THE UNIVERSITY OF WYOMING SUMMARY MEETING MINUTES

OF THE TRUSTEES

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University of Wyoming

Vision

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

Mission

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

Values

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

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THE UNIVERSITY OF WYOMING SUMMARY MINUTES OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES January 22-24, 2025 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, January 22, 2025, Thursday, January 23, 2025, and Friday, January 24, 2025. Committee Meetings were held on Wednesday, January 22, 2025. The Board's business meeting was held on Friday, January 24, 2025.

TRUSTEES OF THE UNIVERSITY OF WYOMING BOARD MEETING AGENDA

January 22-24, 2025

Marian H. Rochelle Gateway Center Laramie, Wyoming

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AGENDA ITEM TITLE: Recognition and Board Resolution: Outgoing Trustees – Brown

University of Wyoming Board of Trustees Certificate of Gratitude and Appreciation (Dave True)

01-23-2024 @ 10: 25 a.m.

Trustee Kermit Brown moved the following:

Whereas, Dave True has served with distinction for the benefit of students, faculty, staff, and the wider University of Wyoming community during his two terms from 2013 to 2025 as a member of the Board of Trustees of the University of Wyoming;

Now, therefore be it resolved by the Board of Trustees of the University of Wyoming that this resolution expressing deep appreciation and gratitude for Dave True's service and contributions to the University of Wyoming be unanimously adopted. Thank you, Dave True, for your exemplary leadership and service.

Trustee Michelle Sullivan seconded the motion. The motion carried. Trustee David Fall was absent from the vote.

Trustee Dave True stated his service has been rewarding, most significantly the lasting friendships he has made with fellow trustees.

University of Wyoming Board of Trustees Certificate of Gratitude and Appreciation (Macey Moore)

01-23-2024 @ 10:24 a.m.

Trustee Kermit Brown moved the following:

Whereas, Macey Moore has served with distinction for the benefit of students, faculty, staff and the wider University of Wyoming community during her term from 2017 to 2025 as a member of the Board of Trustees of the University of Wyoming;

Now, therefore be it resolved by the Board of Trustees of the University of Wyoming that this resolution expressing deep appreciation and gratitude for Macey Moore's service and contributions to the University of Wyoming be unanimously adopted. Thank you, Macey Moore, for your exemplary leadership and service.

Trustee Michelle Sullivan seconded the motion. The motion carried. Trustee David Fall was absent from the vote.

Trustee Macey Moore stated appreciation for the opportunity to get to know higher education from the vantage point of a university trustee she stated she is proud to be a Cowboy.

Interim Provost Scott Turpen introduced College of Health Sciences Dean Patrick Hardigan. University President Ed Seidel briefly discussed the potential partnership with the University of Utah as it relates to cancer research and Artificial Intelligence.

AGENDA ITEM TITLE: Update to Board: UW President Ed Seidel

University President Ed Seidel updated the Board on efforts to enhance state service, highlighting improved community connections from a statewide survey. He noted an 11% year-over-year increase in research expenditures, crediting Vice President for Research and Economic Development Parag Chitnis. Updates on student success included the launch of the Winter Welcome program, a Saddle Up spinoff, and a 94% Fall-to-Spring retention rate for first-time full-time students, with appreciation expressed to Interim Vice President for Student Affairs Nycole Courtney. President Seidel shared recognition received at the Wyoming State of the State address alongside College of Agriculture Dean Kelly Crane. He discussed partnerships with Safran to prepare students for computational science careers and a proposed collaboration with the University of Utah. President Seidel also acknowledged retiring Trustees Dave True and Macey Moore for their service.

AGENDA ITEM TITLE: <u>Enrollment Follow-up: Getting Students Through the Funnel</u> – Seidel/Turpen/K. Moore

University President Ed Seidel emphasized the priority of improving enrollment processes, with Interim Provost Scott Turpen leading the efforts. Turpen outlined administrative initiatives addressing weaknesses in the enrollment funnel, including a working group mapping the student experience across six stages noting that of 70 required enrollment actions, 50 are student-dependent, which prompted internal discussions on streamlining steps. Turpen highlighted the reengagement of the Registration and Advising Council, led by the Interim Provost and Vice Provost for Undergraduate Education, to enhance the student experience and improve advising strategies and communication flow. Turpen also detailed the Express Transfer Agreement with Laramie County Community College, which implements co-admission and co-advising efforts. Vice Provost for Enrollment Management Kyle Moore reported progress in aligning courses between the university and Wyoming Community Colleges but acknowledged challenges requiring time to resolve. Moore also offered individual support to students facing transfer difficulties, addressing concerns raised by Trustee Brad LaCroix. Trustees Michelle Sullivan and Macey Moore emphasized the importance of improving technology and communication in enrollment and advising. Trustee Jim Mathis thanked the administration for its ongoing efforts.

AGENDA ITEM TITLE: <u>Wyoming Community College Commission Adopted Rules related</u> to <u>Applied Baccalaureate</u> – Turpen/Hilaire/K. Moore

Interim Provost Scott Turpen discussed the draft Departmental Administrative Policy and Procedure (DAPP) on Notice of Applied Baccalaureate (AB) proposals at Wyoming Community Colleges (WCC). Trustee John McKinley addressed a proposed rule to remove the cap on the number of AB degrees WCC can offer, emphasizing the need for rigorous internal university procedures and effective responses to the Wyoming Community College Commission (WCCC). Trustee Michelle Sullivan questioned whether the university's input impacts WCCC decisions and if regional frustration with university offerings drives proposed WCC degrees. McKinley noted the proposed degrees were not addressing gaps in university curricula and highlighted concerns about the state funding duplicate programs. Trustee Kermit Brown underscored the university's responsibility to students and the state in using appropriations effectively. Turpen acknowledged Vice Provost for Online Education Matt Griswold's efforts to address student and state needs while improving communication with WCC. Trustees Brown and McKinley stressed the importance of clear guidance on course transferability to ensure students' paths to graduation are not disrupted.

AGENDA ITEM TITLE: <u>Annual Report: Academic Affairs, Sabbaticals/Leave for previous Academic Year (per UW Regulation 2-16)</u> – Benham-Deal

Senior Vice Provost Tami Benham-Deal presented the annual report on sabbaticals and introduced Professor in the Department of Civil and Architectural Engineering and Construction Management Liping Wang.

• Presentation by Liping Wang, Department of Civil and Architectural Engineering and Construction Management

Wang shared insights from her sabbatical at the Massachusetts Institute of Technology (MIT), which was instrumental in expanding her expertise from building technology to Controlled Environment Agriculture (CEA). She summarized her experience through three key themes: adapt, explore, and transform.

During her sabbatical, Wang:

- Developed a new module for EnergyPlus (a Department of Energy-sponsored program) to assess the environmental impact of indoor plants.
- Attended MIT courses, gaining valuable insights into plant biology and genome editing.
- Authored a research paper on CEA, currently under review.
- Delivered six national and international presentations.
- Submitted three major research proposals.
- Developed new coursework focused on CEA, sustainability, and community impact.

Wang discussed the establishment of a CEA research center at UW in 2023, one of five key university research hubs. Wang spearheaded an interdisciplinary research program on resource-efficient CEA for undergraduates, involving 16 faculty and scientists from UW, Plenty, and Vertical Harvest.

Wang's proposal, Rex AAA, which focuses on resilient, equitable, and carbon-neutral CEA solutions, was selected for collaboration with the Dutch Research Council (NWO), leveraging the Netherlands' expertise in greenhouse design and management. The sabbatical reinforced Wang's passion for teaching, inspiring her to develop hands-on learning strategies to engage students. It also deepened her recognition of CEA's potential to drive scientific innovation, economic growth, and community well-being.

University President Ed Seidel commended Wang's achievements, while Trustee Michelle Sullivan praised her transdisciplinary work and reflected on the impact of the Science Initiative.

AGENDA ITEM TITLE: <u>Trustees' Annual Discrimination and Harassment, Mandatory</u> **Report, and Bystander Intervention Training** - Osborn

The Board received its annual discrimination and harassment, mandatory report and bystander intervention training.

AGENDA ITEM TITLE: Research Excellence Presentation – Water Federalism: Tribal Sovereigns and Transboundary Waters in the American West – Jason Robison

College of Law Professor Jason Robison presented to the Board on his article, *Indigenizing Water Federalism: Native Nations and Western Compacts*, which examines the role of Native nations in interstate water compacts and explores ways to integrate tribal sovereignty into water governance. Robison provided background on his research since joining the University of Wyoming in 2013, focusing on Native water rights and public lands. His article builds on this work by analyzing the

legal history of interstate water compacts, their impact on Native water rights, and potential reforms for more inclusive governance. He highlighted the Compact Clause (Article I, Section 10 of the U.S. Constitution), which governs interstate agreements requiring congressional approval, and referenced a 1920s article by Justice Felix Frankfurter and Harvard Law School Dean James Landis, which advocated for negotiated agreements over Supreme Court litigation.

In the Western U.S., 16 major interstate water compacts affect significant Native lands, yet tribes are excluded from decision-making. Robison's article proposes a co-sovereign governance model, where tribes, states, and the federal government share equal representation in water management. This aligns with the United Nations Declaration on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples (UNDRIP), which supports Indigenous political participation. Robison also discussed the Equitable Apportionment Doctrine, which the Supreme Court uses to allocate water among states.

Robison outlined key challenges to implementing co-sovereign governance, including:

- Determining whether tribes should have direct representation.
- Deciding which tribes should participate in compact governance.
- Balancing proportional representation among stakeholders.

Robison also addressed procedural hurdles, such as:

- Whether existing compacts should be amended or renegotiated to include tribes.
- The feasibility of federal legislation mandating tribal participation.
- Alternative solutions like Memoranda of Understanding (MOUs), administrative rules, or compact regulations to enhance tribal involvement.

During the discussion, Robison responded to several inquiries. To Trustee Kermit Brown, Robison explained that while there have been two reported statutory apportionments, interstate water compacts remain dominant due to federalism concerns. Any shift toward a federal statutory system would need to balance state, federal, and tribal interests. To University President Ed Seidel, Robison discussed the role of tribes in water allocation, particularly as water from the Rocky Mountains supplies arid regions like Arizona. Robison acknowledged that tribal involvement remains a work in progress. Robison also addressed tensions between Upper and Lower Basin states regarding water distribution and shared insights on the Wyoming Survey Analysis Center (YSAC), which examines the scientific aspects of water management. Robison spoke about his ongoing research and offered thoughts on the film *Tribal Waters* in response to Trustee Brad Bonner. Trustee Michelle Sullivan commended Robison's impact as both a teacher and mentor to Native and non-Native students. Trustee Brown also recognized Wyoming attorneys Bill Worley and Ernie Goppert for their instrumental roles in drafting the Colorado River Compact and Yellowstone River Compact.

AGENDA ITEM TITLE: <u>Presentation and Update: School of Computing</u> – Turpen/Allen Trustee Michelle Sullivan emphasized the need for all students to graduate with computational skills and referenced a presentation by the School of Computing to the Academic and Student Affairs Committee in September 2024. Interim Provost Scott Turpen introduced School of Computing Director Gabrielle Allen, highlighting her accomplishments and awards, with additional remarks by College of Engineering and Applied Science (CEAS) Associate Dean Danny Dale.

Allen provided an update on the School of Computing's progress since Spring 2022, including a timeline of achievements, the development of 11 new courses, and its impact on 174 students across 36 academic units (48% female, 52% male). She discussed plans for sustainable growth, including a proposed move to Crane Hall, a Fall 2025 launch of a BS in Applied Computing, and the potential for a certificate program in computing. Allen also outlined efforts to expand computing across disciplines through data science, computational science, and applied computing, while highlighting industry, National Lab, and Wyoming Community College partnerships to support student recruitment and success. Allen described faculty engagement through adjuncts, fellows, UW Derecho Professors, advisory boards, and guest lecturers, as well as the school's alignment with the national push for interdisciplinary computing to meet demand in data-driven fields. Allen expressed the goal for the school to become an independent academic unit but noted she would not apply for the dean position.

Trustee Dave True recommended emphasizing Artificial Intelligence in recruitment, and Allen described ongoing marketing efforts. Trustee Michelle Sullivan praised Allen's leadership and suggested initiating UW Regulation 2-13 to transition the school from its incubation in CEAS. Turpen confirmed readiness, effective Thursday, November 23, 2025.

UW Regulation 2-13 – School of Computing 01-23-2025 @ 2:08 p.m.

Trustee Michelle Sullivan moved the Board to direct the Interim Provost to begin the UW Regulation 2-13 process to move the School of Computing out of its incubator home in the College of Engineering and Applied Science. Trustee Laura Schmid-Pizzato seconded the motion. The motion carried. Trustee David Fall was absent from the vote.

Trustee Laura Schmid-Pizzato commended Allen for her leadership and stewardship of the School of Computing. Trustee John McKinley discussed the UW Regulation 2-13 process, and recommended the Facilities Contracting Committee and the Biennium Budget Committee stay engaged to ensure appropriate long-term funding and space allocation. Trustee Michelle Sullivan reported that she directed Interim Provost Scott Turpen to guide the CEAS dean in preparing a report for the Academic and Student Affairs Committee in March 2025. The report will address Tier 1 Engineering and its progress in meeting the metrics outlined in the 2012 Wyoming Governor's Energy, Engineering, Stem Integration Task Force report.

AGENDA ITEM TITLE: Annual Report: Division of Research and Economic Development -- Chitnis

Vice President for Research and Economic Development (REDD) Parag Chitnis presented the division's annual report, highlighting accomplishments. The Research and Economic Development Division at the University of Wyoming oversees approximately 20 units, including service groups dedicated to research development, grant processing, and compliance, as well as economic development initiatives such as the Small Business Development Centers (SBDCs) and the Manufacturing Extension Program. Additionally, the division manages several research centers, including the Wyoming Survey and Analysis Center (YSAC), the Wyoming Natural Diversity Database (WYNDD), and the Center for Innovation in Precision Medicine, one of the largest in terms of research expenditures and personnel.

Over the past year, the division has focused on expanding research capacity, fostering economic

development, and improving internal processes. To enhance research activities across campus, more than \$2 million in seed grants were distributed, including 12 projects funded by the Quasi Endowment aimed at integrating artificial intelligence across various disciplines, from humanities to health sciences. External funding efforts have also seen significant success, with initiatives such as Accelerating Research Translation and the Wyoming-Colorado Innovation Engine bringing in additional resources. The number of grant applications submitted increased by 38% in 2024, leading to a substantial rise in awarded grants from \$120 million in 2023 to \$150 million—a 25% increase. Research expenditures also grew, reaching \$167 million, ensuring continued momentum in the years ahead.

In addition to advancing research, the division has made strides in economic development. Over the past year, it has supported two new startups and funded multiple translational research projects. A major milestone was achieving the Innovation & Economic Prosperity (IEP) designation from the Association of Public and Land-Grant Universities (APLU), a recognition of the university's excellence in driving economic impact through research. This designation comes with a clear roadmap for future growth over the next five years.

Organizational efficiency has been another key focus. Staffing levels have reached 90%, with ongoing efforts to improve retention and collaboration across departments. The division has also partnered with deans and vice presidents to jointly fund positions in four colleges, ensuring research and economic development support is well-integrated across the university. To enhance operational effectiveness, all service units were required to implement at least one improvement process over the past year, reinforcing the division's commitment to accountability and responsiveness.

School of Energy Resources (SER) Senior Director Scott Quillinan discussed SER's engagement with the Office of Research and Economic Development and the Technology Transfer Office stating growth would not be possible without this collaboration. Quillinan stated SER serves as a prime example of the impact of these initiatives. Over the past five years, SER's research portfolio has grown from \$16 million to over \$112 million, with an additional \$23 million awarded January 2025. The program has also secured \$60 million in state funding and filed 93 patents in the same five year period. Supporting 69 principal investigators across campus, SER credits much of its success to the strong partnership with the Research and Economic Development Division. This collaboration has been particularly evident in pre-award services and technology transfer efforts, where a customer-focused approach has ensured swift and effective responses to emerging challenges. A recent example involved addressing intellectual property concerns surrounding state-funded projects. Thanks to proactive engagement with the Technology Transfer Office (TTO), a resolution was reached within weeks, setting a new standard for efficiency in academia. Ultimately, the University of Wyoming's Research and Economic Development Division continues to drive progress through strategic investment, interdisciplinary collaboration, and a commitment to operational excellence. With continued focus on research growth, economic prosperity, and institutional efficiency, the division is well-positioned to further enhance the university's impact on both academia and the broader community.

AGENDA ITEM TITLE: Science Initiative Update – Chitnis/Gatlin

UW Science Institute Executive Director Jay Gatlin, reported, in his role as director, he oversees the state-funded Science Initiative (SI), which focuses on interdisciplinary research, Wyoming-specific challenges, and shared resource cores. Gatlin stated the SI provides seed grants, graduate fellowships, and educational outreach through Coalesce, led by an Associate Director of Engagement, UW Science Institute Mark Lyford It was reported that five interdisciplinary research projects were established following a 2023 ideation workshop, receiving funding in 2024 to form self-sustaining centers. These include:

- Wild Tech (Michael Dillon, Zoology & Physiology) Leveraging technology for wildlife conservation.
- Center for Controlled Environment Agriculture (Liping Wang, Engineering) Addressing food security via climate-resilient agriculture.
- Center for Quantum Information Science & Engineering (Jifa Chian, Physics) Advancing quantum technology and workforce development.
- Center for Energy Materials (Jing Zhao & John Hoberg, Chemistry) Researching rare earth elements and materials innovation.
- Center for Rural Community Resilience & Innovation (Jeff Hammerlink) Supporting rural communities in economic and environmental adaptation.

The initiative also supports three core research facilities:

- 1. Center for Advanced Scientific Instrumentation (CASI) Provides high-tech instruments for UW researchers, logging 2,500+ usage hours and 44 users last quarter.
- 2. Plant Growth & Phenotype Facility Modern greenhouse research space with 65 users and 78% occupancy.
- 3. Model Organism Research Facility (MORF) Newly completed vivarium set to receive its first animals soon.

Administrative efforts have focused on expanding capacity and user engagement through education and outreach:

- Learning Actively Mentoring Program (LAMP) (Rachel Watson) Trained 160+ faculty, fostering STEM education and earning faculty 15 teaching awards last year.
- Wyoming Research Scholars Program (Jamie Crate) Provides undergraduate research experience; students contributed to 13 publications and 24 conference presentations.
- SI Roadshow (Karagh Brummond & Aaron Clough) Expanded K-12 STEM outreach, tripling engagement. Programs include hands-on STEM Days in schools, senior center engagement, and the annual UW STEM Carnival. Future goals include increasing student outreach, deepening campus and statewide partnerships, and expanding program impact.

Trustee Brad Bonner asked the Board to contemplate that five years ago, there were skeptics about the value of investing additional funds in the Office of Research and Economic Development (ORED) and its division, but under Chitnis' leadership, research expenditures are rising impressively, and witnessing students enthusiastically present their work to the Research and Economic Development Committee is truly rewarding. The Office of Research and Economic Development ORED is in a much stronger position today. University President Ed Seidel stated the reports highlight the university's shift toward interdisciplinarity, which requires planning and collaboration. President Seidel reported that during a SI workshop, faculty engaged in deep discussions for the first time, sparking valuable connections. President Seidel cited growth in SER, the College of Health Sciences, the School of Computing, High Bay Research Facility, and

Humanities Institute demonstrate how leveraging university strengths fosters success. President Seidel stated funding from National Science Foundation, Department of Energy, and National Institutes of Health prioritize interdisciplinary programs, making the university more competitive. President Seidel stated donors value broad institutional impact, and the university's structures position it well for future success.

Trustee John McKinley reflected on the last decade of the SI from legislative vision to establishing a thriving scientific program and facility at the university. Trustee McKinley reminded the SI was built on two key components: a state-of-the-art facility and a strong programmatic foundation. Trustee McKinley stated that while securing funding for the building came more easily, the programmatic side faced challenges and inquired whether all the SI's programmatic funding provided by the legislature is being used exclusively for its intended purpose. Chitnis responded, stating that the funds are being allocated as outlined in the SI's last budget, maintaining a strict separation of resources. Chitnis went on to report that in cases where additional funding was needed, supplementary sources were utilized noting the example of the building manager's salary that was initially covered by SI funds, administration opted to redirect that expense to other resources, thereby freeing up more funds for SI administration. Chitnis stated grants such as Howard Hughes Medical Institute and Wyoming Innovation Partnership (WIP) funding have been leveraged to enhance program capabilities, including acquiring new instrumentation for the Center for Advanced Scientific Instrumentation (CASI) and greenhouse facilities. These efforts ensure that every dollar from the legislature is maximized to its full potential. Trustee McKinley emphasized the original guiding principles of the initiative, stating that while perspectives may shift, and evolution is natural, it is crucial to uphold the fundamental legislative vision, further stating that the SI was established to foster competition and collaboration, advancing scientific progress for the university and the state of Wyoming. Trustee McKinley encouraged continued focus on this mission, ensuring that the programmatic funding remains centered on advancing science.

Roll Call

At 3:21 p.m. Thursday, January 23, 2025, Executive Director and Deputy Secretary RoseMarie London took roll.

The following Trustees were present: Brad Bonner (Secretary); Kermit Brown (Chairman); Brad LaCroix, Carol Linton, Jim Mathis (via video conference), John McKinley, Macey Moore, Laura Schmid-Pizzato (Treasurer); Michelle Sullivan (Vice-chairman); and Dave True. Trustee David Fall was absent from the meeting.

Ex-officio Trustees present: University President Ed Seidel; and ASUW President Kameron Murfitt. Wyoming Community College Commission Executive Director Ben Moritz, State Superintendent for Public Instruction Megan Degenfelder; and Governor Mark Gordon were absent from the meeting.

Trustee Committee Reports

AGENDA ITEM TITLE: Executive Committee; Kermit Brown (Chairman)

Trustee Kermit Brown addressed the Board on a matter related to Thermo Fisher Scientific quotations for the purchase of a Helios 5 Hyrdra UX Plasma Dual Beam and a Spectra Ultra High ETEM for review and consideration by the Executive in December 2024. Trustee Brown stated that following Executive Committee discussion, Vice President and General Counsel Tara Evans came away with the understanding authority was given to move ahead, provided all statutory requirements were met. Trustee Brown stated Evans reported that before moving ahead all the conditions were satisfied. Trustee Brown went on to state that a member of the Executive Committee raised a procedural concern over whether the committee should have received certification of compliance from Evans before the purchase was made. Trustee Brown stated that Evans has addressed this concern in an email to the Board dated January 22, 2025, and further stated that despite differing views on the procedural process, all conditions have been met, the Thermo Fisher purchase is in order and the Board is asked to ratify the action. Evans reported that during the December 2024 Executive Committee meeting the proposed Thermo Fisher purchases were reviewed, and that she conferred with Vice President for Research and Economic Development Parag Chitnis, Vice President for Budget and Finance Alex Kean, Vice President for Government Affairs and Community Engagement Mike Smith, and Petroleum Engineering Professor Mohammad Piri to confirm compliance with all statutory and agreement conditions.

Trustee John McKinley stated he was satisfied that the concerns expressed by the Executive Committee were addressed and emphasized their importance as outlined in the legislative funding footnote. Trustee McKinley noted, the Executive Committee did not formally vote to approve the proposed purchase and should not have left administration with uncertainty. Trustee Brad Bonner stated his recollection concurred that the Executive Committee did not take action.

Thermo Fisher Scientific 01-23-2024 @ 3:35 p.m.

Trustee Brad Bonner moved the Board ratify the University's entry into the contract with Thermo Fisher Scientific Quotations for the purchase of a Helios 5 Hyrdra UX Plasma Dual Beam and a Spectra Ultra High ETEM with acknowledgment that the requirements of 2024 Wyoming Session Law, Ch. 118, Section 316 and the October 18, 2024, Master Research Agreement between the University of Wyoming and FEI Company (part of Thermo Fisher Scientific) are met. Trustee Brad LaCroix seconded the motion. The motion carried. Trustee David Fall was absent from the vote.

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

Trustee Michelle Sullivan stated the Trustees' Award of Merit recognizes individuals who have rendered meritorious service or made exemplary contributions to the University of Wyoming. Nominees demonstrate outstanding service to the university through various achievements and is pleased to publicly announce the nominee for the Trustees' Award of Merit is Dr. Tami Benham-Deal. "Joining the UW faculty in 1989, Dr. Benham-Deal has served the University of Wyoming, the state, and students for over 35 years, demonstrating a strong commitment to excellence in her teaching, service, research, and leadership roles. Tami has most

recently served as Sr. Vice Provost for Faculty Affairs and has been an invaluable partner in leading efforts on policy, budget reductions, college reorganizations, and even a pandemic. Through all her time at UW, Tami is known for her commitment to excellence, professionalism, and above all, her grace and respect for others."

Honorary Degree Award

01-23-2025 @ 3:32 p.m.

Trustee Michelle Sullivan moved the Board approve the Honorary Degree Award recipient as discussed in executive session. Trustee Macey Moore seconded the motion. The motion carried. Trustee David Fall was absent from the vote.

Trustees' Award of Merit 01-23-2025 @ 3:34 p.m.

Trustee Michelle Sullivan moved the Board approve the nomination of Senior Vice Provost Tami Benham-Deal for the Trustees' Award of Merit. Trustee Macey Moore seconded the motion. The motion carried. Trustee David Fall was absent from the vote.

Trustee Sullivan stated Benham-Deal will be honored during the May 2025 Commencement Dinner.

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

UW Student Fee Book 01-23-2025 @ 3:35 p.m.

In accordance with UW Regulation 7-11, Trustee Laura Schmid-Pizzato moved the Board approve all of the Academic Year 2025-2026 Student Fee Book recommendations as presented on pages 43-48 in the Biennium Budget Committee materials. Trustee Carol Linton seconded the motion. The motion carried. Trustee David Fall was absent from the vote.

Financial Aid Plan

01-23-2025 @ 3:37 p.m.

In accordance with UW Regulation 7-11, Trustee Laura Schmid-Pizzato moved the Board authorize administration to adopt the Financial Aid Strategies presented for the Academic Year 2026-27 awarding cycle, as presented on page 49 in the Biennium Budget Committee materials. Trustee Carol Linton seconded the motion. The motion carried. Trustee David Fall was absent from the vote.

University Legal Reserves Request – Equal Opportunity Report & Response 01-23-2025 @ 3:37 p.m.

In accordance with UW Regulation 7-1, Trustee Laura Schmid-Pizzato moved the Board authorize UW General Counsel to use up to one hundred, thirty thousand, six hundred and fifty-four dollars and two cents (\$130,654.02) from the university Legal Reserve account for Equal Opportunity Report & Response for the remainder of FY25. Trustee Carol Linton seconded the motion. The motion carried. Trustee David Fall was absent from the vote.

Trustees Special Projects Reserve Account – Risk Management Operations 01-23-2025 @ 3:38 p.m.

In accordance with UW Regulation 7-1, Trustee Laura Schmid-Pizzato moved the Board authorize UW General Counsel to use up to five hundred eighty-nine thousand, one hundred and sixty dollars and thirty-one cents (\$589,160.31) from the university Legal Reserve account for Risk Management Operations for the remainder of FY25. Trustee Carol Linton seconded the motion. The motion carried. Trustee David Fall was absent from the vote.

AGENDA ITEM TITLE: <u>Facilities Contracting Committee</u> — Carol Linton (Chairman) Trustee Carol Linton Trustee Carol Linton discussed the Board's November 2024 decision to reopen the call for artwork for the North Dining Hall. Trustee Linton stated the Beauty of the West by David Eaton has been selected and the FCC recommended approval in concurrence with the University President Ed Seidel. Trustee Kermit Brown stated Seidel and he would send a letter to the Wyoming Arts Council to report the selection.

Trustee Linton discussed the university approved palette of interior paint colors for interior campus spaces.

Anthropology Shelving – Architect Selection and Delivery Method 01-23-2025 @ 3:42 p.m.

Trustee Carol Linton moved the Board authorize administration to execute the agreement between Owner and Architect with GSG Architecture in the amount of ninety-four thousand five hundred seventy-five dollars (\$94,575.00) for the Anthropology Shelving project utilizing the design-bid-build delivery method to be funded from the design services budget. Trustee John McKinley seconded the motion. The motion carried. Trustee David Fall was absent from the vote.

Student Housing and Dining – Amendment to the Architect for Extended Timeline for Construction Administration Services 01-23-2025 @ 3:43 p.m.

Trustee Carol Linton moved the Board authorize administration to execute an amendment with alm2s for the Student Housing and Dining project funded from the design budget for a total amount not-to-exceed four hundred forty thousand dollars (\$440,000.00). Trustee John McKinley seconded the motion. The motion carried. Trustee David Fall was absent from the vote.

Laramie Research and Extension Center Feed Mill Replacement – Guaranteed Maximum Price Amendment

01-23-2025 @ 3:43 p.m.

Trustee Carol Linton moved the Board authorize administration to execute a contract amendment with Prairie Equipment, Laramie, WY, for the Laramie Research and Extension Center Feed Mill Replacement project, establishing a guaranteed maximum price in the amount not-to-exceed five million seventy-eight thousand dollars (\$5,078,000.00). Trustee John McKinley seconded the motion. The motion carried. Trustee David Fall was absent from the vote.

Aquatics Center – License Agreement with the City of Laramie for Power and Optic Lines 01-23-2025 @ 3:44 p.m.

Trustee Carol Linton moved the Board authorize administration to execute a license agreement with the City of Laramie to provide power and fiber to the UW Aquatics Center site. Trustee John McKinley seconded the motion. The motion carried. Trustee David Fall was absent from the vote.

Science Initiative Utility De-Coupling – Construction Agreement 01-23-2025 @ 3:44 p.m.

Trustee Carol Linton moved the Board authorize administration enter a construction contract with Underground Worx of Laramie, WY for the Science Initiative Utility De-Coupling project for one million fifty-six thousand four hundred seventy-six dollars (\$1,056,476.00) from the FY21 Major Maintenance Appropriation. Trustee John McKinley seconded the motion. The motion carried. Trustee David Fall was absent from the vote.

Crane Hall Renovation for School of Computing – Project Approval 01-23-2025 @ 3:45 p.m.

Trustee Carol Linton moved the Board authorize administration to proceed with the Crane Hall Renovation project for the School of Computing, for a total budget of one million eighty-five thousand dollars (\$1,085,000.00). Trustee Linton further moved to authorize administration to proceed with abatement of the north 3rd floor, entire 4th floor, and the stairwells on floors 1 through 6, for a total budget of five hundred sixty-three thousand dollars (\$563,000.00), and that these projects are to be funded with one million seventy-six thousand eight hundred eighty-nine dollars and sixty-seven cents (\$1,076,889.67) of major maintenance funding and five hundred seventy-one thousand one hundred ten dollars and thirty-three cents (\$571,110.33) of School of Computing unrestricted operating funds. John McKinley seconded the motion. The motion carried. Trustee David Fall was absent from the vote.

15th Street – Amendment to the City Resolution – Roundabouts 01-23-2025 @ 3:46 p.m.

Trustee Carol Linton moved the Board authorize administration to proceed with the amendment to the City of Laramie Resolution for construction of the 15th Street improvements. Trustee John McKinley seconded the motion. The motion carried. Trustee David Fall was absent from the vote.

Student Housing and Dining – Construction Change Order for Closet Backing 01-23-2025 @ 3:46 p.m.

Trustee Carol Linton moved the Board authorize administration to execute a construction change order with JE Dunn for closet backing for the Student Housing and Dining project in an amount not-to-exceed one hundred twenty thousand three hundred ninety-one dollars (\$120,391.00) funded from the Owner's Contingency. Trustee John McKinley seconded the motion. The motion carried. Trustee David Fall was absent from the vote.

Visionary Broadband – 117 Rainbow Valley Lodge (President's Cabin) – Fiber Optic Line Aerial Easement

01-23-2025 @ 3:47 p.m.

Trustee Carol Linton moved the Board authorize administration to sign an aerial fiber optic line easement with Visionary Broadband at 117 Rainbow Valley Lodge Road, Centennial, WY., contingent upon administration adding a more detailed description of the easement location. Trustee John McKinley seconded the motion. The motion carried. Trustee David Fall was absent from the vote.

Leavitt – User Requested Changes to Mesonet Land Use Agreement 01-23-2025 @ 3:48 p.m.

Trustee Carol Linton moved the Board approve of the Land Access and Use Agreement, incorporating user requested changes, and authorize administration to execute the Land Access and Use Agreement needed for the Wyoming Mesonet project. Trustee John McKinley seconded the motion. The motion carried. Trustee David Fall was absent from the vote.

Mountain View Medical Park – Request for Lease Termination 01-23-2025 @ 3:48 p.m.

Trustee Carol Linton moved the Board approve an early termination of the lease between the university and Urology Clinic, P.C. effective February 28, 2025. Trustee John McKinley seconded the motion. The motion carried. Trustee David Fall was absent from the vote.

Wyoming Public Radio – Dubois Telephone Exchange – Dubois, Windy Ridge – Site Sub-License Extension

01-23-2025 @ 3:48 p.m.

Trustee Carol Linton moved the Board authorize administration to sign the sub-license agreement for the Wyoming Public Radio tower site with Dubois Telephone Exchange, LLC. Dba Range near Dubois, WY. Trustee Brad LaCroix seconded the motion. The motion carried. Trustee Dave Fall was absent from the vote.

AGENDA ITEM TITLE: Fiscal and Legal Affairs Committee – Macy Moore (Chairman)

Trustee Macey Moore provided the Board with a summary of the Fiscal and Legal Affairs Committee discussion. Trustee Moore stated the committee received a quarterly investment performance report from PFM Asset Management, as well as a Gramm-Leach Bliley Act Report from Interim Vice President for Information Technology Jen Chavez. Trustee Moore reported Director of Internal Audit Whit Madere provided the committee a status report of several open internal audits.

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

Trustee Brad Bonner provided a summary report of information received by the Committee in Trustee Fall's absence. Trustee Bonner stated that in addition to a regular research division update, the committee received presentations from the following research scholars:

Isabelle Burky Effects of Season and Competition on Trout Diets in Alpine Lakes; Brody Greene Multiphysics Modeling on Frontal Polymerization in 3d-Printed Resin; Ty Hults Diet Comparison of Greater Yellowstone Rocky Mountain Bighorn Sheep (Ovis canadensis); Alison Jensen

Atomistic Modelling of Nuclear Fuels and Fission Products; Jack Leever Methods of Recording Acoustic Reference Calls from Hand-Released Bats; Nikiphoros Vlastos Probing Light-Induced Isomerization Dynamics of Azobenzene Confirmed within Metal-Organic Frameworks: A Time Dependent Density Functional Theory Investigation; and Lucas Wall Protecting Teeth with Viruses?

Friday, January 24, 2025 Marian. H. Rochelle Gateway Center Business Meeting 10:15 a.m.

Roll Call

At 10:23 a.m. on Friday, January 24, 2025, Executive Director and Deputy Secretary RoseMarie London took roll.

The following Trustees were present: Brad Bonner (Secretary); Kermit Brown (Chairman); Brad LaCroix, Carol Linton, Jim Mathis (via video conference), John McKinley, Macey Moore, Laura Schmid-Pizzato (Treasurer); Michelle Sullivan (Vice-chairman); Trustees David Fall and Dave True were absent from the meeting.

Ex-officio Trustees present: University President Ed Seidel. ASUW President Kameron Murfitt, Wyoming Community College Commission Executive Director Ben Moritz, State Superintendent for Public Instruction Megan Degenfelder; and Governor Mark Gordon were absent from the meeting.

Approval of Board of Trustees Meeting Minutes (Public Session & Executive Session) 01-24-2025 @10:23 a.m.

Trustee Brad Bonner moved to approve the November 20-22, 2024, and December 11, 2024, UW Board of Trustees public and executive session meeting minutes. Trustee Brad LaCroix seconded the motion. The motion carried. Trustees David Fall and Dave True were absent from the meeting.

Retention and public access of Board meeting livestream – London

Trustee Kermit Brown pointed the Board's attention to the information regarding a proposed process related to retention and access to Board meeting video. Executive Director and Deputy Secretary RoseMarie London stated, in response to increased internal and external stakeholder requests for access to archived Board meeting video, it is necessary to create a retention policy and process for public access and perpetual storage of Board meeting video further stating that prior to 2020, only Board meeting audio was archived and made available upon request. London stated the COVID-19 pandemic necessitated the expectation of live streamed Board meetings replacing the internal archive of meeting audio with video, and in 2021 she initiated an internal process whereby Board meeting video links are publicly accessible on the Board's public facing website until the next Board meeting. London stated in February 2022, the Board approved the Departmental Administrative Policy and Procedure (DAPP): Board of Trustees Records Transfer to the American Heritage Center related to care, handling, preservation, and access to the Board's permanent records. London reported the recommended video access and retention process before

the Board will align with the steps outlined in the DAPP. Trustee Sullivan acknowledged London's work to guarantee appropriate management of the Board's permanent records, and her cooperative relationship with the American Heritage Center to assure public access and preservation of the historical record.

Retention of and Access to Board Meeting Video 01-24-2023 @ 10:26 a.m.

Trustee John McKinley moved the Board authorize the Executive Director and Deputy Secretary create and maintain a dedicated page on the Board's website to house Board meeting video links for the calendar year and at the beginning of the next following calendar year, transfer video to the American Heritage Center with other permanent Board records for appropriate access and storage. Trustee Carol Linton seconded the motion. The motion carried. Trustees Dave True and David Fall were absent from the vote.

Discussion: Appointment of New Trustees [as appropriate] – Brown

There was no discussion about the appointment of new trustees.

Appointment of Board of Trustees Officer Nomination Committee – Brown

Chairman Kermit Brown appointed Trustees Carol Linton and John McKinley to the officer nominating committee with a report from the committee during the March 2025 meeting.

Reports

ASUW – President Kameron Murfitt

ASUW President Kameron Murfitt provided a written report in advance.

Staff Senate – President Adam Comeau

Staff Senate President Adam Comeau reported the annual December Holiday Market raised \$7,239, which is a marked increase from the previous year. Comeau reported that a total of 69 vendors participated in the event. Comeau noted that the funds are used for Staff Recognition Day to be held on April 7, 2025, in the Arena Auditorium. Comeau stated that during Staff Recognition Day, awards are distributed to university staff members recognizing years of service, as well as celebrating noteworthy contributions to the university. Comeau reported that the election of officers was held during the January 2025 Staff Senate meeting, with Jesse Grosinger voted as President-elect effective July 1, 2025.

Faculty Senate – Chairman Ray Fertig

Faculty Senate Chairman Ray Fertig reported that Faculty Senate's primary focus has been reviewing the proposed draft NextGen University Studies Program (USP) document. Fertig stated that Faculty Senate Resolution 479 recommending changes to the proposed draft was submitted to the NextGen USP committee in December 2024. Fertig reported that the Faculty Senate Executive committee met with University President Ed Seidel, Interim Provost Scott Turpen, and Vice Provost for Undergraduate Education Michelle Hillaire to discuss Faculty Senate feedback. Fertig reported the Executive Committee is awaiting response from the NextGen USP committee regarding the suggested changes. Fertig reported that it has been stated implementation could take place in fall of 2027 instead of fall of 2026 and noted that Faculty Senate would likely support this change in timing for logistical reasons.

Wyoming Community College Commission – Executive Director Ben Moritz

Wyoming Community College Commission Executive Director Ben Moritz was absent from the meeting.

Public Comment [Scheduled for Thursday, January 24, 2025, 11:00 a.m.] There was no public comment during the January 2025 UW Board of Trustees meeting.

Committee of the Whole

Regular Business

Board Committee Reports [Scheduled for Thursday, January 24, 2025, at 3:00 p.m.]

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

Liaison to Other Boards – [Written reports are provided to the Board in advance of the meeting.]

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

OTHER ACTION TAKEN AT MEETING

Institutional Marketing and Communications Trustee Special Projects Reserve Request 01-23-2024 @ 3:22 p.m.

Trustee Laura Schmid-Pizzato moved the Board authorize UW Institutional Marketing and Communications to use up to two million dollars (\$2,000,000.00) from the Trustees' Special Projects Reserve account with the president's recommendation. Trustee Carol Linton seconded the motion. The motion carried. Trustee David Fall was absent from the vote.

2024 State Matching Funds 01-23-2024 @ 3:30 p.m.

Trustee John McKinley moved the Board authorize the 2024 state match to be used for matching deanship, endowment, and excellence endowment funds. Trustee Laura Schmid-Pizzato seconded the motion. The motion carried. Trustee David Fall was absent from the vote.

Amendment No. 4 to the Agreement for Services between the Trustees of the University of Wyoming and Wood Group USA, Inc.

01-23-2025 @ 4:02 p.m.

Trustee Dave True moved the Board authorize administration to execute Amendment No. 4 to the Agreement for Services between the Trustees of the University of Wyoming and Wood Group USA, Inc. Trustee Carol Linton seconded the motion. The motion carried. Trustee David Fall was absent from the vote.

Updated Event and Ticket Process for UW Board of Trustees, and Updated Practices and Policies

01-25-2025 @ 10:29 a.m.

Trustee McKinley moved board adopt Updated Event and Ticket Process for UW Board of Trustees, and Updated Practices and Policies dated January 24, 2025. Trustee Michelle Sullivan seconded the motion. The motion carried. Trustees David Fall and Dave True were absent from the vote.

Template Research and Operating Agreement for the Wyoming Gas Injection Initiative 01-24-2025 @ 10:38 a.m.

Trustee Laura Schmid-Pizzato moved the Board approve the modifications made to the Research and Operating Agreement for the Wyoming Gas Injection Initiative with Continental Resources, Inc., Occidental Petroleum, Devon Energy Corporation, and Ballard Petroleum. Trustee Brad Bonner seconded the motion. The motion carried. Trustees David Fall and Dave True were absent from the vote.

Academic Personnel Report 01-24-2025 @ 10:38 a.m.

Trustee Michelle Sullivan moved the Board approve the Academic Personnel Report as provided. Trustee Carol Linton seconded the motion. The motion carried. Trustees David Fall and Dave True were absent from the vote.

Named Deanship for the College of Agriculture, Life Sciences and Natural Resources 01-24-2025 @ 10:40 a.m.

Trustee Brad Bonner moved to authorize administration to negotiate the Restated Endowed Deanship Agreement with the donor. If any changes are made to the agreement as presented on January 23, 2025, the final agreement will be provided to the Board for review and consideration. Trustee Jim Mathis seconded the motion. The motion carried. Trustees David Fall and Dave True were absent from the vote.

Information Only Items: [no action, discussion, or work session]

- Annual Report: Faculty workload (per UW Regulation 2-9) [postponed from November 2024] Turpen/Benham-Deal
- Contracts and Procurement Report (per UW Regulation 7-2) Evans
- Capital Construction Report Brown/Mai
- Foundation Monthly Giving Report Stark

New Business

Trustee McKinley invited trustees to contact him or Trustee Carol Linton with an interest in serving as an officer of the Board.

Date of Next Meeting: February 19, 2025 (video conference)

The meeting was adjourned at 11:05 a.m.

Executive Session Information

[The UW Board of Trustees met in Executive Session on Thursday, January 23, 2025, and Friday, January 24, 2025, in person and via video conference.]

Executive Session I Thursday, January 23, 2025 8:00 a.m. Marian H. Rochelle Gateway Center

The University of Wyoming Board of Trustees called the meeting to order at 8:00 a.m. Trustee Brad Bonner moved the Board enter Executive Session

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

- Trustees Brad Bonner (Secretary), Kermit Brown (Chairman), Brad LaCroix, Carol Linton, Jim Mathis (via video conference), John McKinley, Macey Moore, Laura Schmid-Pizzato (Treasurer), Michelle Sullivan (Vice Chairman), and Dave True. Trustee David Fall was absent from the meeting.
- Ex-officio members UW President Ed Seidel and ASUW President Kameron Murfitt. State Superintendent for Public Instruction Megan Degenfelder, Executive Director of the Wyoming Community College Commission Ben Moritz, and Governor Mark Gordon were absent from the meeting. Deputy Policy Advisor Lachelle Brant attended on Governor Gordon's behalf (via video conference.)
- Interim Provost Scott Turpen
- Vice President and General Counsel Tara Evans
- o Deputy General Counsel Paula Whaley
- o Vice President for Government Affairs and Community Engagement Mike Smith
- Vice President for Budget and Finance Alex Kean
- o Executive Director and Deputy Secretary RoseMarie London
- o Desktop Support Team Manager Margarita Rovani

And the following administrators attended during their respective topics:

- o Athletic Director Tom Burman or Athletic Deputy Director Matt Whisenant
- Vice Provost for Faculty Affairs David Bagley
- o Vice President for Research and Economic Development Parag Chitnis
- o Petroleum Engineering Professor Mohammad Piri
- o Deputy Vice President for Research and Economic Development Arun Pradhan
- o School of Energy Resources Executive Director Holly Krutka

- Vice President for Institutional Advancement John Stark
- o College of Agriculture Dean Kelly Crane

Executive Session II Friday, January 24, 2025 8:00 a.m. Marian H. Rochelle Gateway Center

The University of Wyoming Board of Trustees called the meeting to order at 8:04 a.m. Trustee Brad Bonner moved the Board enter Executive Session

- 1. To consider the appointment, employment, right to practice or dismissal of a public employee and to consider accepting or tendering offers concerning wages, salaries, benefits, and terms of employment during all negotiations (16-4-405(a)(ii) and 16-4-405(a)(x)); and
- 2. To consider or receive any information classified as confidential by law (16-4-405(a)(ix)) Trustee Carol Linton seconded the motion. The motion carried. Trustee David Fall was absent from the vote.

The session was attended by:

- Trustees Brad Bonner (Secretary), Kermit Brown (Chairman), Brad LaCroix, Carol Linton, Jim Mathis (via video conference), John McKinley, Macey Moore, Laura Schmid-Pizzato (Treasurer), Michelle Sullivan (Vice Chairman), and Dave True. Trustee David Fall was absent from the meeting.
- Ex-officio members UW President Ed Seidel. ASUW President Kameron Murfitt, State Superintendent for Public Instruction Megan Degenfelder, Executive Director of the Wyoming Community College Commission Ben Moritz, and Governor Mark Gordon were absent from the meeting.
- Interim Provost Scott Turpen
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- o Vice President for Government Affairs and Community Engagement Mike Smith
- O Vice President for Budget and Finance Alex Kean
- o Executive Director and Deputy Secretary RoseMarie London
- o Desktop Support Team Manager Margarita Rovani

And the following administrators attended during their respective topics:

- Vice President for Campus Operations Bill Mai
- o Director of Internal Audit Whit Madere
- Vice President for Research and Economic Development Parag Chitnis
- o Petroleum Engineering Professor Mohammad Piri
- o Deputy Vice President for Research and Economic Development Arun Pradhan

At 10:41 a.m. Trustee Brad Bonner moved the Board enter Executive Session

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

The session was attended by:

- Trustees Brad Bonner (Secretary), Kermit Brown (Chairman), Brad LaCroix, Carol Linton, Jim Mathis (via video conference), John McKinley, Macey Moore, Laura Schmid-Pizzato (Treasurer), Michelle Sullivan (Vice Chairman), and Dave True. Trustee David Fall was absent from the meeting.
- ASUW President Kameron Murfitt, State Superintendent for Public Instruction Megan Degenfelder, Executive Director of the Wyoming Community College Commission Ben Moritz, and Governor Mark Gordon were absent from the meeting.

Trustee Brad LaCroix seconded the motion. The motion carried. Trustee David Fall was absent from the vote.

Respectfully submitted,

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RoseMarie London

Executive Director and Deputy Secretary, UW Board of Trustees