# THE UNIVERSITY OF WYOMING SUMMARY MINUTES OF THE TRUSTEES

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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 cocurricular 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.

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Wednesday, September 14- Friday, September 16, 2022 Marian H. Rochelle Gateway 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, September 14, 2022, Thursday, September 15, 2022, and Friday, September 16, 2022. Committees did not meet during the September 2022 meeting. The Board's business meeting was held on Friday, September 16, 2022.

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#### **AGENDA ITEM TITLE: Introductions** – Carman

Provost and Executive Vice President Kevin Carman introduced College of Health Sciences Dean Jacob Warren who briefly addressed the Board.

# AGENDA ITEM TITLE: <u>Highlighting Research Excellence</u>; <u>Developing Research and Education Programs in Quantum Information Science and Engineering</u> - Weinig MINUTES OF THE MEETING:

Assistant Prof in Physics and Astronomy Jifa Tian presented information about research resulting from the National Science Foundation (NSF) ExpandQISE award; discussed educational programming in QISE to prepare the state's future workforce, and through the development of cutting-edge quantum technologies attract high-tech industries to Wyoming. Tian described the partnership with Purdue University, and outreach to native American, underrepresented minorities and female students, as well as the annual summer quantum school at the University of Wyoming. Tian provided overview of the definition of a quantum computer and the evolution of computing technology discussing comparisons between classical and quantum computing. Tian described topological qubits research, further describing student training, and internship opportunities with Argonne National Laboratory, and Brookhaven National Laboratory, Microsoft, IBM, and Quantinuum.

UW President Ed Seidel provided anecdotal experience regarding the future of computational science. In response to inquiry from Trustee Elizabeth Greenwood, Tian reported University of Texas at Dallas and University of Arkansas are also recipients of the (NSF) ExpandQISE award. Botany Professor Cynthia Weinig discussed the interdisciplinarity of the research. In response to inquiry from Trustee John McKinley, Weinig discussed the application of quantum computing to natural resources. In response to inquiry from Trustee Jeff Marsh, President Seidel reported it was an exceptional opportunity for the university to be in on the ground floor of the research.

### **AGENDA ITEM TITLE: "Saddle Up" Debrief and Analysis** – Seidel/Carman MINUTES OF THE MEETING:

UW President Ed Seidel and Provost and Executive Vice President for Academic Affairs Kevin Carman provided the Board information about the inaugural "Saddle Up" (SU) program which is an enhanced curriculum that introduces students to the demands of college coursework and develops critical thinking, planning, and study skills necessary to future success. Vice President for Student Affairs Kim Chestnut described the anticipated student learning outcomes: students develop a sense of community at UW; students demonstrate the ability to navigate coursework; students are able to establish study skills; and students are able to identify and access UW resources. Chestnut, Dean of Student Success and Graduation Nicole Courtney, and Vice Provost Anne Alexander summarized the results of pre-and-post program assessments by participating students. Courtney invited students Avery O'Brien and Sean Walker to share their experiences of SU with the Board.

ASUW President Allison Brown provided ASUW perspective stating its survey of SU reached 160 students and the results provided a different perspective in that more than 67% of students polled indicated the program did not meet or somewhat met its objectives. Brown suggested administration consider shortening the days to eight hours and allow freshman to start seminar class a week early rather than in tandem with the SU program.

During the <u>presentation</u>, Trustee John McKinley provided administration opportunity to clarify whether there were any other program items identified for potential adjustment. Carman stated the fundamental intent of the program is to prepare students for what is expected academically, and to provide for community building. Carman discussed his experience of implementation of a similar program at other institutions. Carman stated administration is intensively assessing the feedback and that he is not prepared to provide details at this meeting and offered what changes administration will make to SU will be forthcoming.

Trustee McKinley expressed understanding the data are still being reviewed and summarized what the Board heard from administration's discussion of what might be improved to include consistency and focus of the classes and preparing for majors. Trustee McKinley further identified items in ASUW's report to include frustration related to logistics; meals; time commitment; relevant programming; the removal of repetitiveness and determination of mandatory versus optional programming; and investigating the making of the first-year seminar part of SU.

In response to request, Carman stated administration would provide a follow up on SU assessment at the Board's November 2022 meeting.

Trustee Jeff Marsh stated the SU skills session "Adulting 101" is a point of contention for Trustees and expressed frustration that the administration presentation glossed over the negative response to a portion of the program the Board has received. Trustee Marsh stated that his financial support for the program will cease and went on to read aloud a student response to an ASUW survey: *ASUW Report and Results on "Saddle Up" (2022)* in which it was said the program encouraged ideologies about sexual health and disregarded individual religious or cultural identities.

In response, Chestnut discussed the ability to modify the content of "Adulting 101" which she reported was modeled around Chickering's *Student Developmental Theory*. Carman stated administration has done due diligence and stated his confidence the opinion of the student to which Trustee Marsh referred was not pervasive. Trustee Laura Schmid-Pizzato stated that while the opinion may not be pervasive, it does represent an opinion and further stated she did not wish for it to seem the Board is not being attentive to the situation.

Trustee Brown stated that the university takes up the mantel of "we are the state of Wyoming" and perhaps should reflect the morals of the citizens of Wyoming; Trustee Brown further stated he felt SU was beneficial in concept and the content of "Adulting 101" should be rethought. Trustee Brown went on to state that Trustees will no doubt be confronted "for a long time" about program content some found objectionable. Trustee Macey Moore reported she too had received negative feedback, and that not all students were ready to receive the information and went on to state that it was irresponsible for administration to assume that students through technology have been confronted and were comfortable with the information shared in "Adulting 101." Trustee Moore then shared her positive experience during Move In, and stated it was an effort by administration

the Board should be proud of. Trustee Moore went on to describe that she felt comfortable as a parent to leave her student because of the freshman preparation offered through SU, but further stated there was nothing to be gained by some of the more controversial programming. Trustee David Fall expressed the SU program is beneficial overall and looked forward to adjustment of the problematic content which he felt administration should take seriously because the rest of the state is. Trustee Elizabeth Greenwood concurred with Trustee Fall's remarks. Trustee McKinley stated SU is a beneficial program and that he had some strong personal feelings about what might be adjusted. Trustee McKinley challenged administration to focus on areas of improvement related to preparing a University of Wyoming student's integration into the college experience, and stated administration should consider what pieces of programming could be elective and offered as break-out sessions.

President Ed Seidel stated he was proud of the program and that administration is committed to student success and an examination of the program elements. President Seidel stated there had been a vigorous discussion among administration about the response to the program.

Trustee Dave True challenged the president's report that there has been internal administrative discussion of the response to "Adulting 101," and stated he was disappointed that administration waited until the Board brought up the negative feedback it has received to address problematic elements of the program, stating he felt administration's presentation to the Board was not transparent or honest.

Carman responded that administration was prepared for the Board to call for an executive session to discuss problematic elements given the tendency at the University of Wyoming to use executive session robustly. Trustee McKinley stated prior to the meeting he had contemplated what might be appropriate for executive session and determined a general discussion of SU and its successes and failures did not fall into the statutory requirements of executive session. Trustee McKinley stated he relies on general counsel to alert the Board if it treads into subject matter suitable for executive session.

Carman stated administration will continue to assess the program and identify areas of improvement. Carman further stated that a similar program was being contemplated for spring semester. Chestnut stated she did not want a singular piece of programming to overshadow the benefits of SU generally, and stated she was grateful the Board was open to further conversation about how the University of Wyoming attends to needs of the state.

### **AGENDA ITEM TITLE:** <u>Update on Research at the AMK Ranch</u> - Chitnis MINUTES OF THE MEETING:

Vice President for Research and Economic Development Parag Chitnis provided the Board an update on research at the AMK Ranch stating the UW-NPS Research Center at the AMK has the potential to develop into a world-class Institute for Research, Education, and Engagement. Chitnis discussed recent activities at the ranch in support of expanding the research capacity at the ranch to include the Harlow lecture; renewed interactions with National Park Service leadership to chart common priorities; and potential fundraising efforts for residential and research facilities at AMK to allow year-long use. Chitnis went on to describe the organizational structure to include leadership and membership, as well as research programming at AMK. In response to inquiry from Trustee Carol Linton, Chitnis discussed the number of research projects conducted at the

ranch pre-COVID-19 pandemic. Trustee McKinley restated the desire for university faculty to be the primary residents at AMK Ranch. Chitnis discussed the benefit of hosting international conferences to showcase what the university has to offer. Trustee Jeff Marsh stated use of AMK can extend beyond research and be used for community engagement.

### **AGENDA ITEM TITLE:** <u>UW Carnegie Community Engagement</u> - Carman/Garrison MINUTES OF THE MEETING:

Provost and Executive Vice President Kevin Carman introduced Politics, Public Affairs, and International Studies Professor Jean Garrison who will continue to lead the efforts to obtain Carnegie Community Engagement voluntary designation. Garrison summarized the process and the work so far, and discussed reciprocal partnerships focused on community involvement, service, teaching, and scholarship as an extension of the land grant mission. Garrison discussed campuswide membership of the Carnegie Community Engagement Task Force, stating the draft application will be ready in February 2023 in anticipation of the May 1, 2023, deadline. In response to inquiry from Trustee David Fall, Garrison described the benefits of the designation. Garrison stated for the University of Wyoming to establish this designation elevates its aspiration to Carnegie R1 classification. Carmen reported the process is as valuable as the designation, as the university will gather information on ways the institution is already engaged and help identify areas of improvement. Trustee Kermit Brown discussed Garrison's long-time dedication to community engagement.

### AGENDA ITEM TITLE: <u>Status of Implementation of the UW Strategic Plan and President's Report on Accomplishments</u> – Seidel/Carman

MINUTES OF THE MEETING:

Vice President for Student Affairs and Vice Provost Anne Alexander provided the Board a brief update on the implementation of the UW Strategic Plan 2022+. It was reported that in spring 2022, all campus departments met with members of the Strategic Planning Team to gather input and feedback on the university's strategic needs and priorities. In August 2022 a draft of the strategic plan was shared with campus and external partners for feedback to be collected in early October 2022, after which the Strategic Planning Team will reconvene. The plan will be presented to the Board at its November 2022 meeting, with final review and approval at its January 2023 meeting. In response to inquiry from Trustee Sullivan, Alexander generally reported the results of the work sessions around the strategic planning process and stated there was capture of "backward and forward looking" themes. Vice President for Student Affairs Kim Chestnut discussed feedback that informed the university's value propositions. In response to administration's request for a Trustee liaison to participate in the discussion of appropriate modifications to the plan, Trustee John McKinley asked Provost and Executive Vice President for Academic Affairs Kevin Carman submit the request via email.

UW President Ed Seidel provided the Board a summary of the <u>UW President's Report for 2021-2022</u> which was provided in hard copy. President Seidel reiterated the primary presidential goals of leading the University of Wyoming toward institutional excellence and communicate those successes clearly; creating an environment that enhances student success; broaden and deepen UW's service to the state; and ensure the long-term financial stability and growth of resources to support the institution. President Seidel discussed a number of deliverables such as completion of the university's academic reorganization; forward progress of Science Initiative (SI), Tier I Engineering, and Trustees Education Initiative (TEI) programming; launch of the School of

Computing (SOC); and continued work toward strengthening the state's workforce by recruiting and retaining the best faculty and staff.

President Seidel went on to discuss the efforts toward creating an environment that enhances student success to include increased enrollment, stabilizing retention rates, and launching initiatives related to student mental health. President Seidel discussed the implementation of the "Saddle Up" program, and the adoption of *Navigate* which evaluates impact and early success rates of university programs. President Seidel discussed ongoing efforts to strengthen relationships with the state, and his attention toward continuing to prioritize and enhance the university's landgrant mission, while strengthening liberal arts through the new strategic plan, mission statement and bylaws for the College of Arts and Sciences. President Seidel provided a summary of UW Athletics and its students' athletic and academic success. He went on to discuss the roll out of Phase 1 of the Wyoming Innovation Partnership (WIP), and the ongoing assessment of the long-term financial stability and growth of resources at the university in support of its mission.

### AGENDA ITEM TITLE: <u>Biennium Budget Committee Recommendation – UW Fundraising</u> Priorities – Schmid-Pizzato/Seidel/Stark

MINUTES OF THE MEETING:

Biennium Budget Committee Chairman Laura Schmid-Pizzato stated the committee met on September 7, 2022, to consider UW President Ed Seidel's recommended fundraising priorities. Annual Board action per the May 1998 Memorandum of Agreement with the UW Foundation on long-range academic objectives and associated fundraising priorities was postponed in July 2021 and July 2022.

President Ed Seidel directed the Board to supplemental materials provided and offered a high-level summary of the FY23 fundraising framework and priorities. In response to clarification by Trustee Dave True, Trustee John McKinley stated the document as provided by administration is organized as giving each item equal priority.

# Fundraising Priorities 09-15-2022 @ 1:38 p.m.

Trustee Laura Schmid-Pizzato moved the Board approve the UW Foundation Fundraising Priorities as shown on pages 68-69 of the Biennium Budget Committee materials. Trustee Carol Linton seconded the motion. The motion carried with a unanimous vote.

Trustee McKinley directed Deputy Secretary RoseMarie London to revise the September 2022 UW Board of Trustee Report and Supplemental Materials to include the UW Fundraising Priorities on which the Board took action. The revised report can be found on the Trustees website.

### **AGENDA ITEM TITLE:** <u>Fall Enrollment Census Day Report</u> – Moore MINUTES OF THE MEETING:

Vice Provost for Enrollment Management Kyle Moore presented the Board Fall 2022 Census Enrollment information to reflect enrollment as of September 5, 2022. Moore reported the number of first-time students attending the University of Wyoming has grown by 10.2 percent this fall, the second year in a row that the university's incoming class has topped the previous year's enrollment. Moore went on to state 1,627 first-time students have enrolled at the University of Wyoming, up from 1,477 in fall 2021 and 1,424 in fall 2020, and said the new class includes 969 Wyoming

residents, up 6.6 percent from last year's 909, and 658 nonresidents, an increase of 15.8 percent from last year's 568.

### **AGENDA ITEM TITLE:** <u>Recruitment and Marketing Outcomes Report</u> – Moore/Baldwin MINUTES OF THE MEETING:

Vice Provost for Enrollment Management Kyle Moore reported on the recruitment and marketing efforts and presented data and evidence of its impacts on the Fall 2022 incoming student enrollment. Moore stated that name buys and leads are instrumental in connecting the student to the university. Moore described various print materials used in recruitment, and the personalization and individualizing of mailers. Moore reported the *I Am a Cowboy* digital campaign produced 32.5 million impressions, 137,000 clicks and 73,300 landing page views; there was a 31.2% click through rate on 2,575,330 emails sent to prospective students (28.5% being the national average). Moore went on to discuss first-year admission trends and outcomes; transfer admission trends and outcomes, reporting the four-year average "admit to confirm" yield for transfer students up 8%.

In response to inquiry from Trustee Brad Bonner, Associate Director for Digital and Content Strategy Mindy Peep discussed response measurements across platforms. Peep described the definition of "click through rate"; "impressions" means the user saw it or it was served to them at some point in an internet search; "click through" means the user went to the university page. Trustee Dave True stated he is very interested in ways in which the University of Wyoming stands out and differentiates itself from other institutions. Trustee Dave True suggested an additional *The World Needs More Cowboys* campaign tag line such as: "Where personal responsibility is the real thing," which Trustee True stated may not be impactful to students but will be to parents. Trustee Brad LaCroix discussed the power of making a personal connection with a phone call. Senior Policy Advisor for Governor Gordon, Lachelle Brandt, inquired about whether the teaching modality still affects enrollment. In response Moore discussed the utility of online learning, and the value of high-touch on campus engagement. Wyoming Community Colleges Commission Executive Director Sandy Caldwell provided anecdotal community college enrollment information.

### AGENDA ITEM TITLE: <u>List of Deleted and New Courses (per UW Regulation 2-116)</u> – Ahern/Barrett

MINUTES OF THE MEETING:

Vice Provost for Undergraduate Education Steven Barrett provided the Board the AY21/22 New and Discontinued Courses report as required per UW Regulation 2-116. The report provides summary of actions taken by the Faculty Senate's University Course Review Committee. This is an annual information item; Board action is not required.

### **AGENDA ITEM TITLE:** Faculty Appointments (Per UW Regulation 2-1) – Benham-Deal MINUTES OF THE MEETING:

Senior Vice Provost Tami Benham-Deal provided the Board the Academic Personnel Appointments AY22/23. This is an annual information item; Board action is not required.

AGENDA ITEM TITLE: <u>UW Foundation Investments</u> (per MOU with Foundation) – Stark

#### MINUTES OF THE MEETING:

Vice President for Institutional Advancement John Stark introduced UW Foundation Board Chairman Mary Schafer-Maliki. UW Foundation Chief Investment Officer Philip Treick presented the UW Foundation's annual investment report. Treick stated the UW Foundation's endowment pool decreased from \$794.7 million as of June 30, 2021, to \$776.1 million as of June 30, 2022. It was explained the decrease resulted from public equity investment returns. The estimated total return for the fiscal year 2022 was - 2.4%, which is 9.4% under our 7% cost of capital, and 3.9% greater than our public-private benchmark proposed by consultant Meketa Investment Group. In response to inquiry from Trustee Brad Bonner, Treick stated inflation is proving more problematic than anticipated, and the figures are lagging. Treick discussed the discount factor to interest rates. In response to inquiry from Trustee David Fall, Treick further discussed the 8% decrease in the investment pool. Trustee Jeff Marsh discussed the university's liquidity need, and that the Board is still able to meet its obligations.

# AGENDA ITEM TITLE: <u>Expenditures MHRGC facilities maintenance fund (per lease agreement with UW Foundation)</u> – Stark

MINUTES OF THE MEETING:

Vice President for Institutional Advancement John Stark presented a summary of the activity and remaining balance of the FF&E Replacement Fund for the Marian H. Rochelle Gateway Center (MHRGC). A summary of the expenditure activity was also provided. This reporting is part of the lease agreement between the UW Foundation and the UW Board of Trustees for the MHRGC. Trustee John McKinley recommended that future reports include the adequacy of the FF&E balance and the contribution over time.

### **AGENDA ITEM TITLE:** <u>Office of Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion</u> – Chestnut MINUTES OF THE MEETING:

Vice President for Student Affairs and Interim Vice President for Diversity Equity and Inclusion Kim Chestnut summarized the Office of Diversity Equity and Inclusion's (ODEI) annual report to the Board on 2021 initiatives, staffing programming, related councils and DEI efforts across campus. Chestnut provided update on the Native American Affairs Advisory Council (NAAAC); the Inclusion Council; the Social Justice Research Center (SJRC), and the ombudsman office. Chestnut discussed trainings and education opportunities offered by the ODEI such as Diverse Graduate Student Mentoring Program (DGSMP), and the Inclusionary and Global Leadership Program (IGLP). Chestnut discussed the Black 14 Social Justice Summer Institute (B14SJSI) which held its inaugural event this summer, stating high school students from Wyoming, Colorado, and Ohio attended the institute alongside UW student team leaders and three members of the Black 14. Chestnut provided update on the status of the Vice President for Diversity Equity and Inclusion search. In response to inquiry from Trustee David Fall, Chestnut discussed the ombudsman role stating the position is seen as a confidential, autonomous resource.

### **AGENDA ITEM TITLE:** <u>Intercollegiate Athletics (per UW Regulation 3-1)</u> – Burman MINUTES OF THE MEETING:

Athletic Director Tom Burman provided a report of various aspects of the shifting landscape of college athletics.

# AGENDA ITEM TITLE: <u>Information and Discussion: University of Wyoming's Family Medicine Residency Programs and the Educational Health Center of Wyoming (EHCW) primary care services – Warren/Kean</u>

MINUTES OF THE MEETING:

College of Health Sciences Dean Jacob Warren provided the Board summary information on prior discussions related to the Educational Health Center of Wyoming (EHCW) which is a Federally Qualified Health Center (FQHC) that provides primary care, pharmacy, and specialty care in Casper, Cheyenne, and Laramie.

Warren reminded the Board that the unique nature of the relationship between the university and EHCW, combined with compliance concerns and the authority granted to the Trustees by the Wyoming Legislature in House Bill 221, HEA 20 (2019), led to a re-examination of the clinic's structure in 2020. Warren stated that a consulting firm was commissioned to make recommendations regarding the organizational structure of EHCW and its relationship with UW. In June of 2020, the firm recommended spinning off EHCW into a separate, stand-alone FQHC. Warren reported that following the delivery of the consulting firm's recommendation, at the Board's October 2020 meeting it directed the administration to transition the EHCW to an independent FQHC. Warren reported that subsequent to the Board's directive, administration has worked with EHCW to address the foundational issues identified by the consulting firm and has identified a potential alternative that is neither status quo nor full separation that merits further investigation, in which the university, EHCW, and other key residency partners would enter into a consortium model that would codify the support and contributions of each entity and would also position the University of Wyoming FMRP to be eligible to receive additional financial and infrastrastructural supports.

Warren requested the opportunity for administration to examine this alternative more fully and bring a formal recommendation back to the Board in a future meeting. Trustee John McKinley assigned the topic to the Biennium Budget Committee and requested Trustee David Fall contribute to the discussions.

### **AGENDA ITEM TITLE:** <u>Consideration and Action: Final Tuition Recommendations</u> – Kean MINUTES OF THE MEETING:

The board discussed administration's recommendation the university move to block tuition, a change from the current practice of full-time students -- those taking at least 12 credits per semester -- paying tuition on a per-credit basis. The change would also apply to graduate students taking 9-12 credit hours.

Deputy Vice President for Budget and Finance Alex Kean stated the change is proposed to encourage students to take at least 15 credits per semester and thereby graduate in four years, potentially reducing student loan debt; increase graduation rates; and provide more transparency and predictability regarding the cost of a degree. Kean provided further clarity stating exceptions to the block tuition policy will include: students in official university-sponsored activities, primarily student-athletes; students with disabilities or health issues; graduating seniors who need fewer than 15 credits, or fewer than 30 hours in their final academic year; students studying abroad; students completing internships; students limited to fewer than 15 credits due to curricular structure; and students who are under contractual agreements that limit enrollment to fewer than 15 hours.

The Board also discussed administration's recommendation to increase base resident and nonresident tuition rates by 4 percent for the 2023-24 academic year. Kean reported that during the current academic year, a Wyoming resident undergraduate student taking 15 credit hours pays \$2,400 in tuition for a semester. Kean stated if the Board took action to increase tuition the cost would go up to \$2,490 per semester starting next fall. Kean clarified that with a change to block tuition that would be the tuition level for all resident students taking between 12-18 credits.

In response to Board inquiry, Kean stated that a nonresident undergraduate taking 15 credits currently pays \$9,975 in tuition per semester. That will increase to \$10,380 next fall -- all nonresident students taking 12-18 credits will pay the same amount. It was stated that even with the proposed increases, UW's tuition rate for resident undergraduates will remain among the lowest in the nation, and nonresident tuition also will be comparatively low.

ASUW President Allison Brown recommended efforts to communicate the benefits of block tuition to students. Trustee Brad LaCroix discussed the need for K-12 educators and how increased tuition would affect recruitment. In response, Trustee Dave True stated the need for revenue and resources to support a quality educator program. Trustee Kermit Brown reiterated his desire the university provide financial literacy instruction to students. In response, Moore described literacy requirements built into the application process for financial aid.

# Final FY2024 Tuition Recommendations I 09-15-2022 @ 3:13 p.m.

Trustee Laura Schmid-Pizzato moved the Board authorize administration to follow current tuition policy and increase base resident and nonresident undergraduate and graduate tuition rates by 4% for FY2024. Trustee Jeff Marsh seconded the motion. The motion carried. Trustee Brad LaCroix voted no.

# Final FY2024 Tuition Recommendations II 09-15-2022 @ 3:29 p.m.

Trustee Laura Schmid-Pizzato moved the Board authorize administration to move to block tuition model of 12-18 credit hours for undergraduate programs, and a block tuition model of 9-12 credit hours for most graduate programs, for Fall and Spring semesters. Undergraduate block tuition will be calculated using 15 credit hours as the base rate resulting in a resident rate of \$2,490 per semester and a non-resident rate of \$10,380 per semester. Graduate block tuition will be calculated using 10 credit hours as the base resulting in a resident rate of \$3,230.00 per semester and a non-resident rate of \$9,670 per semester. Trustee David Fall seconded the motion. The motion carried. Trustee Brad LaCroix voted no.

The Board deferred action on a separate proposal calling for some increases for students in professional and differential graduate programs.

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

#### MINUTES OF THE MEETING:

Trustee Michelle Sullivan stated part of the committee discussion was in response to administration's internal review of low enrollment courses, and current strategies and initiatives

in the effort to increase retention. Trustee Sullivan went on to propose the following recommended action.

# Notice of Intent: Graduate Certificate in Entrepreneurship and Innovation 09-15-2022 @ 4:01 p.m.

Trustee Michelle Sullivan moved the Board approve the Notice of Intent for the Graduate Certificate in Entrepreneurship and Innovation. Trustee Macey Moore seconded the motion. The motion carried with a unanimous vote.

# Name Change: Department of Chemical and Biomedical Engineering 09-15-2022 @ 4:03 p.m.

Trustee Michelle Sullivan moved the Board authorize administration change the name of the Department of Chemical Engineering to the Department of Chemical and Biomedical Engineering. Trustee Macey Moore seconded the motion. The motion carried with a unanimous vote.

### Name Change: Department of Electrical Engineering and Computer Science 09-15-2022 @ 4:04 p.m.

Trustee Michelle Sullivan moved the Board to authorize administration change the name of the combined departments of electrical engineering and computer science to the Department of Electrical Engineering and Computer Science. Trustee Macey Moore seconded the motion. The motion carried with a unanimous vote.

### Name Change: Department of Energy and Petroleum Engineering 09-15-2022 @ 4:05 p.m.

Trustee Michelle Sullivan moved the Board authorize administration to change the name of the Department of Petroleum Engineering to the Department of Energy and Petroleum Engineering. Trustee Macey Moore seconded the motion. The motion carried with a unanimous vote.

In response to inquiry from Trustee John McKinley, Provost and Executive Vice President Kevin Carman stated there has not been a fundamental change to structure of Petroleum Engineering or a change to degree. Carman further clarified that the previous proposal to consolidate Geophysics into Petroleum Engineering has been rejected. Trustee Sullivan stated there was discussion in committee that the broader name might allow for additional certifications.

#### Shorelight LLC.

#### 09-15-2022 @ 4:07 p.m.

Trustee Michelle Sullivan moved the Board approve the agreement for the operation of international programs with Shorelight LLC. as found on page 99 of the materials. Trustee Macey Moore seconded the motion. Motion carried. Laura Schmid-Pizzato voted no.

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

Trustee Laura Schmid-Pizzato provided the Board an update on topics considered during the Biennium Budget Committee meeting and proposed the following recommended action:

### ASUW New Endowments Approval 09-15-2022 @, 4:09 p.m.

Trustee Laura Schmid-Pizzato moved the Board approve the establishment of the ASUW Student

Priorities Fund and the establishment of the ASUW Non-Citizen/International Student Support Fund. Trustee Carol Linton seconded the motion. The motion carried with a unanimous vote.

# Research Excellence and Student Success Reserve Accounts 09-15-2022 @ 4:24 p.m.

Trustee Laura Schmid-Pizzato moved the Board approve the establishment of a research excellence reserve account and a student success reserve account in the amount of Five Million dollars (\$5,000,000) each with each receiving Two Hundred Thousand dollars (\$200,000) for immediate expenditure. The funds will be transferred from the Trustees Special Projects Reserve Account and will be characterized as a "Fund managed by the UW Foundation as an Endowment." The use of the funds will be governed by the Memorandum of Understanding with the UW Foundation as referenced in the Board's supplemental materials. Trustee Carol Linton seconded the motion. The motion carried with a unanimous vote. Note: the MOU provides as follows: "Only the funds available for appropriation shall be available for expenditure unless approved by the Board of Trustees, upon recommendation of the UW President and the Budget Committee."

# Recruitment and Retention Reserve Account 09-15-2022 @ 4:26 p.m.

Trustee Schmid-Pizzato moved the Board approve the transferring of an additional Five Million dollars (\$5,000,000) to the existing recruitment and retention reserve account with Two Hundred Thousand dollars (\$200,000) of immediately expendable funds from the Trustees Special Projects Reserve Account. This fund will continue to be characterized as a "Fund managed by the UW Foundation as an Endowment" and will be governed by an Amendment to the original Memorandum of Understanding with the UW Foundation as referenced in the Board's supplemental materials. Trustee Carol Linton seconded the motion. The motion carried with a unanimous vote. Note: the MOU provides as follows: "Only the funds available for appropriation shall be available for expenditure unless approved by the Board of Trustees, upon recommendation of the UW President and the Budget Committee."

# Student Athlete Achievement Scholarship Reserve Account 09-15-2022 @ 4:28 p.m.

Trustee Laura Schmid-Pizzato moved the Board approve the establishment of a student-athlete achievement scholarship reserve account in the amount of One Million Five Hundred Thousand dollars (\$1,500,000) from the Trustees Special Projects Reserve Account. This fund will be characterized as a "Fund managed by the UW Foundation as an Endowment" and will be governed by a Memorandum of Understanding with the UW Foundation as referenced in the Board's supplemental materials. Trustee Carol Linton seconded the motion. The motion as amended carried with a unanimous vote. Note: the MOU provides as follows: "Only the funds available for appropriation shall be available for expenditure unless approved by the Board of Trustees, upon recommendation of the UW President and the Budget Committee."

# Student Athlete Achievement Success Scholarship Expendable Fund 09-22-2022 @ 4:34 p.m.

Trustee Laura Schmid-Pizzato moved the Board authorize administration transfer an amount of One Million Three Hundred Twenty-Seven Thousand Five Hundred and Sixty dollars

(\$1,327,560) in immediately expendable funds, to be distributed by Intercollegiate Athletics in an annual amount of Four Hundred Forty-two Thousand Five Hundred and Twenty dollars (\$442,520) over three years, for the student-athlete achievement success scholarship expendable fund. The funds will be transferred from the Trustees Special Projects Reserve Account. The University will work toward a match from the Cowboy Joe Club and the UW Foundation in equal amounts. Trustee Jeff Marsh seconded the motion. The motion carried with a unanimous vote.

Trustee John McKinley will act as point person between the UW Foundation and the University of Wyoming on the matter.

# President's Events Office 09-15-2022 @ 4:35 p.m.

Trustee Laura Schmid-Pizzato moved the Board authorize administration to transfer an amount of Two Hundred and Fifty Thousand dollars (\$250,000) from the Trustees Special Projects Reserve Account to the President's Office to support the establishment of an events office. Trustee Carol Linton seconded the motion. The motion carried with a unanimous vote.

Trustee Schmid-Pizzato clarified this is a one-time transfer, which will be further addressed during the annual budgeting process in May.

#### Matching Funds 09-15-2022 @ 4:36 p.m.

Trustee Schmid-Pizzato moved the Board authorize administration to utilize \$50,000 of the previously committed funds for matching purposes as described on page 43 of the Budget Committee materials. Trustee Carol Linton seconded the motion. The motion carried with a unanimous vote.

### **AGENDA ITEM TITLE:** <u>Facilities Contracting Committee</u> – 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:

## Sustainable Agriculture Research Extension Center Power Easement 09-15-2022 @ 4:38 p.m.

Trustee Kermit Brown moved the Board authorize administration to execute the Access and Right of Way Easement to Wyoming Rural Electric at the University's Sustainable Agriculture Research Extension Center as presented. Trustee Jeff Marsh seconded the motion. The motion carried with a unanimous vote.

# Mountain View Medical Park Lease Renewals 09-15-2022 @ 4:39 p.m.

Trustee Kermit Brown moved the Board authorize administration to execute the Amendments to the Lease Agreement for the Mountain View Medical Park tenants at the University's Mountain View Medical Park as presented. Trustee Brad LaCroix seconded the motion. The motion carried with a unanimous vote.

### Mesonet Land Use Agreements 09-15-2022 @ 4:40 p.m.

Trustee Kermit Brown moved the Board approve each of the Land Access and Use Agreements as presented and authorize administration to sign the Land Access and Use Agreements for the Wyoming Mesonet project. Trustee Carol Linton seconded the motion. The motion carried with a unanimous vote.

# Wyoming Infra-red Observatory (WIRO) MOU 09-15-2022 @ 4:40 p.m.

Trustee Kermit Brown moved the Board approve the Memorandum of Understanding as presented and authorize administration to sign the Memorandum of Understanding for the surveying equipment at the Wyoming Infra-Red Observatory. Trustee Brad La Croix seconded the motion. The motion carried with a unanimous vote.

# Pilot Hill Amendment No. 1 to Land Access and Use Agreement 09-15-2022 @ 4:41 p.m.

Trustee Kermit Brown moved the Board approve Amendment No. 1 to the Land Access and Use Agreement and authorize administration to sign the Amendment No. 1 to the Land Access and Use Agreement with Pilot Hill, LLC for the trailhead and parking lot project as presented. Trustee Jeff Marsh seconded the motion. The motion carried with a unanimous vote.

# Wyoming Union Retail Budget and Project, Delivery Method 09-15-2022 @4:42 p.m.

Trustee Kermit Brown moved the Board authorize administration to proceed with design documents and delivery method as recommended by Administration with a not-to-exceed budget of Two Thousand Two Hundred Fifty dollars (\$2,250,000) with funding to come from the Dining Reserve Account and contingent upon successful negotiation and execution of a Licensing Agreement as proposed. Trustee Carol Linton seconded the motion. The motion carried with a unanimous vote.

# AMK Ranch Demolition and Reconstruction 9-15-2022 @ 4:42 p.m.

Trustee Kermit Brown moved the Board authorize administration to add Six Hundred Thousand dollars (\$600,000) to the Five Hundred Thousand dollars (\$500,000) of previously approved funds to come from the Vice President for Administration indirect costs monies, for a total budget of One Million One Hundred Thousand dollars (\$1,100,000) for purposes of demolition and reconstruction projects at the AMK Ranch. And we ratify and confirm the actions previously taken by Administration regarding the Seawall. Trustee Carol Linton seconded the motion. The motion carried with a unanimous vote.

# Fuel Facility Budget and Delivery Method 09-15-2022 @ 4:43 p.m.

Trustee Kermit Brown moved the Board authorize administration to proceed with design and advertising of the Fuel Facility project funded with One Million Two Hundred Thousand dollars

(\$1,200,000) via the WYDOT Grant and Three Hundred and Sixty Thousand dollars (\$360,000) from Transportation Services Reserves with a total budget of One Million Five Hundred and Sixty Thousand dollars (\$1,560,000) procured through the design-bid-build delivery method. Trustee Brad LaCroix seconded the motion. The motion carried with a unanimous vote.

# UW Police Facility Demolition Budget and Delivery Method 09-15-2022 @ 4:44 p.m.

Trustee Kermit Brown moved the Board authorize administration to demolish and remove the University-owned facilities on the block as presented and authorize administration to proceed with design and advertising of the Police Facility Demolition project funded via Capital Construction Reserves with a total project budget of Two Million Two Hundred and Fifty Thousand dollars (\$2,250,000) procured through the design-bid-build delivery method. Trustee Carol Linton seconded the motion. Motion carried with a unanimous vote.

# Bradley Street Clearing Amended Budget 09-15-2022 @ 4:46 p.m.

Trustee Kermit Brown moved the Board authorize administration to execute agreements with Domino Construction, Inc. to complete the parking area and authorize Administration to remove the additional University-owned facilities including overall spending authority not to exceed One Million dollars (\$1,000,000) for the project with the additional funding of Six Hundred Thousand dollars (\$600,000) to come from the Vice President for Administration Operating Reserve Account. Trustee Jeff Marsh seconded the motion. The motion carried with a unanimous vote.

Trustee Dave True discussed enabling legislation (2019 Enrolled Act 124) which as part of the campus housing plan, directs the university to increase parking spaces available for use by the university community, and stated at the end of construction the university will have a net positive of 217 parking spaces.

# College of Law Design Amendment 09-15-2022 @ 4:49 p.m.

Trustee Kermit Brown moved the Board authorize administration to execute a contract amendment with By Architectural Means in the not-to-exceed amount of Two Hundred Twelve Thousand Two Hundred Seventy-Five dollars (\$212,275) for the College of Law Addition and Renovation project to be funded within the budget already allocated for this project. This amendment will not result in an increase of the total cost of the project or the timeline. Trustee Elizabeth Greenwood seconded the motion. The motion carried with a unanimous vote.

# Student Housing Traffic Study Design Amendment 09-15-2022 @ 4:49 p.m.

Trustee Kermit Brown moved the Board authorize administration to execute an amendment to the design agreement with alm2s in the amount of Eighteen Thousand Eight Hundred dollars (\$18,800) for the Student Housing and Dining project to be funded within the budget already allocated for this project. This amendment will not result in an increase of the total cost of the project or the timeline. Carol Linton seconded. Motion carried with a unanimous vote.

# Grounds Storage Building Design Amendment 09-15-2022 @ 4:50 p.m.

Trustee Kermit Brown moved the Board authorize administration to execute an amendment to the agreement with Arete Design Group for additional design services in the amount of Two Hundred and Thirty-Three Thousand One Hundred and Seventy-Five dollars (\$233,175) to be funded within the budget already allocated for this project. This amendment will not result in an increase of the total cost of the project or the timeframe. Trustee Brad LaCroix seconded the motion. The motion carried. Trustee Jeff Marsh voted no.

# High Bay Laboratory Renovations 09-15-2022 @ 4:51 p.m.

Trustee Kermit Brown moved the Board authorize administration to proceed with the design documents and design-bid-build delivery method as proposed for the High Bay Laboratory renovations with a not to exceed budget of Six Hundred and Fifty Thousand dollars (\$650,000) with funding to come from the Center of Innovation for Flow through Porous Media Direct Account. Trustee Jeff Marsh seconded the motion. The motion carried with a unanimous vote.

# Stadium Design Amendment 09-15-2022 @ 4:51 p.m.

Trustee Kermit Brown moved the Board authorize administration to execute an amendment to the agreement with Arete Design Group for additional design services in the amount of Fifty-Two Thousand Nine Hundred and Sixty-Five dollars (\$52,965) to be funded within the budget already allocated for this project. This amendment will not result in an increase of the total cost of the project or the timeframe. Trustee Elizabeth Greenwood seconded the motion. The motion carried with a unanimous vote.

# Natatorium Design Amendment 09-15-2022 @ 4:52 p.m.

Trustee Kermit Brown moved the Board authorize administration to execute an amendment to the agreement with Arete Design Group for additional schematic design services in the amount of Seventy-Four Thousand Six Hundred and Ninety dollars (\$74,690) to be funded within the budget already allocated for this project. This amendment will not result in an increase of the total cost of the project or timeframe. Trustee Brad LaCroix seconded the motion. The motion carried. Trustee Jeff Marsh voted no.

# AMK Design and Construction Documents 09-15-2022 @ 4:53 p.m.

Trustee Kermit Brown moved the Board authorize administration to direct the University Architect and Planning and Construction to proceed with design and construction documents for the previously designated site and size for the dorm and kitchen lab facility at the AMK ranch in a not-to-exceed amount of Two Hundred Thousand dollars (\$200,000) with funding to come from the Vice President for Administration Indirect Cost Account. Trustee Carol Linton seconded the motion. The motion carried as amended with a unanimous vote.

### **AGENDA ITEM TITLE:** <u>Fiscal and Legal Affairs Committee</u> – Macey Moore (Chair) MINUTES OF THE MEETING:

Trustee Macey Moore provided the Board update on the work of the committee to include review of Internal Audit reports for Academic Affairs, the Wyoming State Veterinary Laboratory, Office of Scholarships and Financial Aid, and a follow up to the change of management audit for Government and Community Affairs. Trustee Moore stated the committee reviewed the external audit pre-audit report and received an update on Enterprise Risk Management's projects and focus area goals. Trustee Moore reported the committee received information about the new "Report a Concern" website and the engagement of EthicsPoint that enables management, employees, students and other stakeholders to work together to address fraud, abuse, and other misconduct in the workplace while cultivating a positive environment.

### **AGENDA ITEM TITLE:** <u>Legislative Relations Committee</u> – Kermit Brown (Chair) MINUTES OF THE MEETING:

Trustee Kermit Brown introduced Vice President for Governmental Affairs and Community Engagement Mike Smith. Trustee Brown reported the committee discussed generally the gubernatorial election cycle as it affects the State Legislature.

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

MINUTES OF THE MEETING:

Trustee David Fall stated the committee received a division report from Vice President for Research and Economic Development Parag Chitnis, and received an update about the university's electronic research administration system ROAM-WYO. The committee was presented information about future Science Initiative programming called SI2025.

Friday, September 16, 2022
Marian H. Rochelle Gateway Center
Laramie, Wyoming

#### **Business Meeting**

#### Roll Call

The business meeting was called to order at 9:52 a.m. on Friday, September 16, 2022. Deputy Secretary, UW Board of Trustees RoseMarie London took roll.

Trustees participating: Brad Bonner, Kermit Brown (Vice Chairman), David Fall, Elizabeth Greenwood, Brad LaCroix, Jeff Marsh, John McKinley (Chairman), Macey Moore, Laura Schmid-Pizzato (Secretary), Michelle Sullivan (Treasurer), and Dave True. Ex officio Trustees participating: University President Ed Seidel, and ASUW President Allison Brown, and Wyoming Community College Commission Executive Director Sandy Caldwell. Governor Mark Gordon was excused, and State Superintendent of Public Instruction Brian Schroeder was not in attendance.

#### Reports

#### **ASUW Report**

ASUW President Allison Brown reported the ASUW Student Issues survey resulted in ~700 responses focused on campus mental health and wellness, issues related to parking and transportation, and ADA access. Brown stated the Student Leadership and Community Engagement committee will host a candidate meet and greet in October. Brown reported ASUW plans to launch a Giving Day campaign to support the international student scholarship endowment. Brown expressed appreciation for the opportunity to provide student perspective on issues such as "Saddle Up" and proposed block tuition.

#### **Staff Senate Report**

Staff Senate President Tim Nichols reported on internal restructuring of Staff Senate. Nichols reported that a Presidential Evaluation working group was established to create survey questions, and the results will be reported at the Board's November 2022 meeting. Nichols reported on the distribution of staff scholarship applications, and further reported on discussion with Interim College of Arts and Sciences Dean Scott Turpen regarding staff morale. Nichols discussed the formation of a climate assessment subcommittee to identify areas of improvement as it relates to staff morale and facilitate conversations with UW President Ed Seidel and the Board. Nichols discussed partnership with Athletic Director Tom Burman and the acquisition of three hundred tickets to the Cowboys football game during Homecoming for staff appreciation. Nichols closed stating Staff Senate continues to work toward structural efficiencies financial stability.

#### **Faculty Senate**

Faculty Senate Chair Laegreid reported the senate continues to focus on emerging topics related to faculty and their academic responsibilities, as well as on issues related to college reorganizations, strategic planning, revising SAPPs and shared governance. Laegreid expressed appreciation of UW President Ed Seidel and Provost Kevin Carman's willingness to engage in conversations which has helped stakeholders move toward a mutual understanding of shared governance. As an example, Laegreid discussed the collaborative effort between Faculty Senate, administration, and general council on the Conflict-of-Interest SAPP. Laegreid went on to discuss the efforts related to the university's reorganization and work with new and or merged departments in response to new programs or degree requests. Laegreid discussed senate's engagement in the presidential evaluation survey, results of which will be provided to the Board at its November 2022 meeting. Laegreid expressed appreciation to the Board for its continued efforts to support faculty and programs, and reward faculty excellence.

Public Testimony [Scheduled for Thursday, September 15, 2022, 11:00 a.m.] Casey Frome, Lecturer, UW College of Business, addressed the Board about "Saddle Up" generally, and concern about the cost of the program to students.

Kyle True, UW alum, addressed the Board about "Saddle Up", the programming in the Honors College, and state of Wyoming's view of the University of Wyoming.

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

**Board Committee Reports** [Scheduled for Thursday, September 15, 2022, at 3:30 p.m.]

#### **Liaisons to other Boards**

Liaison to other Boards reports were provided in writing in advance of the September 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 and Natural Resources Michelle Sullivan
  Trustee Michelle Sullivan reported the Haub School of Environmental and Natural Resources
  received a \$1 million planned gift from an anonymous doner that will establish the International
  Wildlife Conservation Chair.
- Energy Resources Council Dave True
- Cowboy Joe John McKinley

#### OTHER ACTION TAKEN DURING MEETING

Approval of Minutes (public and executive session) 09-16-2022 @ 9:53 a.m.

Trustee Michelle Sullivan moved the Board approve the August 17, 2022, public and executive session meeting minutes. Trustee Carol Linton seconded the motion. The motion carried with a unanimous decision.

#### Academic Personnel Report

09-16-2022 @ 10:13 a.m.

Trustee Carol Linton moved the Board approve the academic personnel report as presented. Trustee Macey Moore seconded the motion. The motion carried with a unanimous vote.

#### Non-Academic Personnel

09-16-2022 @ 10:14 a.m.

Trustee Brad LaCroix moved the Board approve the non-academic personnel report as presented. Trustee Elizabeth Greenwood seconded the motion. The motion carried with a unanimous vote.

### Software as a Subscription Agreement Between University of Wyoming and Ex Libris Inc.

09-16-2022 @ 10:15 a.m.

Trustee Elizabeth Greenwood moved the Board authorize administration to execute the Software as a Subscription Agreement with Ex Libris, Inc. Trustee Carol Linton seconded the motion. The motion carried with a unanimous vote.

# Amendment No. 6 to the Agreement for Services between the University of Wyoming and Western Research Institute

09-16-2022 @ 10:16 p.m.

Trustee Dave Fall moved the Board authorize administration to execute Amendment No. 6 to the Agreement for Services between the University of Wyoming and Western Research Institute. Trustee Brad Bonner seconded the motion. The motion carried with a unanimous vote.

# Amendment No. 1 to the Licensing Representation Agreement by and Between University of Wyoming and Exemplar Associates, LLC 09-16-2022 @ 10:16 a.m.

Trustee Brad Bonner moved the Board authorize administration to execute Amendment No. 1 to the Licensing Representation Agreement by and Between University of Wyoming and Exemplar Associates, LLC. Trustee Jeff Marsh seconded the motion. The motion carried with a unanimous vote.

### Donor Matter 09-16-2022 @ 9:53 a.m.

Trustee Laura Schmid-Pizzato moved the Board approve the transfer of One Million dollars (\$1,000,000) from the Special Projects Reserve Account to the College of Arts and Sciences to provide one year of temporary support for artist residences and student programming while a business plan and funding strategy are being developed. This transfer is contingent on the College of Arts and Sciences committing One Hundred Eighty Thousand dollars (\$180,000) in funding to hire an executive director and to assist with interim programming. Trustee Michelle Sullivan seconded. Motion carried with a unanimous vote.

#### New Business:

UW President Seidel expressed appreciation for the comprehensive actions taken at this meeting to support targeted initiatives.

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

October 12, 2022 (conference call)

#### Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 10:26 a.m.

#### **Executive Session Information**

[The UW Board of Trustees met in Executive Session on Thursday and Friday, September 15 and 16, 2022, at the Marian H. Rochelle Gateway Center in Laramie, Wyoming.]

Executive Session I Thursday, September 15, 2022 Marian H. Rochelle Gateway Center 8:00 a.m.

The University of Wyoming Board of Trustees called the meeting to order at 8:00 a.m. Trustee Laura Schmid-Pizzato moved the Board enter into 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. To consider 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)); and

4. To consider acceptance of gifts, donations and bequests which the donor has requested in writing to be kept confidential (16-4-405(a)(viii)).

Trustee Michelle Sullivan seconded the motion. The motion carried with a unanimous vote

The executive session was attended by the 12 voting members of the UW Board of Trustees, exofficio members, and UW administration and staff as appropriate. The Board entered into executive session at 8:02 a.m.

Trustees participating: Brad Bonner, Kermit Brown, David Fall, Elizabeth Greenwood, Brad LaCroix, Carol Linton, Jeff Marsh, John McKinley, Macey Moore, Laura Schmid-Pizzato, Michelle Sullivan and Dave True. Ex-officio Trustees participating: UW President Ed Seidel, ASUW President Allison Brown, Wyoming Community College Commission Executive Director Sandy Caldwell and State Superintendent for Public Instruction Brian Schroeder. Wyoming Governor Mark Gordon was not present. Senior Policy Advisor Lachelle Brant attended on the Governor's behalf.

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, IT Specialists Lisa Stafford and Margarita Rovani attended the entirety of the meeting. The following administrators were present during their respective topics:

- Senior Vice Provost Tami Benham-Deal
- o Libraries Dean Ivan Gaetz
- o School of Energy Resources Senior Director of Research Scott Quillinan
- o Athletic Director Tom Burman
- o Associate Athletic Director Trademark and Licensing Tracy Richardson
- o Deputy Vice President for Budget and Finance Alex Kean
- O Vice Provost for Global Engagement Isadora Helfgott

Executive Session II Friday, September 16, 2022 Marian H. Rochelle Gateway Center 8:00 a.m.

The University of Wyoming Board of Trustees called the meeting to order at 8:06 a.m. Trustee Laura Schmid-Pizzato moved the Board enter into executive session for the purpose of discussing

- 1. The acceptance of gifts, donations and bequests which the donor has requested in writing to be kept confidential (16-4-405(a)(viii));
- 2. 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)); and
- 3. To consider the appointment, employment, right to practice or dismissal of a public employee and to consider accepting or tendering offers concerning wages, salaries, benefits and terms of employment during all negotiations (16-4-405(a)(ii) and 16-4-405(a)(x))

Trustee Brad LaCroix seconded the motion. The motion carried with a unanimous vote.

The executive session was attended by the 12 voting members of the UW Board of Trustees, exofficio members, and UW administrations and staff as appropriate. The Board entered into executive session at 8:07 a.m.

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

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

The following administrators were present during their respective topics:

- o Art Consultant Renee Piechocki
- o College of Arts and Sciences Interim Dean Scott Turpen
- o Deputy Vice President for Budget and Finance Alex Kean
- o Senior Associate Vice President for Development John Small
- o UW Foundation Vice President for Marketing and Communications Toby Marlatt
- Outside Counsel Bob Berger, Lonabaugh and Riggs

Respectfully submitted,

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RoseMarie London Deputy Secretary,

**UW Board of Trustees**