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**TRUSTEES OF THE UNIVERSITY OF WYOMING
SUMMARY MINUTES**

**PUBLIC SESSION
November 16 - 18, 2022**

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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
Wednesday, November 16 -Friday, November 18, 2022
Wyoming Union
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 16, 2022, Thursday, November 17, 2022, and Friday, November 18, 2022. Trustee Committees met on Wednesday, November 16, 2022. The Board's business meeting was held on Friday, November 18, 2022.

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AGENDA ITEM TITLE: UW Board of Trustees Recognition – Members of the Pilot Hill Project Board

MINUTES OF THE MEETING

Pilot Hill Project Executive Director Sarah Brown Mathews, and Pilot Hill Project Board members Leah Burgess and Charlie DeWolf presented the Board a token of recognition for its support of the project. Trustee Dave True acknowledged Trustee Kermit Brown’s efforts toward bringing the project to fruition. There was Board discussion about access to recreation on public land and the benefits to the community. Trustee Michelle Sullivan expressed her gratitude to all involved in the efforts to make the Pilot Hill Project a reality.

AGENDA ITEM TITLE: Introduction – Special Assistant to President Seidel Kelsey Kyne

MINUTES OF THE MEETING

UW President Ed Seidel introduced Kelsey Kyne Special Assistant to the President. Kyne briefly addressed the Board.

AGENDA ITEM TITLE: Highlighting Research Excellence; Developing Research and Education Programs in Quantum Information Science and Engineering – Chitnis

MINUTES OF THE MEETING:

The Board received a [presentation](#) by Dr. Qian-Quan Sun called Building a Center for Brain Research Excellence: Wyoming Sensory Biology COBRE (WSBC). Sun described the WSBC Phase I accomplishments, and the \$10.5M Phase II award for 2022-2027. Sun discussed research related to the neural basis for learning, memory and emotions, Alzheimer’s disease, and spinal cord injury. Sun described state of the art Integrated Microscopy Core (IMC) that is a platform for campus-wide research and innovation.

AGENDA ITEM TITLE: Revenue Generating Dining Options – Kean

MINUTES OF THE MEETING:

Vice President for Budget and Finance Alex Kean provided the Board information related to the university’s process for choosing an on-campus retail operation and discussed the results of the October 2022 survey related to selection of a dining option. Kean reported there were 4,201 responses to the survey; 2,720 votes were cast in favor of Chick-fil-A. Kean further reported 1,293 comments were received, of those 230 expressed concerns regarding the LGBTQIA+ community. In response to Trustee inquiry, Kean discussed the financial analysis, and the current revenue generation and traffic flow in the Wyoming Union. Kean stated Chick-fil-A provides an opportunity to reinvigorate the net revenue to the institution through retail dining. ASUW President Allison Brown stated that ASUW acknowledges a large majoring of students, including a majority of LGBTQIA+ students who responded to its own survey, support Chick-fil-A as an on-campus dining option. Brown discussed ASUW Senate Resolution #2835 which was provided to the Board, which states that “ASUW believes that, to directly support students who may be adversely impacted, if a Chick-fil-A is brought to the University of Wyoming, a significant portion of the proceeds generated by the presence of a Chick-fil-A on campus should go directly back to students, especially those in the LGBTQIA+ community.” Trustee John McKinley recommended

ASUW incorporate its recommendation into the formal budget process and encouraged Brown to seek guidance from Kean, Vice President for Student Affairs Kim Chestnut, and President Ed Seidel. Trustee Laura Schmid-Pizzato stated her support for a Chick-Fil-A dining option. Trustee David Fall stated his initial concerns have been alleviated through the survey results and further research on company history. Trustee Michelle Sullivan concurred. Trustee John McKinley called for public comment. There was no public comment on the topic.

***Chick-fil-A/The University of Wyoming License Agreement
11-17-2022 @ 1:38 p.m.***

Trustee David Fall moved the Board authorize administration to execute the Chick-Fil-A/University of Wyoming License Agreement. Trustee Jeff Marsh seconded the motion. The motion carried with a unanimous vote.

**AGENDA ITEM TITLE: “Saddle Up” Further Analysis – Seidel/Carman/Alexander/Chestnut
MINUTES OF THE MEETING:**

Provost and Executive Vice President for Academic Affairs Kevin Carman, Vice Provost for Strategic Planning and Initiatives Anne Alexander, Vice President for Student Affairs Kim Chestnut, and Associate Vice President and Dean of Student Success and Graduation Nycole Courtney provided the Board summary of the 2022 Saddle Up assessment, which through survey feedback of stakeholder groups, identified common themes and areas where the program can be improved. The following changes to the program for 2023 include: elimination of “Adulting 101”; change to course and peer assisted study sessions (PASS) schedule; more “your choice” times; simplified course offerings and harmonization of course expectation; changes to move-in and move-in day logistics; alteration of meal schedule and extended transit times; elimination of redundant content; refined commuter student Saddle Up; and reiteration of program student learning outcomes (SLO). It was noted that Provost Carman appointed a committee to evaluate the First-Year Seminar (FYS).

Trustee Jeff Marsh expressed appreciation of modifications to the Saddle Up program further stating the Trustees continue to receive constituent reaction to the 2022 programming. Trustee Michelle Sullivan expressed appreciation for the qualitative examination of the 2022 program and recommended further effort to effectively communicate to students what they might expect. Trustee Brad Bonner also expressed appreciation for the examination of the program and administration’s willingness to adjust. Trustee Elizabeth Greenwood noted the difficulty to launching a new program, and congratulated administration on the effort and the willingness to course correct.

In response to inquiry from Trustee John McKinley, Courtney stated 2023 program information could be provided to the Board at its March 2023 meeting and discussed communication pathways by which stakeholders can continue to provide feedback on the 2022 and future programming. Trustee McKinley inquired whether a mechanism has been in place to respond to and recognize the comments received in response to Saddle Up. Carman stated the materials presented today are evidence of responsiveness and could consider other opportunities.

In response to inquiry from Trustee Carol Linton regarding retention data as a result of the 2022 Saddle Up program, Provost Carman stated the Spring 2023 Census data might be the first indicator, though examination fall-to-fall retention rates might form a more accurate picture.

Carman went on to discuss the need to improve fall-to-fall retention at the university. In response to inquiry from Trustee Kermit Brown, Carman stated that a fall-to-fall retention rate of above 76% would be considered “healthy”; 80% being the peer benchmark. Carman noted the ambition to reach 85% in the next few years.

Trustee McKinley discussed the difficulty judging a change in retention as a result of the Saddle Up program. Carman stated implementation of the Navigate platform, and the creation of Cowboy Coaches will also have an impact and agreed it will be difficult to determine direct effects of the Saddle Up program. Carman stated that one indicator might be those students who experienced the Saddle Up program expressing interest in being student mentors for a future Saddle Up.

ASUW President Allison Brown discussed the ASUW survey results related to the 2022 Saddle Up Program and the recommendations for future Saddle Up programming as provided to the Board in its meeting materials.

Trustee McKinley thanked the group for the presentation and looked forward to a successful program next fall.

AGENDA ITEM TITLE: Update on AMK Ranch – Chitnis/Mai

MINUTES OF THE MEETING:

Vice President for Research and Economic Development Parag Chitnis provided the Board an update on planning for programming at AMK Ranch for the 2023 season. Chitnis reported Zoology and Physiology Professor Michael Dillon has been appointed interim AMK Ranch director. Chitnis described the process for requests for research opportunities at AMK Ranch. Chitnis discussed hiring a research coordinator through an EPSCoR grant to be on site May 2023. Vice President for Campus Operations Bill Mai provided the Board an update on facilities upgrades and other construction at the AMK Ranch. Mai discussed plans for winter maintenance and anticipation of a June 15, 2023, opening. There was Board discussion about a Park Service structure and that the university is responsible for its removal. Mai stated it was important it be attended to in a timely manner. Mai stated the plan to replace the structure. There was Board discussion about the university’s capital construction funding request for a dorm and kitchen facility, and any action by the legislature at its 2023 General Session will be effective immediately. Mai stated pending funding contractors will be ready to begin work Summer 2023. Trustee John McKinley requested an update on programming at AMK at the March 2023 meeting.

AGENDA ITEM TITLE: Update: EAB Navigate Implementation Report – Carman/Alexander/ Miller

MINUTES OF THE MEETING:

Vice Provost for Strategic Initiatives Anne Alexander provided a summary update on the implementation of the EAB Navigate advising platform to include data on usage, interventions and campaigns, and overall user experience. Alexander and Center for Advising and Career Services Director Richard Miller described the implementation planning and initial rollout users in preparation for a January 2022 launch. The Board was provided data related to student usage and appointments January – October 2022 and discussed the top five reasons students made appointments through the platform. Alexander described the holistic advising philosophy at the

University of Wyoming and the way in which the Navigate platform made it possible to support students. In response to inquiry from Trustee Michelle Sullivan, Miller discussed the ability of an advisor to identify markers and proactively reach out to students. In response to inquiry from ASUW President Allison Brown, Alexander discussed “care units” and the user permissions within the Navigate application. Alexander concluded the presentation with next steps toward full integration of the platform.

AGENDA ITEM TITLE: Discussion: UW Fee Book proposal for upcoming academic year-
Kean

MINUTES OF THE MEETING:

Vice President for Budget and Finance Alex Kean discussed the timeline for input on the student-facing and business enterprises fee books. Kean stated the results will be brought forward at the March 2023 Board meeting.

AGENDA ITEM TITLE: Discussion: Tuition Policy – Kean

MINUTES OF THE MEETING:

Vice President for Budget and Finance Alex Kean reported the Biennium Budget Committee discussed the current Tuition Policy contemplating potential changes. In response to inquiry from Trustee John McKinley, Kean stated feedback from constituent groups would be collected in a timely manner. Faculty Senate Chairman Renee Laegreid stated Faculty Senate could provide feedback in time for a report to the Board at its January 2023 meeting. In response to inquiry from Trustee David Fall, Trustee Dave True provided background information on Trustees approval of the 2019 Tuition Policy. Trustee True discussed that the Board had engaged in a robust discussion and considered changes in response to budget cuts. Trustee Jeff Marsh added there was examination of peer institution policies which informed the Board’s decision.

AGENDA ITEM TITLE: Discussion: Financial Aid Plan – Kean

MINUTES OF THE MEETING:

Vice President for Budget and Finance Alex Kean provided background information on the university’s Financial Aid Strategy approved at the Board’s July 2019 meeting for the 2020-21 and 2021-22 awarding cycles. Kean stated the strategy was modified at the Board’s June 2022 meeting for the 2022-23 awarding cycle and in May 2022 for the 2023-24 awarding cycle. Kean stated that to utilize institutional and foundation resources in a more strategic manner and to enhance recruitment and retention, administration brought recommendations to the Biennium Budget Committee at its November 16, 2022, meeting. Kean stated final recommendations will be provided to the Board for consideration at its January 2023 meeting. Trustee Laura Schmid-Pizzato, Chairman of the Biennium Budget Committee requested Trustees familiarize themselves with materials provided in advance of the January 2023 discussion.

AGENDA ITEM TITLE: Q & A: UW Strategic Plan 2022+ – Seidel/Carman/Alexander/Chestnut

MINUTES OF THE MEETING:

UW President Ed Seidel and Provost and Executive Vice President for Academic Affairs Kevin Carman added perspective on the exhaustive process toward creating the [UW Strategic Plan 2022+](#). Vice Provost for Strategic Initiatives Anne Alexander discussed the documents provided

in the Board's meeting materials created by the Strategic Planning Council. Alexander discussed the draft *UW Strategic Plan 2022+* which described Values, Vision, Mission, Value Proposition, and five Goals; and the Strategic Implemental Plan which Alexander stated is a work-in-progress and will outline actions necessary, responsible parties, timeline, and resources need to achieve the Strategic Plan goals. Alexander welcomed Board feedback on the materials.

Vice President for Student Affairs Kim Chestnut provided further context to the objectives in the plan which include Ensuring Student Success; Pursuit of Institutional Excellence, Providing for a Supporting Community; Engagement with and Service to the State; and Ensuring Financial Stability and Diversification. Chestnut stated that the outcome feels like it meets the collective needs of a large group of constituents. In response to Trustee inquiry, Alexander discussed *Relationship Rich Education* which she said, informed the direction of the plan.

Trustee Dave True expressed appreciation for the brevity of the materials, and the ability to distill the plan to succinct points and questioned the specific reference to Tribal Communities and its placement in the document stating his concern that naming a single group naturally excludes others. To that end, Trustee John McKinley discussed the reference to a "thriving" community, and recommended thought be given to language chosen in the document to avoid its implying exclusion. There was significant Board discussion about implications of language and appropriate subject placement throughout the plan. In response to remarks from members of the Board Executive Director Wyoming Community College Commission Sandy Caldwell stated that she can see where and how collaboration with the community colleges has been embedded in the document.

Trustee True recommended an additional bullet point in the Strategic Plan under "UW's Ongoing Objectives" to state [they are] "reflective of the values and the cultures of the state of Wyoming." Trustee Michelle Sullivan voiced discomfort with the recommendation, saying Wyoming does not necessarily have a homogenous set of values. In response, there was discussion of the subjective language throughout the plan. Trustee Kermit Brown cautioned to be mindful of the state's current perception of the university. Trustee McKinley discussed the university's land-grant and flagship mission which are not mutually exclusive, and recommended alignment with descriptive language in the Morrill Act of 1862 and the Wyoming Constitution.

AGENDA ITEM TITLE: Status Report of Exploring Potential Opportunities in Teton Country – Seidel

MINUTES OF THE MEETING:

UW President Ed Seidel reported on the status of the university's investigation of opportunities to expand its presence in Teton County. President Seidel reported he convened a UW Statewide Presence Enhancement Working Group and assigned Vice President for Campus Operations Bill Mai, and Vice President for Research and Economic Development Parag Chitnis as co-chairman. President Seidel stated the group will provide recommendations that identify strategic opportunities for expansion and building upon existing UW programming and infrastructure including UW Casper, AMK Ranch Research Station, Impact 307, UW Research & Extension Centers, UW Neltje Center, Small Business Development Centers, and Manufacturing Works. President Seidel noted consideration will be paid to the university's capacity to execute new initiatives. Trustee John McKinley discussed the Teton County ballot initiative enabling an

expansion of Central Wyoming College in the area. Trustee Brad Bonner stated the university should always be open to thorough examination of opportunities as they arise.

AGENDA ITEM TITLE: Annual Reports – Thomas/Lyford/Wright

MINUTES OF THE MEETING:

Trustees Education Initiative – Thomas

College of Education Dean Scott Thomas provided an overview of the current and next phase activities of the Trustees Education Initiative (TEI). Thomas discussed the Wyoming School University Partnership and its improved alignment with the work of TEI. Thomas reported the next phased of work (TEI 2.0) reframes the commitment to the career of “Master Teacher” in response to shifts in the external environment impacting Wyoming schools and teachers. Scott discussed the College and Career Readiness (High Altitude Pathways) project funded through a three year \$1.3M UW Department of Education Rural and Economic Development Grant. Scott described the status and progress of the Wyoming Teacher Mentor Corps (WTMC), and the Master Educator Competency Program (MECP). Thomas concluded with a brief update on staffing, facilities, governing board composition, and the TEI budget.

Science Initiative – Lyford

Botany Lecturer Mark Lyford provided the Board a brief summary of activities and accomplishments related to the Science Initiative (SI). Lyford noted the move in to the Science Initiative Building began June 2022 by 22 faculty and 93 research scientists, post-docs and graduate students. Lyford reported SI programs continue to expand, noting the 1st Annual UW STEM Carnival which took place in the fall and showcased STEM programs and campus departments. Lyford provided the Board information about the Wyoming Research Scholars Program (WRSP) which pairs undergraduate students with faculty mentors to participate cutting-edge research as early as freshman year, and the Learning Actively Mentoring Program (LAMP) that trains instructors and learning assistance how best to adopt active learning strategies for STEM courses at the university and Wyoming Community Colleges. Lyford stated that the future director of the SI will be guided by UW President Ed Seidel’s “SI 2025” vision and will be implemented by the newly organized SI Executive Committee and a SI Faculty Leadership Committee. Botany Professor Greg Brown responded to Trustee inquiry regarding the competitive space allocation. Vice President for Research and Economic Development Parag Chitnis added the perspective that it had been necessary to unravel miscommunication about occupancy requirements. In response to inquiry from Trustee Carol Linton, Lyford provided information about the SI Roadshow which, under Director Karagh Brummond, expands its outreach and inreach opportunities. Trustee John McKinley requested administration concisely distill the written materials provided to the Board to one page to be provided to the legislature’s Joint Appropriation Committee at the university’s budget hearing in December 2022.

Tier I Engineering – Wright

College of Engineering Dean Cam Wright provided the Board a brief update on activities related to Tier I Engineering (EI) which was first funded by the Wyoming Legislature in 2015. Wright stated considerable progress has been made in academic programs, student success, research activities, and facilities. Wright stated funding of these areas continues with new investments in

shared equipment and new research opportunities. Wright stated additional funding has been requested as part of the university's supplemental budget request to the governor, and that new planning initiatives are being directed by UW President Ed Seidel through his "Engineering and Physical Sciences 2030" plan.

AGENDA ITEM TITLE: Academic and Student Affairs Committee – Michelle Sullivan (Chair)

MINUTES OF THE MEETING:

Trustee Michelle Sullivan stated the Academic and Student Affairs committee received information from School of Computing (SoC) Director Gabrielle Allen, and WyGISC Director Jeff Hamerkinck on the proposal to move WyGISC into the School of Computing which will strengthen both units and allow SoC to leverage an existing core of expertise.

Integration of WyGISC with the School of Computing

11-17-2022 @ 3:55 p.m.

Trustee Michelle Sullivan moved the Board approve the proposal for the integration of WyGISC with the School of Computing. Trustee Macey Moore seconded the motion. The motion carried. Trustee Dave True was absent from the vote.

Trustee Sullivan went on to discuss the proposal that the Program in Ecology be renamed the Program in Ecology and Evolution (PiE2) and recommended the following action.

Name Change: Program in Ecology to Program in Ecology and Evolution

11-17-2022 @ 3:57 p.m.

Trustee Michelle Sullivan moved the Board authorize administration to change the name of the Program in Ecology to Program in Ecology and Evolution. Trustee Macey Moore seconded the motion. The motion carried. Trustee Dave True was absent from the vote.

Trustee Sullivan discussed the Master of Engineering degree in Energy and Petroleum Engineering which will be delivered primarily on campus with a distance education delivery option. Trustee Sullivan stated the proposed new degree is consistent with the department's vision and will attract and retain a more diverse pool of applicants. Trustee Sullivan stated that the Academic and Student Affairs Committee will seek input from the UW Provost to implement a formal process to revisit new programs and assure these programs are fulfilling intent.

Notice of Intent: Master of Engineering in Energy and Petroleum Engineering

11-17-2022 @ 4:00 p.m.

Trustee Michelle Sullivan moved the Board approve the Notice of Intent for the Master of Engineering in Energy and Petroleum Engineering. Trustee Macey Moore seconded the motion. The motion carried. Trustee Dave True was absent from the vote.

Trustee Sullivan recommended the following action.

Notice of Intent: Bachelor of Science in Ranch Management and Agricultural Leadership

11-17-2022 @ 4:04 p.m.

Trustee Michelle Sullivan moved the Board approve the Notice of Intent for the Bachelor of Science in Ranch Management and Agricultural Leadership. Trustee Macey Moore seconded the motion. The motion carried with a unanimous vote.

***Request for Authorization: Undergraduate Carbon Capture Utilization and Storage Certificate
11-17-2022 @ 4:06 p.m.***

Trustee Michelle Sullivan moved the Board approve the Request for Authorization for the Undergraduate Certificate in Carbon Capture Utilization and Storage. Trustee Macey Moore seconded the motion. The motion carried with a unanimous vote.

***Request for Authorization: Undergraduate Land Administration Certificate
11-17-2022 @ 4:07 p.m.***

Trustee Michelle Sullivan moved the Board approve the Request for Authorization for the Undergraduate Certificate in Land Administration. Trustee Elizabeth Greenwood seconded the motion. The motion carried with a unanimous vote.

**AGENDA ITEM TITLE: Biennium Budget Committee – Laura Schmid-Pizzato (Chair)
MINUTES OF THE MEETING:**

Trustee Laura Schmid-Pizzato requested Vice President for Budget and Finance Alex Kean provide the Board explanation of a discrepancy noted in the Fiscal Year End Carry Forward Report. Kean stated the Division of Administration was dissolved after FY2022 and was split into two Divisions: Campus Operations Division and the Budget and Finance Division. Kean stated the carry forward policy is backward looking based on the results from the prior fiscal year and allows a division to carry forward a reserve balance up to a cap, and that any funds in excess of that cap transfer into the Trustees Special Projects Reserve Account. Kean stated the FY2022 net result of the previous administration division was a favorable net result i.e. the revenues net the expenses were higher than budgeted but only because of the performance of the organizations that make up the new Budget and Finance Division. Kean stated administration requested the Biennium Budget Committee consider allowing the new campus operations division to carry forward some of the budget and finance favorable net result so that its reserve account is also fully funded. Kean stated that if approved, the result will be less available fund balance to be transferred into the Trustees Special Project Reserve Account.

***Fiscal Year End Carry Forward Report and Process
11-17-2022 @ 4:09 p.m.***

Trustee Laura Schmid-Pizzato moved the Board approve the draft allocation of the Fiscal Year End Carry Forward Report as provided to the Biennium Budget Committee and the process that went into creating it. Trustee Carol Linton seconded the motion. The motion carried with a unanimous vote.

Trustee Schmid-Pizzato described the committee's discussion to adjust the Memorandum of Understanding with the UW Foundation to reflect the original intent for the use of UW Early Career and Promising Faculty Start up and Research University Fund. Trustee John McKinley stated the university owns mineral interests in Laramie County on which it entered into an oil and gas lease, and royalties from this lease provided the initial startup funds on this endowment. Trustee McKinley further stated the earnings are available on an annual basis for expenditure. Trustee Dave True expressed pleasure after some delay the funds have been awarded.

***UW Early Career and Promising Faculty Start Up & Research University Fund
11-17-2022 @ 4:18 p.m.***

Trustee Laura Schmid-Pizzato moved the Board approve the UW Early Career and Promising Faculty Start Up and Research University Fund. Trustee Schmid-Pizzato further moved the Fund shall be used to support start-up costs and provide research opportunities for incoming and promising UW faculty. Foremost priority is for faculty within the Energy and Petroleum Engineering Department. Second priority is for faculty whose research interest(s) concern energy. If the Fund cannot be given to the first or second priorities, faculty whose research interests are in engineering may be considered. The UW President, in consultation with the UW Provost, reserve the right for the Fund to support faculty in other disciplines if the aforementioned priorities aren't applicable in any given awarding cycle. The spending authority for the Fund shall be the UW President, or her/his designee. Trustee Carol Linton seconded the motion. The motion carried with a unanimous vote.

***Special Projects Reserve Request: Gift/Endowment Matching Funds
11-17-2022 @ 4:23 p.m.***

Trustee Laura Schmid-Pizzato moved the Board authorize administration to utilize sixty thousand dollars (\$60,000) of previously committed funds for matching purposes. Trustee Carol Linton seconded the motion. The motion carried with a unanimous vote.

Trustee Schmid-Pizzato discussed the committee's consideration of a tuition adjustment for distance non-resident undergraduate education and reported the university's tuition rate for this category does not currently align with university peers. In response to Trustee inquiry, Interim Vice Provost for Digital, Distance and Online Education Ben Cook discussed state statute regulates active duty Military tuition rates.

***Distance, Non-Resident Undergraduate Tuition
11-17-2022 @ 4:25 p.m.***

Trustee Laura Schmid-Pizzato moved the Board authorize administration to change the non-resident online undergraduate tuition rate to \$345 per credit hour and recommend a non-resident undergraduate active-duty military rate of \$250 (including spouses and children). Trustee Carol Linton seconded the motion. The motion carried with a unanimous vote.

***EHCW and FMRP Organizational Structure
11-17-2022 @ 4:28 p.m.***

Trustee Laura Schmid-Pizzato moved to rescind the motion directing President Seidel to transition the Educational Health Center of Wyoming (EHCW) to an independent Federally Qualified Healthcare Center (FQHC) adopted at the October 2020 meeting. Trustee Carol Linton seconded the motion. The motion carried via a unanimous roll call vote.

Trustee Laura Schmid-Pizzato further moved the Board direct administration to explore the establishment of a Wyoming Graduate Medical Education Consortium, with a report back to the Board of Trustees in May 2023. Trustee David Fall seconded the motion. The motion carried with a unanimous vote .

Repayment Agreement with Clean Coal Technology, Inc./Black Diamond Financial Group

11-17-2022 @ 4:31 p.m.

Trustee Dave True moved the Board authorize administration to execute the Repayment Agreement with Clean Coal Technology, Inc. and Black Diamond Financial Group. Trustee Jeff Marsh seconded the motion. The motion carried with a unanimous vote.

AGENDA ITEM TITLE: Facilities Contracting Committee – Kermit Brown (Chair)

MINUTES OF THE MEETING:

Trustee Kermit Brown provided the Board an update on topics considered during the Facilities Contracting Committee meeting and proposed the following recommended action.

College of Law GMP

11-17-2022 @ 4:32 p.m.

Trustee Kermit Brown moved the Board authorize administration to execute a contract with FCI Constructors of Wyoming, LLC for a Guaranteed Maximum Price not-to-exceed Thirty Million Nine Hundred and Thirty-Six Thousand, Five Hundred and Eleven dollars (\$30,936,511) for the College of Law Expansion and Renovation project and increase the total project budget to Thirty Eight Million dollars (\$38,000,000) with additional funding of Eight Million (\$8,000,000) to come from the FY2023-2024 Major Maintenance Appropriation and to execute a contract amendment with By Architectural Means in the not-to-exceed amount of Eight Thousand Nine Hundred and Ninety dollars (\$8,990.00). Trustee Jeff Marsh seconded the motion. The motion carried with a unanimous vote.

UW Campus Housing GMP

11-17-2022 @ 4:33 p.m.

Trustee Kermit Brown moved the Board authorize administration to execute a contract with JE Dunn Construction for the Student Housing and Dining project for a Guaranteed Maximum Price of construction not-to-exceed One Hundred Seventy-One Million Ninety-Four Thousand Eight Hundred and Ninety-Seven dollars (\$171,094,897.00) and to proceed with construction, with a total project budget of One Hundred and Ninety-Seven Million Five Hundred and Thirty-Nine Thousand and Fifty-Seven dollars (\$197,539,057). Trustee Carol Linton seconded the motion. The motion carried with a unanimous vote.

AGENDA ITEM TITLE: Fiscal and Legal Affairs Committee – Macey Moore (Chair)

MINUTES OF THE MEETING:

Trustee Macey Moore provided the Board update on the work of the committee to include the following recommended action.

Annual Audited Financial Reports FY22

11-17-2022 @ 4:38 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, University of Wyoming Alumni Association's Independent Audit Report and Financial Statements and the Agreed-Upon procedure reports for Intercollegiate Athletics and Cowboy Joe Club for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2022. Trustee Jeff Marsh seconded the motion. The motion carried with a unanimous vote.

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

MINUTES OF THE MEETING: Trustee Kermit Brown encouraged the Board to get to know newly elected legislators in their districts and discussed the climate of the election cycle and the temperament of the body.

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

MINUTES OF THE MEETING:

Trustee David Fall stated the committee received an update on the proposed organizational structure of the Research and Economic Development Division. There was full Board discussion about university processes related to patent applications. Vice President for Research and Economic Development Parag Chitnis reported on the status of hiring experienced technology transfer staff and provided example of ways the university supports innovators across the state. Other updates included: the Wyoming Innovation Partnership; and a brief overview of the Science Initiative annual report. Trustee Fall stated the committee received the following presentations: Entrepreneurship Portfolio – Impact 307; Resono Pressure Systems; and Eye to Eye Telehealth.

Friday, November 18, 2022

The UW Board of Trustees met with the Energy Resource Council for its annual Joint Meeting. This meeting took place on Friday, November 18, 2022. 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.

AGENDA ITEM TITLE: UW Regulation Committee – Kermit Brown (Chair)

MINUTES OF THE MEETING:

Trustee John McKinley discussed the invitation to Faculty Senate Chairman Renee Laegreid and Civil and Architectural Engineering Professor Michael Barker to discuss proposed modifications to University of Wyoming Regulation 2-13 (Academic Program Reorganization, Consolidation, Reduction and Discontinuance). Barker gave a history of UW Reg 2-13, detailed the issues that were found during the latest budget reductions, and talked about the modifications proposed by the Faculty Senate to address those issues. Barker stated the objectives of Faculty Senate's recommended modification to UW Regulation 2-13 is to incorporate flexibility for administration to effectively manage a budget reduction; and protect tenure at the university of Wyoming. Barker discussed his belief that in response to the recent budget crisis administration attempted to use the regulation as a personnel management tool. Barker stated the Board chose in the process to uphold tenure. Barker stated his belief tenure is awarded in name at the University of Wyoming in that according to the regulation, any renaming, discontinuance, or reorganization could be grounds for firing tenured faculty. Barker stated the proposed modifications to UW Regulation 2-13 contemplate discontinuance of a degree program as the only instance by which tenured faculty could be removed. Barker stated support of the recommended modification is an appropriate step. Laegreid discussed the distinction between discontinuance and a reorganization, and stated Barker's explanation of the Faculty Senate's viewpoint motivating the recommended modifications to the regulation was well stated.

Trustee John McKinley discussed the 2018 collaboration with Barker to address a series of university regulations which were reported by faculty to be of concern. Trustee McKinley stated he would like to take appropriate time to identify current concerns related to tenure and consider faculty's proposed modifications to UW Regulation 2-13 in a thoughtful manner. Trustee McKinley further stated that there are times when recognition of consolidation, discontinuance, or reorganization is healthy and important to the institution. Trustee Kermit Brown, Chairman of the UW Regulation Committee, stated that Barker and Laegreid's explanation has been helpful, and acknowledged there was an issue to be addressed.

Trustee Michelle Sullivan stated she does not feel the faculty interpretation of the process conducted in response to budget reduction was accurate and looked forward to a healthy decision about the proposed modifications. Trustee McKinley discussed next steps, suggesting Laegreid assign two faculty representatives convene with designees appointed by UW President Seidel and bring forward recommendations to the UW Regulation Committee before the January 2023 Board meeting.

Business Meeting

Roll Call

The business meeting was called to order at 1:10 p.m. on Friday, November 18, 2022. Deputy Secretary, UW Board of Trustees RoseMarie London took roll.

Trustees participating: Brad Bonner, Kermit Brown (Vice Chairman) via video conference, David Fall, Elizabeth Greenwood, Brad LaCroix, Jeff Marsh, John McKinley (Chairman), Laura Schmid-Pizzato (Secretary), Michelle Sullivan (Treasurer), and Dave True. Trustee Macey Moore was absent.

Ex officio Trustees participating: University President Ed Seidel, and ASUW President Allison Brown. Governor Mark Gordon, Wyoming Community College Commission Executive Director Sandy Caldwell, and State Superintendent of Public Instruction Brian Schroeder were absent.

Reports

ASUW Report

ASUW President Allison Brown provided a report on recent student government activities stating ASUW Senate has begun hosting special campus and community guests at its weekly meetings. Brown discussed the ASUW Resolution related to Chick-fil-A, the ongoing conversations regarding the budget for Multicultural Affairs and the Office of Diversity Equity and Inclusion, and appreciation for collaboration with Interim Associate Vice President for Budget and Institutional Planning Aaron Courtney on review of deployment of student fees, and the development of block tuition exemption processes. Brown discussed engagement across campus related to the 2022 General Election. Brown discussed the work of the Ad-Hoc Parking Committee and students' ongoing concerns about parking at the University of Wyoming. Brown expressed appreciation of administration's steps to ensure student safety within the parking garage, day lot accessibility, and extended bus hours. Brown acknowledged discussions about turning tailgating lots into commuter lots for students and expressed support. Brown discussed the option for monthly parking permits and a reduction in the cost for student parking. Brown closed her report

discussing the Fall Issues Survey and its responses to: Campus Resources; Disability Support Services; LGBTQIA+ Support; Chick-fil-A; Parking & Transportation; President Seidel's Evaluation; Student Mental Health; USPs and First Year Seminars; and Saddle Up. Trustee Michelle Sullivan thanked ASUW for joining the Trustees for lunch on Thursday, November 17, 2022. Trustee David Fall expressed appreciation for ASUW's in-depth report on campus parking.

Staff Senate Report

Staff Senate President Tim Nichols provided a brief report on Staff Senate activities to include budget planning and discussed conversations with administration related to equitable access to work clothing allotment across divisions. Nichols discussed the creation of a full-time Staff Senate Office Associate which will help expand the capacity of members of Staff Senate.

Faculty Senate Report

Faculty Senate Chairman Renee Laegreid spoke of the continued work of Faculty Senate on emerging topics relevant to faculty and their academic responsibilities, such as college reorganizations, the university's strategic planning, regulation and SAPP review, and pathways to effective shared governance. Laegreid discussed faculty participation in the presidential evaluation survey, that Faculty Senate leadership has met with UW President Seidel to discuss the survey and reported that General Counsel has received Faculty Senate's request for raw survey data. Laegreid reported the Faculty Senate Standing Academic Program Committee has added the following steps to its review process: To ensure a proposed program does not duplicate another program/degree on campus; and if the new program proposes to utilize courses from another department, there be a letter of acknowledgment that such use has been approved. Laegreid stated she looked forward to working with the incoming Vice Provost for Distance Education, and continued discussion with Senior Vice Provost Tamie Benham-Deal on assessing retention of the institution's associate professors. Trustee Kermit Brown expressed the need for faculty to identify redundancies.

Public Testimony *[Scheduled for Thursday, November 17, 2022, at 11:15 a.m.]*

There was no public testimony.

Committee of the Whole *[Scheduled for Thursday, November 17, 2022, at 3:00 p.m.]*

Liaisons to other Boards

Liaison to other Boards reports were provided in writing in advance of the November 2022 meeting and are available on the Trustees website.

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

OTHER ACTION TAKEN DURING MEETING

Approval of Minutes

11-18-2022 @ 1:10 p.m.

Trustee Laura Schmid-Pizzato moved the Board approve the October 12, 2022, public and executive session meeting minutes. Trustee Jeff Marsh seconded the motion. The motion carried. Trustee Macey Moore was absent for the vote.

Non Academic Personnel Report

11-18-2022 @ 1:34 p.m.

Trustee Elizabeth Greenwood moved the Board approve the non-academic personnel report as presented. Trustee Michelle Sullivan seconded the motion. The motion carried. Trustee Macey Moore was absent for the vote.

Memorandum of Understanding between the Secretary of State's Office and the University of Wyoming

11-18-2022 @ 1:35 p.m.

Trustee Brad Bonner moved the Board authorize administration to execute the Memorandum of Understanding between the Secretary of State's Office and the University of Wyoming. Trustee Jeff Marsh seconded the motion. The motion carried. Trustee Macey Moore was absent from the vote.

Letter of Agreement between the University of Wyoming and Wyoming Sports Properties, LLC

11-18-2022 @ 1:36 p.m.

Trustee Jeff Marsh moved the Board authorize administration to execute the Letter of Agreement between the University of Wyoming and Wyoming Sports Properties, LLC. Trustee Brad Bonner seconded the motion. The motion carried. Trustee Macey Moore was absent from the vote.

Memorandum of Understanding Establishing the Mountains and Plains Innovation Alliance

11-18-2022 @ 1:37 p.m.

Trustee Carol Linton moved the Board authorize administration to execute the Memorandum of Understanding Establishing the Mountains and Plains Innovation Alliance. Trustee Elizabeth Greenwood seconded the motion. The motion carried. Trustee Macey Moore was absent from the vote.

Riskconnect ClearSight LLC Renewal Subscription Order No. 1

11-18-2022 @ 1:37 p.m.

Trustee Brad LaCroix moved the Board authorize administration to execute the Riskconnect ClearSight LLC Renewal Subscription Order No. 1. Trustee Carol Linton seconded the motion. The motion carried. Trustee Macey Moore was absent from the vote.

Xerox Financial Services LLC Lease Agreement and Atlas Premier Service Agreement

11-18-2022 @ 1:37 p.m.

Trustee Brad LaCroix moved the Board authorize administration to execute the Xerox Financial Services LLC Lease Agreement, as amended, and the Atlas Premier Service Agreement. Trustee Brad Bonner seconded the motion. The motion carried. Trustee Macey Moore was absent from the vote.

Date of Next Meeting

December 14, 2022 (Conference Call)

Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 1:41 p.m.

Executive Session Information

[The UW Board of Trustees met in Executive Session on Thursday and Friday, November 17 and 18, 2022, in the Wyoming Union in Laramie, Wyoming.]

Executive Session I

Thursday, November 17, 2022

8:00 a.m.

Wyoming Union

The University of Wyoming Board of Trustees called the meeting to order at 8:10 a.m. Trustee Laura Schmid-Pizzato moved the Board enter into Executive Session for the purpose of discussing

1. 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)); and
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)).

The executive session was 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 into executive session at 8:12 a.m.

Trustees participating: Trustees Brad Bonner, Kermit Brown (via video conference), David Fall, Elizabeth Greenwood, Brad LaCroix, Carol Linton, Jeff Marsh, John McKinley, Macey Moore, Laura Schmid-Pizzato, Dave True, and Michelle Sullivan. Ex-officio members participating: UW President Ed Seidel, and ASUW President Allison Brown. Governor Mark Gordon, Wyoming Community College Commission Executive Director Sandy Caldwell, and State Superintendent for Public Instruction Brian Schroeder were not present.

Provost and Executive Vice President for Academic Affairs Kevin Carman, Vice President and General Counsel Tara Evans, Deputy General Counsel Paula Whaley, Deputy Secretary RoseMarie London, and IT Specialists Margarita Rovani and Lisa Stafford attended the entirety of the meeting. The following administrators attended during their respective topics:

- Athletic Director Tom Burman
- Associate Athletic Director Tracy Richardson
- Executive Director, School of Energy Resources Holly Krutka
- Vice President for Budget and Finance Alex Kean
- UW Casper Dean Brent Pickett
- Vice President for Research and Economic Development Parag Chitnis
- CEO UW Foundation John Stark
- Vice Provost Jim Ahern
- Vice Provost Kyle Moore

Executive Session II
Friday, November 18, 2022
9:00 a.m.
Wyoming Union

The 12 voting members of the University of Wyoming Board of Trustees met to discuss 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)).

The executive session was attended by the 12 voting members of the Trustees, and Vice President and General Counsel Tara Evans.

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

The following individuals attended the meeting as necessary:

- UW President Ed Seidel
- Faculty Senate Chairman Renee Laegreid
- Staff Senate President Tim Nichols
- ASUW President Allison Brown

Respectfully submitted,



RoseMarie London
Deputy Secretary,
UW Board of Trustees