moved the Board authorize administration to proceed with the real property settlement as discussed in executive session. Trustee Carol Linton seconded the motion. The motion carried. Trustees David Fall, Elizabeth Greenwood, Brad LaCroix, Jim Mathis, and Laura Schmid-Pizzato were absent.

### Lease with Alpha Phi Sorority 11/17/2023 @ 12:57 p.m.

Trustee Kermit Brown moved the Board authorize administration to execute the Lease Agreement Between Trustees of the University of Wyoming and Alpha Phi Sorority, provided that Alpha Phi National Organization will guarantee the lease. Trustee Carol Linton seconded the motion. The motion carried. Trustees David Fall, Elizabeth Greenwood, Brad LaCroix, and Laura Schmid-Pizzato were absent.

### Academic Personnel Report

11/17/2023 @ 12:57 p.m.

Trustee Michelle Sullivan moved the Board approve the academic personnel report as provided. Trustee Jim Mathis seconded the motion. The motion carried. Trustees David Fall, Elizabeth Greenwood, Brad LaCroix, and Laura Schmid-Pizzato were absent.

# Associated Health and Nursing Education Affiliation Agreement Between Department of Veterans Affairs (VA) and the University of Wyoming (School of Pharmacy) 11/17/2023 @ 12:59 p.m.

Trustee Michelle Sullivan moved the Board authorize administration to execute the Associated Health and Nursing Education Affiliation Agreement Between Department of Veterans Affairs (VA) and the University of Wyoming. Trustee Carol Linton seconded the motion. The motion carried. Trustees David Fall, Elizabeth Greenwood, Brad LaCroix, and Laura Schmid-Pizzato were absent.

# Amendment One to the Contract Between Wyoming Business Council and University of Wyoming (Division of Research and Economic Development) 11/17/2023 @ 12:59 p.m.

Trustee Michelle Sullivan moved the Board authorize administration to execute Amendment One to the Contract Between Wyoming Business Council and University of Wyoming. Trustee Brad Bonner seconded the motion. The motion carried. Trustees David Fall, Elizabeth Greenwood, Brad LaCroix, and Laura Schmid-Pizzato were absent.

#### **New Business**

#### **Date of Next Meeting**

December 13, 2023 (conference call)

#### Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 1:01 p.m.

#### **Executive Session Information**

[The UW Board of Trustees met in Executive Session on Thursday, November 16, 2023, and Friday, November 17, 2023, in person and via video conference.]

Executive Session I Thursday, November 17, 2023 8:00 a.m.

The University of Wyoming Board of Trustees called the meeting to order at 8:05 a.m. Trustee Laura Schmid-Pizzato moved the Board enter Executive Session,

- 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))
- 2. To consider or receive any information classified as confidential by law (16-4-405(a)(ix))
- 3. On matters concerning litigation to which the governing body is a party or proposed litigation to which the governing body may be a party (16-4-405(a)(iii))
- 4. On matters concerning the security of public or private property (16-4-405(a)); and
- 5. To consider the selection of a site or the purchase of real estate (16-4-405(a)(vii))

The executive session is attended by the 12 voting members of the Trustees, and ex-officio members. Trustee Kermit Brown seconded the motion. The motion carried. The Board entered executive session at 8:06 a.m.

Trustees participating: Brad, Bonner, Kermit Brown (vice-chairman), David Fall, Elizabeth Greenwood, Brad LaCroix (via video conference), Carol Linton, Jim Mathis, John McKinley (chairman), Macey Moore, Laura Schmid-Pizzato (secretary), Michelle Sullivan (treasurer), and Dave True.

Ex-officio members participating: UW President Ed Seidel, ASUW President Saber Smith, Wyoming Community College Commission Executive Director Sandy Caldwell, State Superintendent for Public Instruction Megan Degenfelder. Governor Mark Gordon was absent. Senior Policy Advisor Lachelle Brant attended on his behalf.

Provost and Executive Vice President for Academic Affairs Kevin Carman, Vice President and General Counsel Tara Evans, Vice President for Budget and Finance Alex Kean, Vice President for Government Affairs and Community Relations Mike Smith, Deputy General Counsel Paula Whaley, Deputy Secretary Board of Trustees RoseMarie London, IT Specialist Margarita Rovani attended the entirety of the meeting.

The following administrators attended during their respective topics:

- o Senior Vice Provost Tami Benham-Deal
- o College of Health Sciences Dean Jacob Warren
- School of Pharmacy Dean Kem Krueger
- o Vice President for Research and Economic Development Parag Chitnis
- o Department of English Associate Professor Scott Henkel
- Vice President for Campus Operations Bill Mai
- o UW Art Museum Director Nicole Crawford
- o Internal Audit Director, Danika Salmans

Executive Session II Friday, November 17, 2023 9:00 a.m.

The University of Wyoming Board of Trustees called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m. Trustee Laura Schmid-Pizzato moved the Board enter Executive Session

- 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))
- 2. To consider or receive any information classified as confidential by law (16-4-405(a)(ix))
- 3. On matters concerning litigation to which the governing body is a party or proposed litigation to which the governing body may be a party (16-4-405(a)(iii))
- 4. On matters concerning the security of public or private property (16-4-405(a)); and
- 5. To consider the selection of a site or the purchase of real estate (16-4-405(a)(vii))

The executive session is attended by the 12 voting members of the Trustees, and ex-officio members. Trustee Carol Linton seconded the motion. The motion carried. The Board entered executive session at 9:03 a.m.

Trustees participating: Brad, Bonner, Kermit Brown (vice-chairman), David Fall (via video conference), Elizabeth Greenwood, Carol Linton, Jim Mathis, John McKinley (chairman), Macey Moore, Laura Schmid-Pizzato (secretary), Michelle Sullivan (treasurer), and Dave True. Trustee Brad LaCroix was absent from the meeting.

Ex-officio members participating: UW President Ed Seidel, and State Superintendent for Public Instruction Megan Degenfelder. Governor Mark Gordon was absent. Senior Policy Advisor Lachelle Brant attended on his behalf (via video conference). ASUW President Saber Smith, and Wyoming Community College Commission Executive Director Sandy Caldwell were absent from the meeting.

Provost and Executive Vice President for Academic Affairs Kevin Carman, Vice President and General Counsel Tara Evans, Vice President for Budget and Finance Alex Kean, Vice President for Government Affairs and Community Relations Mike Smith, Deputy General Counsel Paula Whaley, Deputy Secretary Board of Trustees RoseMarie London, IT Specialist Margarita Rovani attended the entirety of the meeting.

The following administrators attended during their respective topics:

- Vice President for Campus Operations Bill Mai
- o Internal Audit Director, Danika Salmans
- Outside Counsel Mitch Edwards
- Senior Vice Provost Tami Benham-Deal

Respectfully submitted,

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RoseMarie London

Deputy Secretary, UW Board of Trustees