

THE UNIVERSITY OF WYOMING

BOARD OF TRUSTEES MINUTES

May 13-14, 2020

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University of Wyoming Mission Statement (July 2017)

We honor our heritage as the state's flagship and land-grant university by providing accessible and affordable higher education of the highest quality; rigorous scholarship; the communication and application of knowledge; economic and community development; and responsible stewardship of our cultural, historical and natural resources.

In the exercise of our primary mission to promote learning, we seek to provide academic and co-curricular opportunities that will:

- Graduate students who have experienced the frontiers of scholarship and creative activity and who are prepared for the complexities of an interdependent world;
- Cultivate a community of learning energized by collaborative work among students, faculty, staff and external partners.
- Nurture an environment that values and manifests diversity, internationalization, free expression, academic freedom, personal integrity and mutual respect; and
- Promote opportunities for personal health and growth, physical health, athletic competition and leadership development for all members of the university community.

As Wyoming's only public university, we are committed to scholarship, outreach and service that extend our human talent and technological capacity to serve the people in our communities, our state, the nation and the world.

THE UNIVERSITY OF WYOMING
MINUTES OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES
May 13-14, 2020
Via Video Conference
Laramie, Wyoming

As will be reflected in the public and executive session meeting minutes, the Board of Trustees of the University of Wyoming met via video conference on Wednesday, May 13, 2020, and Thursday, May 14, 2020. Committees met on Wednesday, May 13, 2020. The Board's business meeting was held on Thursday, May 14, 2020.

Membership in the Council on Competitiveness

Approved 05-14-2020 @ 10:03 a.m.

Trustee David Fall moved the Board authorize Dr. Seidel join the Council on Competitiveness as the President of the University of Wyoming, both as a member of the Council and as a Commissioner on the new flagship project, the National Commission on Innovation & Competitiveness Frontiers pending identification of funds as discussed. Trustee Mel Baldwin seconded the motion. The motion carried with a unanimous decision.

AGENDA ITEM TITLE: UW Campus Master Plan, Sasaki, Mai

MINUTES OF THE MEETING:

In January of 2019, university administration began a design effort led by the consulting firm Sasaki to prepare a new 20-year campus master plan. Over the past year the Planning Team has worked with Sasaki to organize work sessions with campus and community stakeholders, held multiple open house forums, conducted campus surveys, and traveled the state to gather feedback from the statewide community. The master plan and utility plan are intended to establish institutional priorities and strategic organizational goals to enable prudent resource allocation choices that continue to advance the campus strategically. The plan identifies action items, implementation strategies and general guidelines intended to direct the ongoing development and operations of the university.

Interim Vice President for Administration Bill Mai expressed his appreciation for Sasaki, Senior Advisor to the Vice President for Finance and Administration Carolyn Smith, and Campus Architect Matthew Newman's work on the UW Campus Master plan. Sasaki representative Caitlyn Clauson introduced the Sasaki team; each provided narrative to the UW Campus Master Plan presentation presented to the Board. Acting President Neil Theobald expressed his appreciation for the work, and spoke to the efforts put toward providing for student engagement. Trustee John McKinley concurred with Theobald's comments and reminded the Board and the campus community the information presented should be considered a road map for future action and there were projects identified in the plan that were not yet authorized by the Board. Trustee Kermit Brown discussed the east campus public land connections as represented on the plan which further supported extensions of student life.

UW Campus Master Plan

Approved 05-14-2020 @ 10:55 a.m.

Trustee Kermit Brown moved the Board accept the Campus Master Plan as proposed. Trustee John McKinley seconded the motion. The motion carried with a unanimous decision.

AGENDA ITEM TITLE: UW Residencies and Clinics next steps, Jones

MINUTES OF THE MEETING:

College of Health Science Dean David Jones provided the Board background on the Family Medicine Residency Program (FMRP). Jones restated the advantages to the university's involvement as a co-applicant, and the FMRP clinics in Cheyenne and Casper, and the Albany Community Health Clinic in Laramie designations as Federally Qualified Health Centers (FQHC). Jones reminded the co-applicant agreement was developed in response to Governor Mead's directive to identify alternative sources of revenue to support the FMRP clinics. Jones provided an update on the discussions being held regarding next steps in modification of the current co-applicant agreement and the expectations for a long term plan outlining the future of the relationships within the agreement.

Thursday, May 14, 2020

Business meeting

Via Video Conference

Roll Call

The business meeting was called to order at 3:35 p.m. Deputy Secretary, UW Board of Trustees RoseMarie London took roll.

Trustees participating: Mel Baldwin, Brad Bonner, Kermit Brown, David Fall, Brad LaCroix, Jeff Marsh, John McKinley, Macey Moore, Dick Scarlett, Laura Schmid-Pizzato, Michelle Sullivan, and Dave True. Ex-officio Trustees participating: University Acting President Neil Theobald, and State Superintendent of Public Instruction Jillian Balow were in attendance. Governor Mark Gordon, Executive Director of Wyoming Community College Commission Sandy Caldwell, and ASUW President Riley Talamantes were not in attendance.

Approval of Board of Trustees Meeting Minutes (Public Session and Executive Session)

- April 15, 2020, UW Board of Trustees Conference Call Meeting

Per W.S. Sec. 21-17-206, UW Board of Trustees Secretary Michelle Sullivan was administered an Oath of Office.

Reports

ASUW Report, Talamantes

MINUTES OF THE MEETING:

ASUW President Riley Talamantes reported on her recent election and transition into office. Talamantes said ASUW would be hiring a chief of staff and a director of marketing. Talamantes closed her report stating a survey to students regarding the spring semester and social distancing would open on May 15, 2020.

Staff Senate Report, Wheeler

MINUTES OF THE MEETING:

Re-elected Staff Senate President James Wheeler stated he was pleased to continue his role and reported the Staff Senate executive positions had all been filled.

Faculty Senate Report, Chestek

MINUTES OF THE MEETING:

Outgoing Faculty Senate Chairman Kenneth Chestek thanked the board for opportunities to participate in important Board decisions of the last year. Chestek also stated he was pleased to have taken part in the work of the task force on shared governance.

Public Testimony [*Scheduled for Thursday, May 14, 2020, from 11:00-11:30 a.m.*]

Sandy Hoy Helzer, a member of the Health Corporation Board for Kappa Kappa Gamma, applauded those involved in creating the UW Campus Master Plan but expressed her concern of how some of the proposed changes would affect fraternity and sorority life at the University of Wyoming.

Committee of the Whole

Board Committee Reports [*Scheduled for Thursday, May 14, 2020, 1:30 p.m.*]

Liaisons to Other Boards

- *UW Alumni Association Board* – Laura Schmid-Pizzato
- *Foundation Board* – Macey Moore
- *Haub School of Environment & Natural Resources* – Michelle Sullivan
- *Energy Resources Council* – Dave True
- *Cowboy Joe* – John McKinley

Written reports were provided to the Board in advance of the meeting and can be found on the University of Wyoming Board of Trustees website.

OTHER ACTIONS TAKEN DURING MEETING

Approved 05-14-20 @ 3:57 p.m.

Approval of Minutes

Trustee Mel Baldwin moved approval of the April 15, 2020, UW Board of Trustees Conference Call Meeting minutes. Trustee David Fall seconded the motion. The motion passed with a unanimous decision.

Litigation Matter

Approved 05-14-2020 @ 4:12 p.m.

Trustee Mel Baldwin moved the Board authorize general counsel to take appropriate measures related to potential litigation, as discussed by the Board during executive session. Trustee David Fall seconded the motion. The motion carried with a unanimous decision.

Agreement between Wyoming Business Council and the University of Wyoming

Approved 05-14-2020 @ 4:12 p.m.

Trustee Brad Bonner moved the Board authorize administration to sign the Agreement between Wyoming Business Council and the University of Wyoming. Trustee Brad LaCroix seconded the motion. The motion carried with a unanimous decision.

Agreement between the University of Wyoming and Burgener Trucking for the Fuel Supply for Central Energy Plant

Approved 05-14-2020 @ 4:13 p.m.

Trustee Brad Bonner moved the Board authorize administration to sign the Agreement between the University of Wyoming and Burgener Trucking for the Fuel Supply for Central Energy Plant. Trustee Macey Moore seconded the motion. Trustee Jeff Marsh abstained from the vote. The motion carried.

Ellucian Renewal Order Form for Cloud Software

Approved 05-14-2020 @ 4:14 p.m.

Trustee Bonner moved the Board authorize administration to sign the Ellucian Renewal Order Form for Cloud Software. Trustee Brad LaCroix seconded the motion. The motion carried with a unanimous decision.

Agreement for Services with AssistLeadership, LLC

Approved 05-14-2020 @ 4:14 p.m.

Trustee Brad Bonner moved the Board authorize administration to execute the Agreement for Services with AssistLeadership, LLC. Trustee David Fall seconded the motion. The motion carried with a unanimous decision.

Contracts and Grants Report

Approved 05-14-2020 @ 4:15 p.m.

Trustee David Fall moved to approve the Contract and Grants Report as presented to the Board. Trustee Macey Moore seconded the motion. The motion carried with a unanimous decision.

Treasurer's Bond

Approved 05-14-2020 @ 4:16 p.m.

Trustee David Fall moved to approve the Vice President for Finance and Administration and the Associate Vice President for Financial Affairs to execute \$1,000,000.00 bonds to fulfill the requirement of Wyoming Statute 21-17-203. Trustee Dick Scarlett seconded the motion. The motion carried by a unanimous decision.

Depositories

Approved 05-14-2020 @ 4:17 p.m.

Trustee Kermit Brown moved to approve the depositories for UW funds as presented to the Board. Trustee Brad Bonner seconded the motion. The motion carried with a unanimous decision.

Personnel Report

Approved 05-14-2020 @ 4: 17 p.m.

Trustee Michelle Sullivan moved to approve the personnel report as provided to the Board. Trustee Macey Moore seconded the motion. Trustee Mel Baldwin abstained from the vote. The motion carried.

Personnel Matter

Approval 05-14-2020 @ 4:18 p.m.

Trustee John McKinley moved the Board authorize administration to take appropriate measures related to the personnel matter, as discussed by the Board of Trustees during executive session. Trustee Brad Lacroix seconded the motion. The motion carried with a unanimous decision.

Wyoming State Bar Exam Facilities Use

Approved 05-14-2020 @ 4:26 p.m.

Trustee John McKinley moved the Board authorize the Wyoming State Bar to use university facilities-to host-the Wyoming Bar Examination as long as they adhere to social distancing guidelines by the CDC and Wyoming Department of Health. Trustee Kermit Brown seconded the motion. Vice President and General Counsel Tara Evans provided a friendly amendment without objection to require a written facilities use agreement between UW and the Wyoming State Bar. The motion carried with a unanimous decision.

New Business

Trustee Jeff Marsh discussed the Wyoming Bar Association's facility request for July 28-29, 2020.

Date of Next Meeting

June 10, 2020 (conference call)

Adjournment

The meet was adjourned at 5:12 p.m.

Executive Session Information

[The UW Board of Trustees met in Executive Session on Thursday, May 14, 2020, via video conference.]

Executive Session

Thursday, May 14, 2020

7:00-9:15 a.m.

Via Video Conference

The University of Wyoming Board of Trustees called the meeting to order at 7:00 a.m. Trustee Michelle Sullivan moved the Board enter into Executive Session for the purpose of:

1. Matters concerning litigation to which the governing body is a party or proposed litigation to which the governing body may be a party under Wyoming Statute 16-4-405(a)(iii);
2. Receiving information classified as confidential by law under Wyoming Statute 16-4-405(a)(ix); and
3. Consideration of the appointment, employment, right to practice or dismissal of a public employee under Wyoming Statute 16-4-405(a)(ii).

The Executive Session was attended by the 12 voting members of the Trustees, ex-officio trustees, and UW administrators and staff as appropriate. Trustee Dick Scarlett seconded the motion, which passed unanimously. The Board entered Executive Session at 7:05 a.m.

Trustees participating: Mel Baldwin, Brad Bonner, Kermit Brown, David Fall, Brad LaCroix, Jeff Marsh, John McKinley, Macey Moore, Laura Schmid-Pizzato, Dick Scarlett, Michelle Sullivan, and Dave True. Ex-officio Trustees participating: University of Wyoming Acting President Neil Theobald, ASUW President Riley Talamantes, Executive Director for Wyoming Community College Commission Sandy Caldwell, and State Superintendent of Public Instruction Jillian Balow. Governor Mark Gordon was not in attendance; Senior Policy Advisor Lachelle Brant attended on his behalf.

Vice President and General Counsel Tara Evans, UW Board of Trustees Deputy Secretary RoseMarie London, and IT Specialist Lisa Stafford attended the entirety of the meeting. The following administrators attended during their respective topics: Vice President for Research and Economic Development Ed Synakowski; Interim Vice President for Administration Bill Mai; Associate Vice President for Financial Affairs David Jewell; Vice President for Academic Affairs and Provost Kate Miller; Vice Provost Tami Benham Deal; Chair of the University Reappointment, Tenure and Promotion Committee, Michael Urynowicz; Outside Counsel, Rob Jarosh, Hirst Applegate.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "RoseMarie London".

RoseMarie London
Deputy Secretary, UW Board of Trustees

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Rachel Weis".

Rachel Weis
Senior Administrative Assistant