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THE UNIVERSITY OF WYOMING

SUMMARY MEETING MINUTES

OF THE TRUSTEES

May 13-15, 2026

PUBLIC SESSION

University of Wyoming

Vision

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

Mission

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

Values

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

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THE UNIVERSITY OF WYOMING
SUMMARY MINUTES OF THE BOARD
OF TRUSTEES
May 13-15, 2026
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 on Wednesday, May 13, 2026, Thursday, May 14, 2026, and Friday, May 15, 2026, for its regular meeting. Committee Meetings were held on Wednesday, May 13, 2026. The Board's business meeting was held on Friday, May 15, 2026. The Trustees' Budget Hearings were held Monday, May 11, 2026, and Tuesday, May 12, 2026.

TRUSTEES OF THE UNIVERSITY OF WYOMING
BOARD MEETING AGENDA
May 13-15, 2026
Marian H. Rochelle Gateway Center
Laramie, Wyoming

WORK SESSIONS

Thursday, May 14, 2026
Meeting Location: Marian H. Rochelle Gateway Center

The UW Board of Trustees meeting was called to order at 8:30 a.m. on Thursday, May 14, 2026. Trustee Carol Linton moved the Board enter executive session. Trustee Brad LaCroix seconded the motion. The motion carried. The Board reconvened in public session at 11:24 a.m.

AGENDA ITEM TITLE: Recognitions/Resolutions – Sullivan

Resolution – Outgoing Chairman Kermit Brown
05-14-2026 @ 11:30 a.m.
Trustee Michelle Sullivan moved the Board adopt the following resolution: Whereas, Kermit Brown has served with distinction for the benefit of students, faculty, staff, and the wider University of Wyoming community during his two terms from May 2024 to May 2026 as Chairman of the University of Wyoming Board of Trustees; Now, therefore be it resolved by the Board of Trustees of the University of Wyoming that this resolution expressing deep appreciation and gratitude for Kermit Brown's service and contributions to the University of Wyoming be unanimously adopted. Thank you, Kermit Brown, for your exemplary leadership and service. Trustee Tom Walters seconded the motion. The motion carried. Trustee John McKinley was absent from the vote. Trustee Paul Ulrich was absent from the meeting.

AGENDA ITEM TITLE: Leading in AI: National Opportunities, Strategic Partnerships, and Institutional Alignment – Seidel/Chitnis/Allen/Hamerlinck/Davies/Michalak/Williams/Lance
Vice President for Research and Economic Development Parag Chitnis outlined the national AI landscape stating the current federal administration has intensified investments in AI, focusing on economic competitiveness, scientific discovery, infrastructure, workforce development, and industry-led innovation. Chitnis stated that federal agencies, particularly the National Science Foundation (NSF) and the Department of Energy (DOE), continue to prioritize AI funding despite broader budget constraints. Chitnis stated the university positioned to capitalize on these opportunities due to longstanding investments in computing infrastructure, the School of Computing, and the Advanced Research Computing Center under University President Ed Seidel's leadership. Chitnis discussed institutional investments, including AI seed grants, state-supported matching funds, industry partnerships, national laboratory collaborations, and support for Wyoming businesses through AI-related outreach programs. Chitnis reported the university recently submitted 29 proposals to the DOE's Genesis Mission initiative, with participation extending across nearly every college. Chitnis stated President Seidel established the *AI Across the University Commission* to better coordinate efforts.

Chairman of the *AI Across the University Commission* Jeff Hamerlinck described the commission's role and reported that the commission has been gathering information from faculty, staff, and stakeholders to develop a strategic roadmap and recommendations for future investments. A formal report is expected to be delivered to university leadership in June. Physics and Astronomy Senior Lecturer Rudy Michalak described a grassroots effort to connect faculty engaged in AI-related work and encourage campus-wide dialogue about opportunities and concerns. Michalak highlighted practical applications of AI in teaching and research. Counseling Leadership Associate Professor Maya Williams discussed efforts within the College of Education and the commission's Teaching and Learning Committee and reported on the creation of interdisciplinary faculty development programs, including conferences and workshops focused on AI, ethics, assessment, creativity, and student preparedness. Williams described ongoing curriculum modernization efforts designed to strengthen digital literacy, critical evaluation skills, and AI leadership capabilities among graduate students. School of Computing Assistant Research Scientist Alethea Davies discussed how AI is being applied to Wyoming's key economic sectors. Davies stated that AI serves as an accelerator for scientific productivity rather than a replacement for human expertise, allowing researchers to focus on innovation and high-value scientific work. Undergraduate student Michael Lance described his work on an AI-driven computer vision project that analyzes aerial imagery to estimate pronghorn populations and discussed his upcoming internship at Argonne National Laboratory. Lance credited UW's AI initiatives, faculty mentorship, and AI seed funding for expanding his educational and professional opportunities.

Roll call
On Thursday, May 14, 2026, at 1:33 p.m. Executive Director and Deputy Secretary RoseMarie London called roll.

Trustees present: Brad Bonner (Treasurer) (via video conference); Kermit Brown; David Fall; Mike Greear; Brad LaCroix; Carol Linton (Secretary); Jim Mathis; John McKinley; Laura Schmid-Pizzato (Vice Chairman); Michelle Sullivan (Chairman); Tom Walters. Trustee Paul Ulrich was absent from the meeting.
Ex-officio members present: ASUW President Sam Kaiser. University President Ed Seidel; Governor Mark Gordon; State Superintendent for Public Instruction Megan Degenfelder; and Wyoming Community College Commission Executive Director Laurel Ballard were absent. Chief of Staff Dicky Shanor attended on Superintendent Degenfelder's behalf.

AGENDA ITEM TITLE: <u>Cybersecurity Program Overview: Protecting UW's Mission</u>– McLaughlin/M. Kelly
Vice President for Information Technology Amy McLaughlin presented an overview of the institution's cybersecurity strategy, emphasizing that cybersecurity is a significant institutional risk affecting academic operations, research, compliance, finances, and institutional reputation. Officials noted that cyber threats continue to increase in sophistication and frequency while institutional resources have remained relatively flat for more than a decade. A key development during the past year was the establishment of the Chief Information Security Officer (CISO) role through the elevation of Matt Kelly. McLaughlin stated that the position strengthens governance, accountability, and executive oversight of cybersecurity risk and aligns the university with R1 best practices.

Kelly highlighted the evolving threat landscape facing higher education, including phishing, credential compromise, ransomware, malware, third-party vulnerabilities, and AI-enabled attacks. Officials emphasized that higher education institutions remain attractive targets because of decentralized systems, open environments, and the volume of sensitive data maintained by universities. Kelly outlined UW's centrally coordinated cybersecurity program, which includes policy development, vulnerability management, penetration testing, identity and access management, network segmentation, endpoint protection, and incident response planning. Officials also described the university's extensive monitoring capabilities, including a Security Information and Event Management (SIEM) platform that processes approximately 1.8 billion security events daily.

McLaughlin emphasized cybersecurity awareness and workforce development initiatives, including the university's first Cybersecurity Awareness Month, statewide outreach efforts with Cyber Wyoming, and plans to launch a student-staffed Security Operations Center providing hands-on experience, internships, and certification pathways. McLaughlin stated her unit is identifying strategic priorities including formalizing cybersecurity policies, increasing automation, expanding awareness and training efforts, strengthening proactive testing and preparedness activities, and broadening regional cybersecurity education through partnerships with Wyoming community colleges and statewide engagement. McLaughlin concluded stating that cybersecurity remains a critical institutional stewardship and governance responsibility requiring continued Board engagement.

Trustee Michelle Sullivan invited McLaughlin to discuss communication when there is a data breach. McLaughlin stated it is important to not disrupt any investigation of the event, and to right the balance of what is known and unknown to temper anxiety. McLaughlin discussed coordination with general counsel to determine appropriate protocols and compliance. Trustee Mike Greear inquire about "table-top" exercises to which Kelly described internal discussions about lessons learned from the Cybersecurity incident involving Canvas Learning Management System.

AGENDA ITEM TITLE: **Experiential Learning Impacts on Student Success** – Alexander
Students shared how experiential learning opportunities at the university have significantly enhanced their academic development, professional skills, and career direction. Students highlighted experiences including internships, study abroad programs, student leadership, service learning, and independent research. Gwen Hargett discussed opportunities ranging from an internship in Governor Gordon's Office to study abroad in Jordan. In response to inquiry from ASUW President Sam Kaiser, Hargett described the university's subsidization of her internship, assistance which made it possible for her to participate.

James Paterson described study abroad and research experiences connected to health sciences through the university's partnership with the Shanghai University of Sport. Austin Barth provided a detailed overview of his behavioral ecology research in Panama, conducted in partnership with the university and Smithsonian researchers. His fieldwork involved studying chestnut-backed antbirds through acoustic playback experiments and observational research in Soberanía National Park. Barth emphasized that the experience strengthened his scientific research abilities, communication skills, and confidence while clarifying his career interests in wildlife and behavioral ecology research.

Trustee Michelle Sullivan invited the students to describe their mentorship experiences.

AGENDA ITEM TITLE: **From Extreme Biology to Real-World Impact: Bioprospecting, Innovation, and Undergraduate Training** – Chitnis/Boothby/Walton

Vice President for Research and Economic Development Parag Chitnis introduced Molecular Biology Professor Thomas Boothby and undergraduate researcher Josephine Walton and noted the success of their mentor mentee relationship and highlighted how experiential learning and undergraduate research are driving scientific innovation and student success at the university.

Boothby discussed research involving tardigrades—microscopic organisms capable of surviving extreme environmental conditions—and the potential applications of this work in areas such as drought-resistant crops, biomedical material preservation, and stress-tolerant systems. Boothby stated undergraduate trainees are central to the research enterprise. Using Walton's experience as a case study, Boothby described a mentorship model that promotes independence, accountability, scientific collaboration, and full integration into the research community through conferences, grant work, presentations, and laboratory leadership opportunities.

Walton described her academic journey from Sheridan College coursework to advanced microbiome research exploring how microbiomes may contribute to stress resilience in tardigrades, with findings suggesting that survival outcomes depend on the overall structure and balance of biological systems. Walton has received several prestigious recognitions, including being a National Science Foundation Graduate Research Fellow, and will remain at the university to continue her research and pursue her PhD.

Walton's student experience emphasized the value of hands-on undergraduate research in developing critical thinking, experimental design, scientific communication, and career advancement while contributing to real-world scientific discovery and innovation.

AGENDA ITEM TITLE: **Leading from Within: UW's Leadership Institutes** – Seidel/Rapp/Haller/Fink/D. Stark/Taggart/Scasta
Trustee Michelle Sullivan introduced the following as an opportunity to highlight the leadership initiatives launched by University President Ed Siedel.

UW Leadership Academy (Student Leadership Development)
Director of the Center for Principle-Based Leadership and Ethics Chris Haller and student participant Owen Fink, highlighted the UW Leadership Academy as a flagship student leadership initiative developed in partnership with *Leadership Wyoming*. The program provides undergraduate students with immersive leadership development experiences focused on Wyoming's industries, communities, and workforce needs. Through coursework, statewide travel, mentorship, and civic engagement opportunities, students gain exposure to sectors including healthcare, agriculture, education, tourism, manufacturing, and energy while developing leadership, communication, and character skills. Presenters emphasized the program's role in helping students recognize long-term professional opportunities within Wyoming. Fink described the academy as transformational, crediting it with expanding his professional network, leadership opportunities, and understanding of Wyoming's economic and civic landscape.

Ranch Management and Agricultural Leadership Program
University Foundation Board Chair Doug Stark, described the Ranch Management and Agricultural Leadership Program as an emerging leadership initiative within the College of Agriculture, Life Sciences, and Natural Resources that integrates executive-level leadership development into agricultural education. The program includes upper-level leadership coursework focused on personal development, decision-making, communication, and leadership effectiveness for students pursuing careers in agriculture and industry leadership. Stark emphasized the strong student response to the program, with participants describing the coursework as life-changing and uniquely focused on self-development as the foundation for leadership. Stark also highlighted the program's growing external engagement through leadership training partnerships with ranches, agricultural organizations, university groups, and private industry across Wyoming, helping position the university as a broader leadership development resource for the state.

Faculty and Staff Leadership Institutes
Associate Professor and Director of the Master of Public Administration program Gable Taggart, along with faculty participant Derek Skasta represented the Faculty Leadership Institute; the Presidential Leadership Institute for Staff was represented by Office of Pre-award Serviced Senior Director Pharrell Rapp. The presenters described these initiatives as strategic investments in developing leadership capacity across the university. Both institutes utilize cohort-based models focused on collaboration, mentorship, leadership assessment, and engagement with university leadership on topics including governance, finance, legal affairs, and organizational management. Skasta shared that the Faculty Leadership Institute significantly improved his leadership readiness and contributed to his transition into an interim associate dean role. Rapp emphasized the importance of community-building, self-reflection, and leadership development opportunities for staff, describing the program as a meaningful professional growth experience that strengthened collaboration and institutional engagement. University leadership framed these institutes as essential to developing internal talent, strengthening organizational culture, and preparing the university for future institutional challenges and opportunities.

Trustee Michelle Sullivan provided the presenters with the opportunity to offer further reflection on themes that presented around leadership lessons.

Trustee Committee Reports

AGENDA ITEM TITLE: <u>Academic and Student Affairs Committee</u> – Brad Bonner (Chairman)
Trustee Brad Bonner stated the Academic and Student Affairs Committee received information related to the AY27/28 to 29/30 Academic Calendars, to include the consideration of impacts of a proposed full week off at Thanksgiving which was rejected after examination by the administrative calendar committee. Trustee Bonner went on to discuss the continuous review of low producing programs, and administration's recommendations. Trustee Bonner discussed the recommendation to approve notices of intent and requests for authorization for several

new programs. Trustee David Fall noted the Request for Authorization: Bachelor of Arts in Early Childhood/Early Childhood Special Education is a direct result of the Trustees' Education Initiative. Trustee Bonner recommended the following action.

AY 27/28 to AY 29/30 Calendars
05-14-2026 @ 3:42 p.m.
Trustee Brad Bonner moved the Board approve the final traditional academic calendars for AY 27/28 through AY 29/30 be approved as presented. Trustee Tom Walters seconded the motion. The motion carried. Trustees Michelle Sullivan and Carol Linton were absent from the vote. Trustee Paul Ulrich was absent from the meeting.

Low Producing Programs 2-13 Recommendations
05-14-2026 @ 3:45 p.m.
Trustee Brad Bonner moved the Board approve the M.S. in Entomology, the Ph.D. in Entomology, and the B.S. in Energy Systems Engineering be discontinued, and that the B.A. in Religious Studies be consolidated with the B.A. in Philosophy with concentrations in Religious Studies and Philosophy. Trustee Tom Walters seconded the motion. The motion carried. Trustee Michelle Sullivan was absent from the vote. Trustee Paul Ulrich was absent from the meeting.

Notice of Intent: Undergraduate Certificate in Forest Resources
05-14-2026 @ 3:47 p.m.
Trustee Brad Bonner moved the Board approve the Notice of Intent for the Undergraduate Certificate in Forest Resources. Trustee Tom Walters seconded the motion. The motion carried. Trustee Paul Ulrich was absent from the meeting.

Notice of Intent: Graduate Certificate in Dyslexia
05-14-2026 @ 3:49 p.m.
Trustee Brad Bonner moved the Board approve the Notice of Intent for the Graduate Certificate in Dyslexia. Trustee David Fall seconded the motion. The motion carried. Trustee Paul Ulrich was absent from the meeting.

Notice of Intent: Graduate Certificate in Mid-Level Science Education
05-14-2026 @ 3:49 p.m.
Trustee Brad Bonner moved the Board approve the Notice of Intent for the Graduate Certificate in Mid-Level Science Education. Trustee Tom Walters seconded the motion. The motion carried. Trustee Paul Ulrich was absent from the meeting.

Notice of Intent: Graduate Certificate in Mid-Level Mathematics Education
05-14-2026 @ 3:50 p.m.
Trustee Brad Bonner moved the Board approve the Notice of Intent for the Graduate Certificate in Mid-Level Mathematics Education. Trustee Tom Walters seconded the motion. The motion carried. Trustee Paul Ulrich was absent from the meeting.

Request for Authorization: Undergraduate Certificate in Ranch Management and Agricultural Leadership
05-14-2026 @ 3:51 p.m.
Trustee Brad Bonner moved the Board approve the Request for Authorization for the Undergraduate Certificate in Ranch Management and Agricultural Leadership. Trustee Tom Walters seconded the motion. The motion carried. Trustee Paul Ulrich was absent from the meeting.

Request for Authorization: Bachelor of Arts in Early Childhood/Early Childhood Special Education
05-14-2026 @ 3:52 p.m.
Trustee Brad Bonner moved the Board approve the Request for Authorization for the Bachelor of Arts in Early Childhood Education/Early Childhood Special Education. Trustee David Fall seconded the motion. The motion carried. Trustee Paul Ulrich was absent from the meeting.

Request for Authorization: Ph.D. in Health Sciences
05-14-2026 @ 3:53 p.m.
Trustee Brad Bonner moved the Board approve the Request for Authorization for the Ph.D. in Health Sciences. Trustee Tom Walters seconded the motion. The motion carried. Trustee Paul Ulrich was absent from the meeting.

Request for Authorization: Graduate Master of Physician Associate Studies
05-14-2026 @ 3:55 p.m.
Trustee Brad Bonner moved the Board approve the Request for Authorization for the Graduate Master of Physician Associate Studies. Trustee Tom Walters seconded the motion. The motion carried. Trustee Paul Ulrich was absent from the meeting.

Request for Authorization: Graduate Certificate in Criminal Justice
05-14-2026 @ 3:56 p.m.
Trustee Brad Bonner moved the Board approve the Request for Authorization for the Graduate Certificate in Criminal Justice. Trustee David Fall seconded the motion. The motion carried. Trustee Paul Ulrich was absent from the meeting.

Request for Authorization: Graduate Certificate in Nonprofit Leadership
05-14-2026 @ 3:56 p.m.
Trustee Brad Bonner moved the Board approve the Request for Authorization for the Graduate Certificate in Nonprofit Leadership. Trustee Tom Walters seconded the motion. The motion carried. Trustee Paul Ulrich was absent from the meeting.

Posthumous Degree Recommendation
05-14-2026 @ 3:57 p.m.
Trustee Brad Bonner moved the Board approve the posthumous degree award from the University of Wyoming as discussed in executive session. Trustee Jim Mathis seconded the motion. The motion carried. Trustee Paul Ulrich was absent from the meeting.

AGENDA ITEM TITLE: Biennium Budget Committee – Laura Schmid-Pizzato (Chairman)
Trustee Laura Schmid-Pizzato reported the committee met on May 11-12, 2026, for the annual budget hearings, and stated the committee will meet in early June via video conference to continue discussion of the university's operating budget to be approved during the Board's June 2026 meeting. Trustee Schmid-Pizzato explained the committee discussed salary distribution, with recommended action taking place on Friday, May 15, 2026. Trustee Schmid-Pizzato recommended the following action:

UW Board of Trustees Organization Operating Budget for FY 2027
05-14-2026 @ 4:01 p.m.
Trustee Laura Schmid-Pizzato moved the Board authorize that Internal Audit is not subject to the 2% budget reduction in FY2027. Trustee Tom Walters seconded the motion. The motion carried. Trustee Paul Ulrich was absent from the meeting.

Foundation quarterly report on matching funds
05-14-2026 @ 4:02 p.m.
Trustee Laura Schmid-Pizzato moved the Board authorize administration to transfer one thousand, three hundred dollars ($1,300.00) of the previously committed funds from the special projects reserve to satisfy the matching obligation of funds raised by the Foundation. Trustee Carol Linton seconded the motion. The motion carried. Trustee Paul Ulrich was absent from the meeting.

Online PharmD Proposal
05-14-2026 @ 4:02 p.m.
Trustee Laura Schmid-Pizzato moved the Board authorize the College of Health Sciences and School of Pharmacy to establish an online PharmD track that will operate in parallel with the existing residential PharmD program, and to initiate a request for proposals to possibly use an online program management partner. Any contract with an online management partner will be presented to the board for review and approval. Trustee Carol Linton seconded the motion. The motion carried. Trustee Paul Ulrich was absent from the meeting. Trustee Jim Mathis voted no.

Physician Associate Studies Program
05-14-2026 @ 4:03 p.m.
Trustee Laura Schmid-Pizzato moved the Board authorize the College of Health Sciences to proceed with the Physician Associate Studies Program as discussed in the Biennium Budget Committee meeting and presented in the May 2026 Biennium Budget Committee materials. Trustee Carol Linton seconded the motion. The motion carried. Trustee Paul Ulrich was absent from the meeting.

Sublette County 4H Educator
05-14-2026 @ 4:04 p.m.
Trustee Laura Schmid-Pizzato moved the Board direct administration and the College of Agriculture (CALSNR) to increase the annual salary of the 4-H educator position in Sublette County, Wyoming, by the same amount as approved by the Sublette County Commission, up to a maximum of $10,000 by the University of Wyoming ($20,000 total between UW and the County). The raise requires a dollar-for-dollar match by Sublette County. In addition, the other extension educators in Sublette County, Wyoming will receive an annual raise in the percentage amount equal to the same percentage salary increase provided to the 4-H educator by the University of Wyoming's contribution. These raises shall be effective July 1, 2026. Trustee Carol Linton seconded the motion. The motion carried. Trustee Paul Ulrich was absent from the meeting.

Trustee John McKinley discussed the 4-H educator salary is split between the university and is a50% match by Sublette County. Trustee McKinley concurred with Trustee Mike Greear the 4-H educator positions not consistently funded across the state and recommended a policy to standardize salary be considered.

AGENDA ITEM TITLE: <u>Facilities Contracting Committee</u> – Carol Linton (Chairman)
Trustee Carol Linton recommended the following action:

Wyoming Public Radio – Tower Hill Communications Building, Two Way Radio Services, Inc. Douglas, WY – Lease Renewal
05-14-2026 @ 4:12 p.m.
Trustee Carol Linton moved the Board authorize administration to sign the Amendment No. 1 to the Tower Lease Agreement between Two Way Radio Services, Inc. and University of Wyoming for the Wyoming Public Radio 25 Tower Road site near Douglas, Wyoming for a 5-year term. Trustee Jim Mathis seconded the motion. The motion carried. Trustee Paul Ulrich was absent from the meeting.

Wyoming Public Radio – KUWR (Pilot Hill) Education Media Foundation – Lease Renewal
05-14-2026 @ 4:13 p.m.
Trustee Carol Linton moved the Board authorize administration to sign the Amendment No. 2 to the Radio Transmission Site Lease Agreement Between the Trustees of the University of Wyoming and Educational Media Foundation at the Pilot Hill tower site, near Laramie, Wyoming for a 5-year term. Trustee Jim Mathis seconded the motion. The motion carried. Trustee Paul Ulrich was absent from the meeting.

Alpha Phi Sorority – Lease Renewal
05-14-2026 @ 4:14 p.m.
Trustee Carol Linton moved the Board authorize administration to sign the Lease Agreement Between Trustees of the University of Wyoming and Alpha Phi Sorority for the house located on the corner of Fraternity Row and 15th street previously referred to as the Honors House. Trustee Jim Mathis seconded the motion. The motion carried. Trustee Paul Ulrich was absent from the meeting.

Deconstruction of White Hall and Downey Hall
05-14-2026 @ 4:15 p.m.
Trustee Carol Linton moved the Board authorize administration to proceed with deconstruction documents and advertising for the White Hall and Downey Hall deconstruction project to be funded via FY2027-28 Major Maintenance. Trustee Jim Mathis seconded the motion. The motion carried. Trustee Paul Ulrich was absent from the meeting.

Deconstruction of Superintendent Residence at Powell and Storage Shed at Lingle
05-14-2026 @ 4:17 p.m.
Trustee Carol Linton moved the Board authorize administration to proceed with deconstruction documents and advertising for the deconstruction project of the Superintendent Residence at Powell and the Storage Shed at Lingle to be funded via the 2022 State Appropriation for Research and Extension Center upgrades, in an amount not-to-exceed Seventy-Five Thousand Dollars ($75,000). Trustee Jim Mathis seconded the motion. The motion carried. Trustee Paul Ulrich was absent from the meeting.

Major Maintenance FY2027 to 2028 – Project Approval
05-14-2026 @ 4:18 p.m.
Trustee Carol Linton moved the Board authorize administration to proceed with design and construction, and execute needed contracts, in amounts and in order of priorities, subject to urgency and emergencies which will be reported to the Facilities Contracting Committee at its next meeting, to accomplish the needed major upgrades per the submitted Major Maintenance FY27-28 plan, as shown within the chart located in the handout provided at the Facilities Contracting Committee Meeting, consisting of 3 pages, with items on pages 1 and 2. Trustee Jim Mathis seconded the motion. The motion carried. Trustee Paul Ulrich was absent from the meeting.

Change Order – GE Johnson
05-14-2026 @ 4:19 p.m.
Trustee Carol Linton moved the Board authorize administration to proceed with a change order to GE Johnson Construction Wyoming for the Corbett in-fill work for an amount not-to-exceed One million, one hundred thousand dollars ($1,100,000) and proceed with construction, with funding to come from the UW Aquatics Center contingency. Trustee Brad LaCroix seconded the motion. The motion carried. Trustee Paul Ulrich was absent from the meeting.

West Stadium Renovation Design Amendment
05-14-2026 @ 4:20 p.m.
Trustee Carol Linton moved the Board authorize administration to execute a design amendment to the Architect Agreement for the West Stadium Renovation project funded via the project's design contingency in the total amount of Forty-One Thousand One Hundred Thirty dollars ($41,130.00). Trustee Brad LaCroix seconded the motion. The motion carried. Trustee Paul Ulrich was absent from the meeting.

AGENDA ITEM TITLE: Fiscal and Legal Affairs Committee – Mike Greear (Chairman)
Fiscal and Legal Affairs Committee Chairman Mike Greear was absent on Wednesday, May 13, 2026. Trustee Bonner stood in as chairman and reported the committee received two annual items: Internal Audit Plan for FY2027, and the Internal Audit Charter. Trustee Bonner stated the committee also received a risk assessment update, as well as an update on the university's investment strategy. Trustee Bonner recommended the following action:

Internal Audit Plan FY 2027
05-14-2026 @ 4:24 p.m.
Trustee Brad Bonner moved the Board approve the Fiscal Year 2027 University of Wyoming Internal Audit Plan as presented on pages 14-15 of the May 2026 Fiscal and Legal Affairs Committee materials. Trustee Brad LaCroix seconded the motion. The motion carried. Trustee Paul Ulrich was absent from the meeting.

Internal Audit Charter
05-14-2026 @ 4:25 p.m.
Trustee Brad Bonner moved the Board approve the University of Wyoming Internal Audit Charter with edits as reflected in the updated language on pages 19-24 addressing legal, regulatory, and safety requirements for required access. Trustee Tom Walters seconded the motion. The motion carried. Trustee Paul Ulrich was absent from the meeting.

AGENDA ITEM TITLE Legislative Relations Committee – John McKinley (Chairman)
Trustee John McKinley reported the Legislative Relations Committee will meet via video conference in late July to discuss strategy as it relates to the university's supplemental budget request to Wyoming Governor Mark Gordon which will be reported to the Board during its July 2026 meeting. Trustee McKinley further discussed the 2026 Budget Footnote Working Group and the organizational meeting to take place early June 2026, with the expectation that a preliminary report will be presented to the Board during its July 2026 meeting.

AGENDA ITEM TITLE: Research and Economic Development Committee – David Fall (Chairman)
Trustee David Fall reported the committee received Senior Design Projects by James Willis, BS Computer Engineering, *Project Dandelion: Multipoint Portable Audio Entertainment System*; Hailey Litzinger, BS Electrical Engineering, *Classroom Cultivator*; and Amber Budge, BS Electrical Engineering, *Augmented Communication Device.* Trustee Fall reported the committee received an update related to the coordination of a statewide internship program.

The meeting recessed at 4:35 p.m.

Business Meeting
Marian H. Rochelle Gateway Center
Friday, May 15, 2026

Roll Call
At 9:01 a.m. Friday, May 15, 2026, Executive Director and Deputy Secretary RoseMarie London called roll.

Trustees present: Kermit Brown; David Fall; Mike Greear; Brad LaCroix; Carol Linton (Secretary); Jim Mathis; John McKinley; Laura Schmid-Pizzato (Vice Chairman); Michelle Sullivan (Chairman); Tom Walters. Trustees Brad Bonner and Paul Ulrich were absent.

Ex-officio Trustees present: University President Ed Seidel; ASUW President Sam Kaiser; and Wyoming Community College Commission Executive Director Laurel Ballard. Governor Mark Gordon; and State Superintendent for Public Instruction Megan Degenfelder were absent. Chief of Staff Dicky Shanor attended on Superintendent Degenfelder's behalf.

AGENDA ITEM TITLE: Recognitions/Resolutions – Sullivan

Resolution -- University President Ed Seidel
05-15-2026 @ 9:03 a.m.
Trustee Laura Schmid-Pizzato moved the Board adopt the following resolution: Whereas, Edward Seidel has served with distinction for the benefit of students, faculty, staff, and the wider University of Wyoming community during his term from July 2020 to July 2026 as President 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 Edward Seidel's service and contributions to the University of Wyoming be unanimously adopted. Thank you, Edward Seidel, for your exemplary leadership and service. Trustee Brad LaCroix seconded the motion. The motion carried. Trustees Brad Bonner and Paul Ulrich were absent from the meeting.

University President Ed Seidel addressed the Board briefly, thanking the trustees for their support in his role as president.

Approval of Meeting Minutes
5-15-2026 @ 9:05 a.m.
Trustee Carol Linton moved the Board approve the public and executive session minutes of the March 23-24, 2026, March 25-27, 2026, April 2, 2026, and April 15, 2026, UW Board of Trustees meeting. Trustee Jim Mathis seconded the motion. The motion carried. Trustees Brad Bonner and Paul Ulrich were absent from the meeting.

AGENDA ITEM TITLE: WWAMI Loan Cancellation Guidance – Fall/Greear/Walters
In September 2025 Board Chairman Kermit Brown directed a committee consisting of Trustees David Fall, Mike Greer, and Tom Walters review the Wyoming Medical Education Program template and determine whether revisions or additional guidance was necessary. The group recommended maintaining the existing contract structure to preserve consistency and avoid repeated revisions that require years to fully implement. Instead of modifying the contract itself, the committee proposed two clarifying policy interpretations: first, that partial years of service would no longer qualify for program credit, requiring a full year of service for eligibility; and second, that practitioners must both provide service in Wyoming and reside in Wyoming to receive credit. The Board has emphasized that the program's core purpose is to strengthen Wyoming's healthcare workforce, particularly in underserved and rural areas facing physician shortages. The committee viewed these recommendations as reinforcing the program's intent to retain physicians within the state while providing clearer administrative guidance to the College of Health Sciences. Trustee Mike Greear recommended the university request additional legislative funding for the WWAMI program.

AGENDA ITEM TITLE: UW Regulation 2-13: President's recommendation to discontinue the M.S. in Entomology, the Ph.D. in Entomology, and the B.S. in Energy Systems Engineering and to consolidate the B.A. in Religious Studies and the B.A. in Philosophy with concentrations in Religious Studies and Philosophy –Seidel/Alexander

Interim Provost Anne Alexander provided the full Board a summary of the discussion before the Academic and Student Affairs Committee which reviewed University Regulation 2-13 process. On May 14, 2026, the Board approved the recommendations to discontinue the M.S. in Entomology, the Ph.D. in Entomology, and the B.S. in Energy Systems Engineering, and the recommendation to consolidate the B.A. in Religious Studies with the B.A. in Philosophy, with well-defined concentrations in Philosophy and Religious Studies.

The Provost and the Office of Academic Affairs continue to review academic enrollment trends, low-producing programs, and low-enrolled courses through a data-informed process focused on policy, strategic planning, program value, delivery, and long-term viability. In June 2025, the Provost initiated the annual review of low-producing programs, with the Office of Institutional Analysis identifying 21 programs for evaluation. Following recommendations from the deans, the Provost submitted final recommendations to the President on February 16, 2026, including discontinuation of three programs and consolidation of one program under UW Regulation 2-13. The President approved the recommendations on February 24, 2026, and Faculty Senate was notified the same day. Academic Affairs subsequently conducted a survey of affected departments, with responses received through April 17, 2026. More information can be found in the May 2026 Academic and Student Affairs Committee packet.

AGENDA ITEM TITLE: Trustees Conflict of Interest Annual Filing – Sullivan/Evans
Vice President and General Counsel Tara Evans provided the Board a review of the conflict of interest policy.

AGENDA ITEM TITLE: *Biennium Budget Committee* – Laura Schmid-Pizzato (Chairman)
Trustee Laura Schmid-Pizzato discussed administration's recommendations to the Biennium Budget Committee regarding the salary allocation plan for staff as follows:

Staff Allocation:

1. Pool A. Distribute $1,400 annual base salary increase to benefited employees with base salary as of April 2026 payroll up to $200,000. (Modeled using current employee salaries and source of funding this allocation requires a little over $2,300,000 with benefits of State General Funds) After the Pool A raises have been distributed, Human Resources will review all positions, to identify if all positions meet the minimum rate of pay for the pay grade for each respective job title. If positions are below the minimum rate for the pay grade an adjustment will be made to bring the position up to the minimum. Modeled using current employee salaries and source of funding this allocation requires a little over $1,000,000 with benefits of State General Funds)
2. Pool B. The remaining staff salary pool of approximately $3,600,000, "Pool B," will be discretionary and will be used to address market informed merit and compression issues as needed. Funds will be distributed at the organization level based on each organization's percent of total payroll for employee base pay.
3. Distribution of funds will be at the discretion of the Vice President/Director. Discretionary plans must be reviewed and approved by the Provost for academic colleges and the appropriate Vice President for non-academic divisions. All staff raise plans will be reviewed by the Associate Vice President for Human Resources.

Salary Allocation Plan (Staff)
05-15-2026 @ 10:08 a.m.
Trustee Laura Schmid-Pizzato moved the Board bifurcate the salary allocation plan and approve the salary allocation plan for staff as outlined on page 97 of the Biennium Budget Committee materials, with the condition that all staff are covered in a comparable raise percentage for those staff who are not included in this state-funded pool of money. Trustee Carol Linton seconded the motion. The motion carried. Trustees Brad Bonner and Paul Ulrich were absent from the meeting.

Trustee Laura Schmid-Pizzato addressed faculty distribution, and recommended the following:

1. Pool A. Up to $1,000,000 will be allocated on a college-by-college basis to address tenure track faculty positions that are below 65% of market as compared to OSU R1 data by CIP code.
2. Pool B. All Faculty with an active contract for the Fall 2026 semester will receive a $1,400 increase to base pay. (Modeled using current active faculty requires around $1,500,000 with benefits)
3. Pool C. The remaining funds, to be calculated after pool A and B are distributed by academic department based on each department's percent share of the overall payroll for faculty. This pool of funds is discretionary and should be used to address market informed increases on a percentage basis.

Plans for faculty must be reviewed and approved by the Provost and AVP for Human Resources.

Salary Allocation Plan (Faculty)
05-15-2026 9:41 a.m.
Trustee Laura Schmid-Pizzato moved to authorize administration to use the proposed allocation methodology in option 2 for faculty as outlined in the updated materials provided on 5/15/2026 for FY2027 compensation increases, with the condition that all faculty are covered in a comparable raise percentage for those faculty who are not included in this state-funded pool of money. Trustee Brad LaCroix seconded the motion. The motion was amended to include that funds will not be distributed to unfilled or vacant positions. The amendment was seconded by Trustee Tom Walters. The motion as amended carried. Trustees Brad Bonner and Paul Ulrich were absent from the meeting.

In response to inquiry from Trustee Mike Greear, Trustee John McKinley stated and Interim Provost Anne Alexander concurred the funds will be available for a hire but will not sit in the dean's budget.

Reports
ASUW – President Sam Kaiser
Incoming ASUW President Sam Kaiser reported that ASUW is financially strong and well positioned for the future. Recent presentations to the Biennium Budget Committee focused on responsible management of student fee allocations while maintaining affordability. Priorities include Disability Support Services renovations, special student projects, and long-term fiscal stewardship. Kaiser recognized outgoing ASUW President Paula Medina and the 113th administration for their accomplishments. Updates were also provided on the Leadership and Student Success Opportunities (LASSO) project, which would subsidize internships with Wyoming businesses. ASUW supports launching the program by the fall semester as a workforce development initiative. Additional priorities include improving student voting access and civic engagement, hiring a new executive team, expanding funding opportunities for student organizations, and supporting resolutions related to artificial intelligence and digital literacy. ASUW also plans to support 19 incarcerated University of Wyoming students enrolled in the "Pathways from Prison" program at the men's correctional facility in Torrington, Wyoming, who are pursuing bachelor's degrees in general studies. In response to inquiry from Trustee Carol Linton, Kaiser agreed that future student surveys should consider broader experiential learning opportunities, including undergraduate research and

study abroad. The current survey focused on internships because of ASUW funding commitments. In response to inquiry from Trustee David Fall, Kaiser explained that the parking ticket relief program assists students facing financial hardship by allowing volunteer service through the university's Safe Ride program in exchange for forgiveness of parking fines.

Staff Senate – President Gwen Dailey
Staff Senate President Gwen Dailey reported that she is working with the Office of the President and the Office of the Provost to provide grants supporting staff professional development opportunities. Dailey discussed collaboration with Jeff Hamerlink, Director of the Wyoming Geographic Information Science Center, and Amy McLaughlin, Vice President for Information Technology, regarding the use of artificial intelligence in staff operations. Dailey stated she will continue serving as Staff Senate President as her initial appointment was to fill an unexpired term.

Faculty Senate – Chairman Rob Godby
Chairman Rob Godby was not in attendance and provided a written report.

Wyoming Community College Commission – Executive Director Laurel Ballard
Wyoming Community College Commission (WCCC) Executive Director Laurel Ballard reported that the Joint Education Committee has selected dual enrollment as an interim topic for discussion. Ballard reported the state recently approved $20 million through the school finance recalibration bill to help school districts cover dual enrollment costs. Ballard noted new legislation prohibits school districts, community colleges, and the university from limiting the number of dual enrollment courses students may take; previously, institutions were required to provide only up to 12 credits. Ballard noted that guidance is necessary to ensure students take courses aligned with degree requirements rather than accumulating excess elective credits that may not reduce time to graduation. Ballard discussed legislation that has impacted Board of Cooperative Education Services (BOCES), and legislator continued interest in expanding and strengthening Career and Technical Education (CTE) programs. Ballard discussed collaboration with the Wyoming Innovation Partnership (WIP), which is transitioning from the Governor's Office to the Wyoming Business Alliance. Ballard discussed the ongoing funding challenges facing Wyoming Community Colleges as a result of legislative reductions in property tax revenues, and reported the WCCC is evaluating the viability of its current funding allocation model. Ballard reported the WCCC will meet on June 4–5, 2026.

Liaison to Other Boards *[Written reports were provided to the Board in advance.]*
- Fraternity and Sorority Life – Tom Walters
- Internship Working Group – Mike Greear
- UW Alumni Association Board – Laura Schmid-Pizzato
- Foundation Board – Brad Bonner & David Fall
- Haub School of Environment & Natural Resources – Michelle Sullivan
- Energy Resources Council – Paul Ulrich
- Cowboy Joe – John McKinley

Public Comment *[Scheduled for Thursday, May 14, 2026]*
No public comment was received during the May 2026 Board meeting.

Committee of the Whole
Regular Business

Trustee Committees - *[Note: Committees of the Board will provide reports during the regular work sessions and provided further update during the Business Meeting.]*

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

- Contracts and Procurement Report (per UW Regulation 7-2) – Evans
- Capital Construction Report – Mai
- Foundation Monthly Giving Report – Stark
- Faculty Senate Resolutions – Godby
    - 503 Proposed Annual Housekeeping Revisions to UW Regulations 6-1, 6-7, 6-8, and 6-10
    - 509 Second Review SAP 2-122.2 Academic Program Review
    - 510 SAP 2-7.2 Reconsiderations of Procedures for Conducting Reappointment, tenure and Promotion Review for Tenure-stream Faculty
    - 511 Bachelor of Arts in Early Childhood Education
    - 512 Certificate in Constructive Dialogue
    - 519 Request for Formal Policy on Internal Appointments for Senior Administrators and University Officers
    - 520 Considerations Regarding Appropriate Raise Pool Policy Principles for Inflation and Market Adjustment
- Notice: Modifications to Trustees' Annual Schedule of Items to Approve, Discuss, or Report (approval in June 2026) – Sullivan

Other Action Taken during the Meeting

Sponsorship Agreement between the Bills Stadium and Events Company, LLC, Buffalo Bills, LLC, and the University of Wyoming
05-14-2026 @ 1:33 p.m.
Trustee Laura Schmid-Pizzato moved the Board authorize administration to execute the Sponsorship Agreement between the Bills Stadium and Events Company, LLC, Buffalo Bills, LLC, and the University of Wyoming. Trustee Carol Linton seconded the motion. The motion was amended to state that the funding source shall be determined by the University President. The motion carried as amended. Trustee Paul Ulrich was absent from the meeting. Trustee Brad LaCroix voted no.

ASUW President Kaiser stated student polled overwhelmingly disapproved of the use of funds, further stating funds are better spent on faculty and staff retention.

Academic Personnel Report
05-15-2026 @ 9:56 a.m.
Per UW Regulation 2-1, the granting of tenure, promotions, five-year fixed terms with rolling contracts, and appointments are within the discretion of the Trustees upon the recommendation of the President. Trustee Tom Walters moved the Board approve the academic personnel report as presented. Trustee Jim Mathis seconded the motion. The motion carried. Trustees Brad Bonner and Paul Ulrich were absent from the meeting.

Appointment of the School of Computing Dean
05-15-2026 @ 9:57 a.m.
Administrative Officers are appointed by the Trustees upon recommendation of the President following consultation with the appropriate University Officers and faculty, consistent with UW Regulation 1-1 and UW Regulation 2-8. Trustee Tom Walters moved the Board authorize administration to negotiate with the top candidate for the Dean of the School of Computing within the pay-range and contract terms discussed in executive session. Final appointment of the candidate will be submitted to the Board at an upcoming meeting. Trustee Carol Linton seconded the motion. The motion carried. Trustees Brad Bonner and Paul Ulrich were absent from the meeting.

Appointment of the UW at Casper College Dean
05-15-2026 @ 9:58 a.m.
Administrative Officers are appointed by the Trustees upon recommendation of the President following consultation with the appropriate University Officers and faculty, consistent with UW Regulation 1-1 and UW Regulation 2-8. Trustee Tom Walters moved the Board authorize administration to negotiate with the top candidate for Dean of UW Casper or the other candidates, if applicable, should negotiations with the top candidate be unsuccessful within the pay-range and contract terms discussed in executive session. Final appointment and recommendation of the candidate will be submitted to the Board at an upcoming meeting. Trustee Jim Mathis seconded the motion. The motion carried. Trustees Brad Bonner and Paul Ulrich were absent from the meeting.

WWAMI Appeal
05-15-2026 @ 9:59 a.m.
Trustee David Fall moved the Board deny the WWAMI loan repayment modification request as presented in executive session. Trustee Jim Mathis seconded the motion. The motion carried. Trustees Brad Bonner and Paul Ulrich were absent from the meeting.

WWAMI Loan Cancellation Guidance
05-15-2026 @ 10:00 a.m.
Trustee David Fall moved the Board direct administration to implement the following requirements regarding requests for loan cancellation pursuant to Wyoming Statute 21-17-109 and Article V Section (b) of the Wyoming Medical Education Contract template:

1) Partial year service will not satisfy any of the Article V(b) loan cancellation criteria; all criteria must be evaluated for annual periods of practice only. For example, service for seven (7) months of the year would not receive any credit for that period of service.
2) To be considered for loan cancellation under Article V(b)(i) and (ii), the practitioner must not only provide services in Wyoming but must also reside in Wyoming.

Trustee Carol Linton seconded the motion. The motion carried. Trustees Brad Bonner and Paul Ulrich were absent from the meeting.

Oracle Technical Services Renewal Order Form (Database Enterprise), Oracle Technical Services Renewal Order Form (Fusion), Oracle Technical Services Renewal Order Form (Address Verification), and Oracle Technical Services Renewal Order Form (Oracle Cloud Infrastructure)
05-15-2026 @ 10:01 a.m.
Trustee Laura Schmid-Pizzato moved the Board authorize administration to execute the Oracle Technical Services Renewal Order Forms for Database Enterprise, Fusion, Address Verification, and Oracle Cloud Infrastructure before this Board. Trustee Carol Lintons seconded the motion. The motion carried. Trustees Brad Bonner and Paul Ulrich were absent from the meeting.

Education Advisory Board (EAB) Program Order Form
05-15-2026 @ 10:01 a.m.
Trustee David Fall moved the Board authorize administration to execute the EAB Program Order Form. Trustee Jim Mathis seconded the motion. The motion carried. Trustees Brad Bonner and Paul Ulrich were absent from the meeting.

Memorandum of Understanding between the University of Wyoming and Johnson County Healthcare Center, Buffalo, Wyoming to establish a Rural Training Program Residency
05-15-2026 @ 10:02 a.m.
Trustee David Fall moved the Board authorize administration to executive the Memorandum of Understanding between the University of Wyoming and Johnson County Healthcare Center, a Wyoming nonprofit critical access hospital. Trustee Brad LaCroix seconded the motion. The motion carried. Trustees Brad Bonner and Paul Ulrich were absent from the meeting.

Appendix A to the Cooperation Agreement of Joint Program in Kinesiology at Undergraduate Level Between Shanghai University of Sport and University of Wyoming, the United States
05-15-2026 @ 10:03 a.m.
Trustee David Fall moved the Board authorize administration to execute Appendix A to the Cooperation Agreement of Joint Program in Kinesiology at Undergraduate Level Between Shanghai University of Sport and University of Wyoming. Trustee Carol Linton seconded the motion. The motion carried. Trustees Brad Bonner and Paul Ulrich were absent from the meeting.

Housekeeping Modifications to UW Regulations 6-1, 6-7, 6-8, and 6-10
05-15-2026 @ 10:05 a.m.
Trustee Carol Linton moved the Board authorize modifications to UW Regulation 6-1, 6-7, 6-8, and 6-10 to comply with the July 2023 Internal Audit. Trustee Brad LaCroix seconded the motion. The motion carried. Trustees Brad Bonner and Paul Ulrich were absent from the meeting.

Execution of Bond pursuant to W.S. § 21-17-203
05-15-2026 @ 10:06 a.m.
Trustee Laura Schmid-Pizzato moved the Board approve the Vice President for Budget and Finance to continue to execute a $1,000,000.00 bond to fulfill the requirement of Wyoming Statute 21-17-203. Trustee Carol Linton seconded the motion. The motion carried. Trustees Brad Bonner and Paul Ulrich were absent from the meeting.

Designate Depositories for UW Funds
05-15-2026 @ 10:06 a.m.
Trustee Laura Schmid-Pizzato moved the Board approve the depositories of UW funds as presented in the May 2026 Board Report except for Platte Valley Bank, Hilltop Bank, and Glacier Bank. Trustee Brad LaCroix seconded the motion. The motion carried. Trustees Brad Bonner and Paul Ulrich were absent from the meeting.

Trustee Laura Schmid-Pizzato moved the Board approve Platte Valley Bank as a designated depository for UW Funds. Trustee Tom Walters seconded the motion. The motion carried. Trustees Brad Bonner and Paul Ulrich were absent from the meeting. Trustee Jim Mathis abstained.

Trustee Schmid-Pizzato moved the Board approve Hilltop Bank as a designated depository for UW Funds. Trustee Tom Walters seconded the motion. The motion carried. Trustees Brad Bonner and Paul Ulrich were absent from the meeting. Trustee John McKinley abstained.

Trustee Laura Schmid-Pizzato moved the Board approve Glacier Bank as a designated depository for UW Funds. Trustee Tom Walters seconded the motion. The motion carried. Trustees Brad Bonner and Paul Ulrich were absent from the meeting. Trustee Carol Linton abstained.

Wright v. UW
05-15-2026 @ 10:08 a.m.
Trustee Laura Schmid-Pizzato moved the Board authorize outside counsel and general counsel to respond to plaintiff's counsel on the Wright v. UW lawsuit as discussed in executive session. Trustee Jim Mathis seconded the motion. The motion carried. Trustees Brad Bonner and Paul Ulrich were absent from the meeting.

Date of Next Meeting: June 17, 2026 (conference call)

The meeting adjourned at 10:10 a.m.

Executive Session I
Thursday, May 14, 2026
Marian H. Rochelle Gateway Center

On Thursday, May 14, 2026, at 8:33 a.m. the Board entered 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)); and
3. On matters concerning litigation to which the governing body is a party or proposed litigation to which the governing body may be a party (16-4-405(a)(iii))

The session was attended by:
- Trustees: Kermit Brown; Brad Bonner (Treasurer) (via video conference); David Fall; Mike Geear; Brad LaCroix; Carol Linton (Secretary); Jim Mathis; John McKinley; Laura Schmid-Pizzato (Vice Chairman); Michelle Sullivan (Chairman); and Tom Walters. Trustee Paul Ulrich was absent.
- Ex-officio members: ASUW President Sam Kaiser. University President Ed Seidel; Governor Mark Gordon; State Superintendent for Public Instruction Megan Degenfelder; and Wyoming Community College Commission Executive Director Laurel Ballard were absent. Deputy Policy Director Lachelle Brant attended on behalf of Governor Gordon; and Chief of Staff Dicky Shanor attended on behalf of Superintendent Degenfelder.
- Interim Provost Anne Alexander
- Vice President and General Counsel Tara Evans
- Vice President for Budget and Finance Alex Kean
- Executive Director and Deputy Secretary RoseMarie London
- Director of Academic Technology Services Margarita Rovani
- Vice President for Government Affairs and Community Engagement Mike Smith
- Deputy General Counsel Paula Whaley

The following attended during their respective topics:
- Vice Provost for Faculty Affairs Dave Bagley
- Associate Vice President for Institutional Marketing Chad Baldwin
- Outside Counsel Kay Lynn Bestol
- College of Health Sciences Dean Patrick Hardigan
- Vice Provost for Global Engagement Isa Helfgott
- College of Health Sciences Associate Dean Derek Smith

Executive Session II
Friday, May 15, 2026
Marian H. Rochelle Gateway Center

On Friday, May 15, 2026, at 8:02 a.m. the Board entered Executive Session to discuss

1. 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: Kermit Brown; Brad Bonner (Treasurer) (via video conference); David Fall; Mike Geear; Brad LaCroix; Carol Linton (Secretary); Jim Mathis; John McKinley; Laura Schmid-Pizzato (Vice Chairman); Michelle Sullivan (Chairman); and Tom Walters. Trustee Paul Ulrich was absent.
- Ex-officio members UW President Ed Seidel, ASUW President Sam Kaiser, and Wyoming Community College Commission Executive Director Laurel Ballard. Governor Mark Gordon and State Superintendent for Public Instruction Megan Degenfelder were absent. Chief of Staff Dicky Shanor attended on Superintendent Degenfelder's behalf.
- Interim Provost Anne Alexander
- Vice President and General Counsel Tara Evans
- Vice President for Budget and Finance Alex Kean
- Executive Director and Deputy Secretary RoseMarie London
- Director of Academic Technology Services Margarita Rovani
- Vice President for Government Affairs and Community Engagement Mike Smith

The following attended during their respective topics:

- Outside Counsel Kay Lynn Bestol
- Chief Risk Officer Laura Betzold

Respectfully submitted,

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Executive Director and Deputy Secretary, UW Board of Trustees