

STATE BOARD OF REGENTS MEETING  
WEBER STATE UNIVERSITY, OGDEN, UTAH  
SHEPHERD UNION BUILDING  
FRIDAY, MAY 16, 2014

COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE  
MINUTES

Regents Present

Bonnie Jean Beesley, Chair  
Daniel W. Campbell, Vice Chair  
Jessellie B. Anderson  
Nina R. Barnes  
Keith M. Buswell  
Leslie Brooks Castle  
Wilford W. Clyde  
France A. Davis  
Marlin K. Jensen  
Robert S. Marquardt  
Erik Mikkelsen  
Robert W. Prince  
Mark R. Stoddard  
Teresa L. Theurer  
Joyce P. Valdez  
John H. Zenger

Regents Excused

James T. Evans  
Jed H. Pitcher  
Harris H. Simmons

Office of the Commissioner

David L. Buhler, Commissioner of Higher Education  
Elizabeth Hitch, Associate Commissioner for Academic and Student Affairs  
Gregory L. Stauffer, Associate Commissioner for Finance and Facilities  
David A. Feitz, Associate Commissioner and Executive Director, UHEAA

Institutional Presidents

Ruth V. Watkins, Senior Vice President for Academic Affairs, University of Utah  
Stan L. Albrecht, Utah State University  
Charles A. Wight, Weber State University  
Scott L. Wyatt, Southern Utah University  
Gary L. Carlston, Snow College  
Stephen D. Nadauld, Dixie State University  
Matthew Holland, Utah Valley University  
Deneece Huftalin, Salt Lake Community College

Other Commissioner's Office and institutional personnel were also present. The signed role is on file in the Commissioner's Office.

The Board of Regents began the day at 7:30 a.m. with a breakfast meeting; they were joined by the Weber State University Board of Trustees. The Regents then met in committees until 10:30 a.m.

**The Committee of the Whole was called to order at 10:35 a.m.**

Chair Beesley excused Regents Simmons, Pitcher, and Evans and turned the time to Governor Herbert.

Governor Gary Herbert

Governor Gary R. Herbert addressed the Board of Regents, Commissioner, and the Utah System of Higher Education Presidents. He thanked them all for their work for the State of Utah, and specifically thanked Regent Chair Bonnie Jean Beesley, Regent Erik Mikkelsen, and Dixie State University President Stephen Nadauld for their contributions to higher education, as each of them prepare to leave their current positions. He spoke to the Utah System of Higher Education report "Building Utah's Future through Higher Education" and pointed out the numerous economic benefits of a higher education. He also gave the accolade that Utah is the envy of other states because of the state support for education and the economy.

Chair Beesley and Commissioner Buhler thanked Governor Herbert for his support to the Utah System of Higher Education.

General Consent Calendar (TAB HH)

**On a motion by Regent Stoddard, and seconded by Regent Marquardt, the following items were approved on the Regents' General Consent Calendar:**

- A. Minutes – Minutes of the Board meeting March 28, 2014, Dixie State University, St. George, Utah.
- B. Grant Proposals
- C. Awards
- D. Academic Items Received and Approved
- E. Executive Committee Items Approved

Reports of Board Committees

Academic and Student Affairs Committee

Revision of Policy R165, Concurrent Enrollment (TAB A)

Regent Davis reported the revisions of Policy R165 are primarily related to legislative and language updates. **It was moved by Regent Davis and seconded by Regent Prince to approve the revision of Policy R165. The motion carried.**

Revision of Policy R470, General Education, Common Course Numbering, Lower-Division Pre-Major Requirements, Transfer of Credits, and Credit by Examination (TAB B)

Regent Davis reported the changes of policy R470 are extensive; however, the changes allow the opportunity to strengthen the Board of Regents' relationship with K-12 partners. **It was moved by Regent Davis and seconded by Regent Zenger to approve the revisions to R470. The motion carried.**

Salt Lake Community College – Associate of Applied Science Degree in Collision, Maintenance, and Light Repair (TAB C)

**Regent Davis reported on this new degree and moved its approval; it was seconded by Regent Valdez. The motion carried.**

Salt Lake Community College – Associate of Applied Science in Health Information Technology (TAB D)

**Regent Davis reported on this new degree and moved its approval; it was seconded by Regent Prince. The motion carried.**

StepUP Ready Grants (TAB E)

Regent Davis reported the state legislature appropriated ongoing funds, replacing federal funds, that will sunset FY15 to support a number of college ready initiatives created under the College Access Challenge Grant Program. The goal of the StepUp Ready Grants is to increase the number of Utah's public high school students who graduate college-ready and enroll in a post-secondary institution. **It was moved by Regent Davis and seconded by Regent Mikkelsen to approve the use of \$600,000 for StepUp Ready Grants as described in Tab E. The motion carried.**

Report: The Multi-State Collaborative to Advance Learning Outcomes Assessment (TAB F)

Regent Davis reported on this information item; no action was taken.

College Access Challenge Grant Annual Report (TAB G)

Regent Davis reported on this information item; no action was taken.

StepUp College Open Houses (TAB H)

Regent Davis reported on this information item; no action was taken.

Utah Scholars Coaches Pilot (TAB I)

Regent Davis reported on this information item; no action was taken.

Finance/Facilities Committee

Regent Marquardt, Chair of Finance and Facilities Committee, began his report by thanking Governor Herbert for his support, adding that it is an honor to serve on the Board of Regents and to personally witness the change in lives that come from obtaining a higher education. He also complimented the Governor for his choice for Education Advisor, Tami Pyfer, who was also in attendance.

USHE – Guidelines for Performance Funding, 2014-15 (TAB J)

Regent Marquardt reported this is the second year the legislature funded performance funding and reported on the five core performance areas, which are nearly identical to those used in 2013. **(See motion below.)**

Capital Development Prioritization (CDP) Cycle – Adoption of Priority Guidelines (TAB K)

Regent Marquardt also reported on this item; the proposed guidelines are unchanged from those used last year. **It was moved by Regent Marquardt and seconded by Regent Clyde to approve the guidelines for Performance Funding as outlined in Tab J and the CDP Priority Guidelines as outlined in Tab K. The motion carried.**

Regent Policy R503, "Soft" to "Hard" Money and Report of Faculty on "Soft" Money (TAB L)

Regent Marquardt reported on each of the policy items before the Board and made one motion for all five. Regent Marquardt reported R503 will be deleted and the current practices and relevant updated language have been added to R501. (See motion below.)

Revision of Policy R510, Tuition and Fees (TAB M)

Regent Marquardt reported the R510 revisions clarify and provide guidance and consistency for institutional reporting. (See motion below.)

Revision of Policy R511, Tuition Disclosure and Consultation (TAB N)

Regent Marquardt reported R511 has been revised to clean up outdated references and to clarify language. (See motion below.)

Revision of Policy R512, Determination of Resident Status (TAB O)

Regent Marquardt reported R512 has been revised to be in compliance with Utah State Code and 2014 HB 45 (*In-state Tuition for Military Servicemembers and Veterans*). He also reported the committee had a lengthy review of the changes to R512 due to the complicated topic and the fact that it has a big impact on so many students. (See motion below.)

Revision of Policy R543, Commercial Banking Services (TAB P)

Regent Marquardt reported briefly on the R543 revisions. It was moved by Regent Marquardt and seconded by Regent Barnes to approve the policy revisions for R503 (R501), R510, R511, R512 and R543 as outlined in Tab L, M, N, O and P. The motion carried.

UHEAA – Authorizing Resolution, SBR Student Loan Revenue Bonds (TAB Q)

Regent Marquardt reported on this item and moved the approval of the Authorizing Resolution approving issuance of the Student Loan Backed Notes, Series 2014-1. The motion was seconded by Regent Anderson, and carried.

University of Utah Request for Exception to R555 – Competition with Private Sector (TAB R)

It was moved by Regent Marquardt and seconded by Regent Clyde to approve the University of Utah's request for an exception to policy R555 allowing them to continue operating satellite retail outlets of the "Utah Red Zones" through December 31, 2017, as well as allowing for limited marketing and advertising efforts. The motion carried.

University of Utah – Bonding Authorization for Construction of the Lassonde Living Learning Center, a Health Sciences Parking Structure, Replacement of Auxiliary Related Utilities Infrastructure, and for Refunding Outstanding Commercial Paper Notes and Revenue Bonds (TAB S)

It was moved by Regent Marquardt and seconded by Regent Barnes to approve the Authorizing Resolution as well as approve authorization to extend issuance of bonds approved by the Board on July 19, 2013 until July 19, 2015. The motion carried.

University of Utah – Outdoor Tennis Court Project Approval (TAB T)

Regent Marquardt reported on this item. (See motion below.)

Utah State University – Acquisition of Property in Moab, Utah (TAB U)  
Regent Marquardt reported on this item. (See motion below.)

Utah State University – Real Property Acquisition in Montezuma Creek, Utah (TAB V)  
Regent Marquardt reported on this item. (See motion below.)

Utah State University – Design Approval for Romney Stadium Renovation (TAB W)  
Regent Marquardt reported on this item and moved the approval of all four property approval requests above. **It was moved by Regent Marquardt and seconded by Regent Clyde to approve the property approval requests as outlined in Tabs T, U, V and W. The motion carried.**

UESP – Line of Credit (TAB X)  
Regent Marquardt reported UESP recently changed cash depository to U.S. Bank and as part of that new contract, UESP needs to have a line of credit authorized with U.S. Bank. **It was moved by Regent Marquardt and seconded by Regent Barnes to approve the credit line request as outlined in Tab X. The motion carried.**

USHE – Refining Degree Allocation Within the 2020 Goal (TAB Y)  
Regent Marquardt reported the Commissioner's Office, in consultation with the Georgetown Center on Education and the Workforce, conducted a study to determine the best mix of industry and education attainment to benefit Utah's economy and provide meaningful wages. **It was moved by Regent Marquardt and seconded by Regent Anderson to approve the modification in the degree distribution of the USHE 2020 educational attainment goal as outlined in Tab Y. The motion carried.**

USHE – Enrollment Forecasts (TAB Z)  
Regent Marquardt reported on this item adding the approval of the enrollment numbers is critical for the Capital Development Prioritization in the coming months. **It was moved by Regent Marquardt and seconded by Regent Barnes to approve the long-term enrollment projections for higher education in the State of Utah. The motion carried.**

Online Costs for Undergraduates (TAB AA)  
Regent Marquardt reported on this information item; no action was taken.

USHE – FY 2015 Capital Improvement Funding Update (TAB BB)  
Regent Marquardt reported on this information item, adding this was a significant improvement in funding over the tough budget years of the past, no action was taken.

USHE – Institutions' Health Plan Changes 2014-15 (TAB CC)  
Regent Marquardt reported on this information item, adding all the plans were held to under a 10 percent increase in cost, with two exceptions. No action was taken.

USHE – Building Utah's Future through Higher Education Report (TAB DD)  
Regent Marquardt reported on this information item, thanking the Governor for his earlier remarks on this report. No action was taken.

USHE – Budget Framework for FY16 (TAB EE)

Regent Marquardt reported on this information item; this item will come back at the July Board of Regents meeting for further discussion. No action was taken.

University of Utah – Health Sciences Center (HSC) Master Plan (TAB FF)

Regent Marquardt reported on this information item; he encouraged the Regents to read the transformational plan adding that it will make a enormous difference in quality and service of health care in the State of Utah. No action was taken.

Salt Lake Community College – Westpointe Center Property Acquisition (TAB GG)

Regent Marquardt reported on the property acquisition which will become the new site for the Career and Technical Education (CTE) and Learning Resource Building that is SLCC's Capital Development project request for FY 2016. No action was taken on this information item.

Chair Beesley highlighted Tabs DD and EE (*USHE – Building Utah's Future through Higher Education Report and USHE – Budget Framework for FY16*) to note their strategic importance for the State of Utah and the Utah System of Higher Education.

Resolution of Appreciation

Erik Mikkelsen

Regent Theurer spoke in support of a resolution of appreciation for Erik Mikkelsen, Student Regent 2012-2014. **It was moved by Regent Theurer and seconded by Regent Barnes to adopt the resolution of appreciation for Erik Mikkelsen.**

Board Elections

Regent Prince reported that Regent Pitcher, Chair of the Nominating Committee, sent his regrets he could not attend the meeting. Regent Prince congratulated Chair Beesley for her service as chair and vice chair. **On behalf of the Nominating Committee, Regent Prince moved the election of Regent Dan Campbell as Chair of the State Board of Regents for a two-year term beginning May 17, 2014, and further moved the nomination of Regent France Davis as the Vice Chair of the Board, for a two year term beginning May 17, 2014. The motion was seconded by Regent Zenger. The motion carried unanimously.**

Chair Beesley advocated the many benefits of higher education including the need for an educated populous to maintain our democratic form of government and society. She congratulated Chair Campbell and Vice Chair Davis on their new chairmanship.

**It was moved by Regent Stoddard and seconded by Regent Davis to meet in Executive Session following lunch. The motion carried.**

Chair Campbell was recognized. He thanked the Regents for their vote of confidence and said he looked forward to working with the Board and Governor. On behalf of the Board of Regents he presented Bonnie Jean Beesley with an engraved gavel and expressed their appreciation.

State of the University

President Wight gave a presentation on the state of Weber State University focusing on Weber's effort to remove the financial barrier to earning a college degree, community partnerships, energy reduction efforts and the imminent ground breaking for the Tracy Hall Science Center. President Wight introduced Abelardo Saucedo, recent Weber State University graduate, who spoke inspirationally about his dream to get an education.

**The Committee of the Whole adjourned at 12:00 p.m.** The Regents attended the Tracy Hall Science Center Celebration and Groundbreaking with Governor Herbert. Following a lunch hosted by Weber State University, the Board of Regents met in Executive Session from 1:39 until 2:56 p.m.

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Kirsten Schroeder, Executive Secretary

Date Approved: July 18, 2014