November 5, 2014

MEMORANDUM

TO: State Board of Regents

FROM: David L. Buhler

SUBJECT: Utah Valley University – Campus Master Plan Approval

Issue

Utah Valley University (UVU) is requesting review and approval of its updated Campus Master Plan.

Background

The Board last reviewed and approved the Utah Valley University Campus Master Plan on November 18, 2011. The attached letter summarizes the significant changes to the campus since that last review and as well as master planning efforts currently in process. A handout detailing the locations of the changes in the master plan and other pertinent information will be distributed at the meeting.

UVU officials will be present at the meeting to present this agenda item and to respond to questions from the Board.

Commissioner’s Recommendation

The Commissioner recommends that the Board approve the updated Utah Valley University Campus Master Plan.

David L. Buhler
Commissioner of Higher Education

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Attachment
October 29, 2014

Commissioner David Buhler
Utah System of Higher Education
Board of Regents Building
The Gateway
60 SOUTH 400 WEST
SALT LAKE CITY, UTAH 84101

Dear Commissioner Buhler,

I am requesting approval of the Utah Valley University master plan by the Utah State Board of Regents. The majority of the UVU master plan remains the same as last year with the following exceptions:

1) *The purchase of an additional 125 acres on the @Geneva Site located in Vineyard, Utah.* The purchase price for the first parcel of 98 acres was $10,144,285. We have contractually secured an additional 27 acres for $3,681,494 which is due and payable no later than four years six months from the close of the original parcel on June 18th, 2014.

2) *Master-plan strategy.* UVU administrators are currently in the process of hiring an architectural firm to support our master-planning efforts. This process will guide the University to determine optimal utilization of the 225 acres at Geneva, the 213 main campus acres, and the 17 acres on West Campus. The master plan will also include future satellite campuses at Vineyard, Thanksgiving Point, and Payson.

3) *The addition of a parking lot in the South East corner of the University.* The critical demand for this parking lot is driven by the impending growth of the University. In addition to the current needs, the lot will provide parking facilities for the future fine arts and performance building. This is a former intramural field that is not being utilized due to the construction of the new fields @Geneva. We are working with representatives of the surrounding neighborhood to secure a successful design and construction process.

4) *Classroom Building update.* The 244,000 square foot classroom building ribbon cutting is scheduled for Dec 18, 2014. This building will add 3,000 seats per hour, with the addition of a 1,000 seat auditorium and multiple 150 and 75 seat classroom options. The building will have one dean’s suite as well as a number of departmental suites and faculty offices.

5) *Student Life & Wellness building update.* Since the last Utah Board of Regents meeting at UVU we completed the 170,000 square foot Student Life and Wellness Building. This building contains numerous offices, conference rooms, fitness spaces, bowling alley, and student spaces.
6) **Main campus parking structure.** A parking structure of 525 parking spaces in the center of campus was completed in April, 2014.

We appreciate the support of the Utah Board of Regents, the Commissioner and the Commissioner’s staff as we continue to meet the higher education needs of our service region. Utah County is projected to double over the next 20 years and Utah Valley University will continue to grow and expand to meet the needs of its community. If you have any questions please feel free to contact me at (801)863-8424.

Sincerely,

[Signature]

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Finance and Administration
Utah Valley University

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Enclosure
1. Masterplan

c: Ralph Hardy