November 19, 2021

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      Specialized Accreditation Report:
      1. Utah State University – Bachelor of Science in Forest Ecology and Management
      2. Utah State University – Department of Theatre

   3-Year Report:
   3. Utah State University – Master of Science in Aviation Science
   4. Utah State University – Bachelor of Science in Technology Systems
   5. Utah State University – Master of Data Analytics
6. Utah State University – Accelerated Bachelor/Master of Landscape Architecture
7. Utah State University – Doctorate in Landscape Architecture and Environmental Planning

7-Year Report:
8. Utah State University – Department of Applied Sciences, Technology and Education
9. Utah State University – Department of Instructional Technology and Learning Sciences
10. Utah State University – Department of Special Education and Rehabilitation
11. Utah State University – Department of Political Science
12. Utah State University – Department of Watershed Sciences
13. University of Utah – Doctorate in Nursing
14. University of Utah – Gerontology Interdisciplinary Program

INFORMATION:
New Program:
15. Utah Valley University – Master of Science in Clinical Mental Health Counseling
16. Southern Utah University – Bachelor of Arts/Bachelor of Sciences in Aviation Administration and Leadership
17. Southern Utah University – Bachelor of Social Work
18. Utah State University – Associate of Arts in Art
19. Utah State University – Associate of Arts in Theatre
20. Utah State University – Master of Sciences in Engineering Education
21. Utah State University – Accelerated Bachelor in Landscape Architecture + Master of Science in Environmental Planning
22. Utah State University – Master of Financial Economics
23. Utah State University – Bachelor of Arts/Bachelor of Sciences in Data Analytics
24. Utah State University – Master of Ecological Restoration
25. Utah Valley University – Associate of Applied Sciences in Entertainment Design
26. Utah Valley University – Bachelor of Fine Arts in Entertainment Design
27. Utah Valley University – Bachelor of Applied Sciences in Transportation Technologies
28. Utah Valley University – Bachelor of Sciences in International Business

NOTICE:
New Program:
29. Utah Valley University – Certificate of Proficiency in Data Analytics and Decision Making
30. Southern Utah University – Minor in Special Education
31. University of Utah – Minor in Business Analytics

New Emphasis:
32. University of Utah – Master of Science in Clinical Investigation – Global Health Innovation and Technology Emphasis
33. Utah Valley University – Master of Education – School Counseling Emphasis
Name Change:
34. Southern Utah University – Nursing – Licensed Practical Nursing (LPN) Emphasis to BSN to Nursing – Health Professionals to BSN Emphasis

New Center:
35. University of Utah – Center for Reproductive and Sexual Health Access, Science, Coverage, Equity, Innovation and Training

New Admin Unit:
36. University of Utah – Department of Physical Medicine and Rehabilitation

G. GRANT PROPOSALS

3. University of Utah – Army Medical Research Acquisition Activity; “DODIIRA-LANDS Cycle Diabetes”; $2,440,000. Principal Investigator, Katsuhiko Funai.
10. University of Utah – DHHS National Institutes of Health; “R01 Dopamine Signaling”; $2,864,694. Principal Investigator, Adrian Rothenfluh.
| 26. | Utah State University – Utah Governor’s Office of Economic Development; UIRA-Utah MEP Appropriation through GOED”; $14,000,019. Principal Investigator, Stephen S Reed. |
| 29. | Utah State University - Republic of Korea Global Hawk Tasking, Collection, Processing, Exploitation, and Dissemination Sustainment; “This performance-based work statement (PWS) describes the services required to support the Republic of Korea Air Force (ROKAF) Global Hawk (GH) Unmanned Aircraft System Tasking, Collection, Processing, Exploitation, and Dissemination (TCPED). The ROKAF GH TCPED capability is a scaled down version of the United States Air Force Distributed Common Ground System (DCGS). The TCPED system shall perform the following services: Coordinate with the ROKAF GH Ground Control Element (GCE) for information collection, process collected data, store processed and unprocessed collected Geospatial Intelligence (GEOINT) data, exploit/analyze the processed GEOINT data to produce intelligence reports, disseminate both processed/unprocessed data, intelligence reports, and provide situational awareness data. The TCPED service responsibilities required include system maintenance, administration, and management for support of ground system maintenance while conducting missions, and associated IT Operations administrative and operational support requirements) for the Command and Control, Intelligence, Surveillance, and Reconnaissance (C2ISR) Enterprise.”; $35,221,295. Principal Investigator, Kyle Palmer. |
| 30. | Utah State University – RIFT – Niagara; “The Space Dynamics Laboratory will continue providing support and maintenance of the SmallSat Agile Transmit and Receive Network (SATRN)”; $2,347,620. Principal Investigator, Nate Farnsworth. |
| 31. | Utah State University – Booz Allen Hamilton Research; “Space Dynamics Laboratory (SDL) will provide technical and/or scientific expertise and support to Booz Allen Hamiltons contract with the National Geospatial-Intelligence Agency (NGA) Research Directorate”; $3,000,000. Principal Investigator, Rex Nethercott. |
| 32. | Utah State University – Utah System of Higher Education; “Stackable Credentials in Data Science at Utah State University; “$2,245,164. Principal Investigator, John R Stevens. |
| 34. | Utah State University – NASA Goddard Space Flight Center; “The Space Dynamics Laboratory will provide all labor, materials, facilities, service, equipment, analyses and management activities necessary to procure parts and materials, assemble and test, and...
deliver the Capture Containment Module (CCM) camera system”; $14,952,460. Principal Investigator, Roger Ellis.

35. Utah State University- Missile Defense Agency; “The Space Dynamics Laboratory shall provide Subject Matter Expertise (SME) and analytical services to support the Missile Defense Agency (MDA)/CR. Key support areas include systems engineering and technical assessments of missile defense programs, architectures, and technologies”; $6,628,733. Principal Investigator, Jim Marshall.


37. Utah State University – Missile Defense; “The Space Dynamics Laboratory (SDL) will continue to perform in its capacity as a University Affiliated Research Center (UARC) for the Department of Defense (DoD)/Missile Defense Agency (MDA) for core research, development, and engineering capabilities, across the full range of SDLs UARC core competencies. Specifically, this includes work related to state-of-the-art and proof-of-concept sensor systems for airborne and space-based platforms, investigation of new sensor systems, modeling, simulation and analysis, rapid prototyping, experiments, proof-of-concept demonstrations, small satellite missions, and participation in the early phases of future DoD technology initiatives, including basic research”; $3,000,000. Principal Investigator, Scott Conner.

38. Utah State University – Air Force Materiel Command; “The Space Dynamics Laboratory will furnish the necessary personnel, facilities, and material to fabricate, assemble, test, deliver, and install the equipment and software required to maintain and enhance the Virtual Imagery Processing Capability (VIP-C) for the Air Force”; $32,820,649. Principal Investigator, Shane Jenkins.


40. Utah Valley University – Institute of Education Science; “Cognition and Student Learning”; $1,254,000. Principal Investigator, Anton Tolman.


H. AWARDS


2. University of Utah – National Science Foundation; “CSOE”; $4,000,000. Principal Investigator, Shelley D Minter.


7. Utah State University – UT Governor’s Office of Economic Development; “UIRA-Utah MEP Appropriation through GOED”; $14,000,000. Principal Investigator, Stephen S Reed.
10. Utah State University – National Institute of Food and Agriculture; “Using Smart Foodscapes to Enhance the Sustainability of Western Rangelands”; $6,800,000. Principal Investigator, Juan J Villalba.
14. Utah Valley University – Department of Education; “TRIO Talent Search Program”; $1,386,875. Principal Investigator, Michael Campbell.
Utah System of Higher Education
Virtual Meeting
Thursday, September 16, 2021

COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE
MINUTES

Board Members Present

Harris H. Simmons, chair
Aaron Osmond, vice chair
Nina R. Barnes, vice chair
Jesselie B. Anderson
Mike Angus
Jera L. Bailey
Stacey K. Bettridge
Lisa Michele Church
Wilford Clyde
Sanchaita Datta
Alan Hall
Crystal Maggelet
Tanner Marcum
Arthur E. Newell
Shawn Newell
Scott Theurer

Board Members Absent

Patricia Jones
Valerie Serawop

Office of the Commissioner

Dave R. Woolstenhulme, Commissioner of Higher Education
Geoffrey Landward, Deputy Commissioner and General Counsel
Rich Amon, Chief Financial Officer
Trisha Dugovic, Director of Communication
Malin Francis, Director of Facilities & Planning
Brynn Fronk, Executive Assistant to the Utah Board of Higher Education
Jared Haines, Senior Advisor for Technical Education
Melanie Heath, Assistant Commissioner of Strategic Initiatives
Malissa Jones, Office Manager
Carrie Mayne, Chief Economist
Loreen Olney, Administrative Assistant
Kim Ziebarth, Associate Commissioner of Technical Education

Institutional Presidents Present

Chad Campbell, Bridgerland Technical College
Richard B. Williams, Dixie State University
Clay Christensen, Mountainland Technical College
Mindy Benson, Southern Utah University
Paul Hacking, Tooele Technical College
Astrid S. Tuminez, Utah Valley University
Taylor Randall, University of Utah

Darin Brush, Davis Technical College
Kelle Stephens, Dixie Technical College
Brad J. Cook, Snow College
Brennan Wood, Southwest Technical College
Aaron Weight, Uintah Basin Technical College
Noelle Cockett, Utah State University
Brad L. Mortensen, Weber State University
Other Guests

Carson Howell, Vice President of Finances and Administrative Services, Snow College
Robin Burr, Chief Facilities Officer, University of Utah
Mark Halverson, Associate Vice President for Facilities and Campus Planning, Weber State University
Richard Brown, Dean, College of Engineering, University of Utah
Paul Morris, Vice President of Administrative Affairs, Dixie State University
Holly Peterson, Vice President of Instruction, Mountainland Technical College
Aaron Peterson, Board of Trustees Chair, Tooele Technical College

Chair Simmons called the meeting to order at 12:00 p.m.

Committee of the Whole

Instructions for Capital Scoring (TAB A)

Rich Amon gave introductory comments and instructions for capital scoring to the Board. This was an information item only; no action was taken.

Degree Granting Institutions Presentations

Presentations from the following degree granting institutions:

1. Utah Valley University – President Astrid Tuminez
2. Snow College – President Brad Cook
3. Utah State University – President Noelle Cockett
4. Southern Utah University – President Mindy Benson
5. University of Utah – President Taylor Randall and Richard Brown
6. Weber State University – President Brad Mortensen
7. Dixie State University – President Richard Williams

Finance and Facilities Committee Capital Tour Observations

Board members Clyde, Angus, and Anderson shared observations from the Finance and Facilities Committee tours of the projects. Vice chair Barnes and Board member Bailey asked the Board to remember the students in rural Utah as they consider the asks. This was an information item only; no action was taken.

Board Scoring, Tabulation and Discussion

Rich Amon explained the process of Board scoring and tabulation. This was a discussion item only; no action was taken.

Board Final Prioritization and Recommendations for Degree-Granting

Rich Amon revealed the results of the scoring. Some Board members expressed concern that the weight of the Board criteria does not equal or exceed the criteria of the staff ranking. The Board agreed to revisit the scoring process in a future meeting for next year. **Board member Church made a motion to approve the following degree-granting capital facility requests as Board recommendations pursuant to the criteria and scoring they were asked to for legislative funding in priority order:**

1. WSU – David O. McKay Education Building Renovation
2. USU – Animal Science Renovation
3. UVU – Engineering Building
4. DSU – General Classroom Building
5. SUU – Music Center Renovation
6. Snow – Center for Rural Studies and Community Development
7. UU – Interdisciplinary Computing Building

Vice chair Osmond seconded the motion with the amendment that the scoring rubric will go forward with the list of projects and the motion passed.

**Technical Education Institutions Presentations**

Presentations from the following technical education institutions:

1. Dixie Technical College – President Kelle Stephens
2. Davis Technical College – President Darin Brush
3. Mountainland Technical College – President Clay Christensen
4. Tooele Technical College – President Paul Hacking

**Finance and Facilities Committee Capital Tour Observations**

Board members Angus and Clyde shared observations from the Finance and Facilities Committee tours of the projects. Vice chair Osmond informed the Board that prior to COVID-19 impacts, these projects had been prioritized with the U Tech Board for their consideration. This was an information item only; no action was taken.

**Board Scoring, Tabulation and Discussion**

Rich Amon explained the process of Board scoring and tabulation. This was an information item only; no action was taken.

**Board Final Prioritization and Recommendations for Technical Colleges**

Rich Amon revealed the results of the scoring. Some Board members expressed concern that under the scoring rubric rural institutions are negatively impacted. The Board agreed to revisit the scoring process in a future meeting for next year. **Board member Datta made a motion to approve the following technical college capital facility requests as Board recommendations for legislative funding in priority order:**

1. Mountainland Technical College – Payson Campus
2. Davis Technical College – Campus Renovations/Program Expansion
3. Tooele Technical College – Tech Building Expansion
4. Dixie Technical College – New Classroom

Board member Theurer seconded the motion and the motion passed.

**Land Bank Requests Presentation**

A presentation from the following institution:

1. Bridgerland Technical College – President Chad Campbell

**Board Recommendations for Land Bank Requests**

Board member Theurer made a motion to approve the following land bank request as a Board recommendation for legislative funding:

1. Bridgerland Technical College

Board member Clyde seconded the motion and the motion passed.
Motion to Adjourn

Board member Datta made a motion to adjourn; Board member Arthur Newell seconded the motion and the motion passed.

The meeting adjourned at 4:45 p.m.

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Geoffrey Landward, Secretary

Date Approved:
Utah System of Higher Education
Virtual Meeting
Friday, September 17, 2021

COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE
MINUTES

Board Members Present

Harris H. Simmons, chair
Aaron Osmond, vice chair
Nina R. Barnes, vice chair
Jesselie B. Anderson
Mike Angus
Jera L. Bailey
Stacey K. Bettridge
Lisa Michele Church
Alan Hall
Patricia Jones
Crystal Maggelet
Tanner Marcum
Arthur E. Newell
Shawn Newell
Scott Theurer

Board Members Absent

Wilford Clyde
Sanchaita Datta
Valirie Serawop

Office of the Commissioner

Dave R. Woolstenhulme, Commissioner of Higher Education
Rich Amon, Chief Financial Officer
Trisha Dugovic, Director of Communication
Brynn Fronk, Executive Assistant to the Utah Board of Higher Education
Jared Haines, Senior Advisor for Technical Education
Julie Hartley, Associate Commissioner of Academic Education
Melanie Heath, Assistant Commissioner of Strategic Initiatives
Malissa Jones, Office Manager
Spencer Jenkins, Chief Student Affairs Officer
Geoffrey Landward, Deputy Commissioner and General Counsel
Carrie Mayne, Chief Economist
Will Pierce, Assistant Commissioner of Technical Education
Scott Wyatt, Senior Executive Director of Online Education

Institutional Presidents Present

Chad Campbell, Bridgerland Technical College
Richard B. Williams, Dixie State University
Clay Christensen, Mountainland Technical College
Denenece G. Huftalin, Salt Lake Community College
Mindy Benson, Southern Utah University
Paul Hacking,Tooele Technical College
Astrid S. Tuminez, Utah Valley University

Darin Brush, Davis Technical College
Kelle Stephens, Dixie Technical College
Jim Taggart, Ogden-Weber Technical College
Brad J. Cook, Snow College
Brennan Wood, Southwest Technical College
Aaron Weight, Uintah Basin Technical College
Noelle Cockett, Utah State University
Brad L. Mortensen, Weber State University
Southwest Technical College Board of Trustees
Beverly Burgess
Dave Staheli
Mike Evans
Darin Gifford
Garrett Cottam
Roger Howard

Other Guests
Nouman Kante, Southern Utah University student
Taylor Deutschlander, Southwest Technical College student
James Mullenaux, Southwest Technical College Foundation Board Member

Chair Simmons called the meeting to order at 7:30 a.m.

Closed Session

Board member Jones made a motion to go into closed session for the purposes of discussing the character, professional competence, or physical or mental health of an individual; Board member Shawn Newell seconded the motion and the motion was passed.

Committee of the Whole

Chair Simmons called the Committee of the Whole meeting to order at 9:00 a.m.

Student Update

Student updates were provided by Taylor Deutschlander from Southwest Technical College and Nouman Kante from Southern Utah University. This was an information item only; no action was taken.

New Student Board Members

Brynn Fronk administered the Oath of Office to new student Board member Tanner Marcum. This was an information item only; no action was taken.

Committee Report (TAB A)

Committee updates were provided by Board member Church, Board member Arthur Newell, Board member Shawn Newell, and Board member Angus. This was an information item only; no action was taken.

Annual Report (TAB B)

Commissioner Woolstenhulme reviewed the Annual Report with the Board members. This was an information item only; no action was taken.
COVID-19 Update

Commissioner Woolstenhulme and Spencer Jenkins provided an update on COVID-19. This was an information item only; no action was taken.

Strategic Plan Update (TAB C)

Melanie Heath provided an update on the Strategic Plan to the Board members. This was an information item only; no action was taken.

Statewide Marketing Campaign (TAB D)

Trisha Dugovic provided an update on the Statewide Marketing Campaign to the Board members. This was an information item only; no action was taken.

Adult Education (TAB E)

Melanie Heath provided an update on Adult Education to the Board members. This was an information item only; no action was taken.

Performance Funding Review

Rich Amon provided a Performance Funding Review update to the Board members. This was an information item only; no action was taken.

Student Equity Commission

Board member Marcum introduced the Student Equity Commission. This was an information item only; no action was taken.

EDI Training: New Leadership Academy (TAB F)

Board member Church introduced Amy Fulton, Director of the New Leadership Academy at the University of Utah, who provided an overview of NLA. This was an information item only; no action was taken.

State Online Program

Scott Wyatt introduced the State Online Program and task force. Board members requested Board, student and EDI representation on the task force. Some presidents requested in writing clarification of the Board's charge and expectation. Scott has agreed to bring clearly defined objectives of the program to the November Board meeting. This was a discussion item only; no action was taken.

FY2022-23 USHE Operating Budget Request (TAB G)

Rich Amon reviewed FY 2022-23 USHE Operating Budget Requests with the Board members. **Board member Arthur Newell made a motion to approve the FY2022-23 USHE operating budget priorities and authorize the Commissioner to make any subsequent technical adjustments, including rounding, necessary to finalize the budget prior to submitting to the Governor and Legislature; Board member Shawn Newell seconded the motion and the motion passed.**

Talent Ready Utah
Commissioner Woolstenhulme provided an update on Talent Ready Utah. **Board member Jera Bailey made a motion to authorize the Commissioner to enter into a memorandum of understanding with the Governor's Office of Economic Opportunity to administer the Talent Ready Utah Program; Board member Barnes seconded the motion and the motion passed.**

**Student Safety (TAB H)**

Board member Marcum made a motion to recommend the Commissioner's staff work with student Board members and the chair of the Student Affairs Committee to develop policy that:
1. Formalizes the role of the Campus Safety and Equity Commission
2. Enable the Board to provide equitable compensation via scholarship funds for students who provide their time and insights in support of Board priorities.
Board member Church seconded the motion and the motion passed.

**Consent Calendar (TAB I)**

Board member Jones made a motion to approve the consent calendar; Board member Barnes seconded the motion and the motion passed.

**Motion to Adjourn**

Board member Theurer made a motion to adjourn; Board member Angus seconded the motion and the motion passed.

The meeting adjourned at 12:30 p.m.

Geooffrey Landward, Secretary

Date Approved:
Utah System of Higher Education
Virtual Meeting
Friday, October 1, 2021

COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE
MINUTES

Board Members Present
Harris H. Simmons, Chair
Aaron Osmond, Vice Chair
Nina R. Barnes, Vice Chair
Jesselie B. Anderson
Jera L. Bailey
Stacey K. Bettridge
Lisa Michele Church
Wilford W. Clyde
Sanchaita Datta
Patricia Jones
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Tanner Marcum
Arthur E. Newell
Shawn Newell
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Board Members Absent
Alan Hall
Mike Angus

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Melanie Heath, Associate Commissioner of Strategic Initiatives and Access
Malissa Jones, Office Manager
Carrie Mayne, Chief Economist
Loreen Olney, Administrative Assistant
Dave Schwanke, UHEAA
Kim Ziebarth, Associate Commissioner of Technical Education

Guests
Lee Donner, Regional Managing Director, Hilltop Securities
Tim Webb, Director, Hilltop Securities
Mark Weadick, Managing Director, SL Capital Strategies
Patrick Belica, Managing Director, SL Capital Strategies
Wayne Vaught, Utah Valley University, Provost/Sr. Vice President for Academic Affairs
Blake Wade, Attorney, Gilmore Bell
Institutional Presidents Present

Chad Campbell, Bridgerland Technical College
Clay Christensen, Mountainland Technical College
Mindy Benson, Southern Utah University
Astrid S. Tuminez, Utah Valley University
Kelle Stephens, Dixie Technical College

Committee of the Whole

Chair Simmons called the meeting to order at 2:00 p.m.

Funding Recommendations for Dee/Emerging Tech grants from Deep Tech Advisory Council (TAB A)

Board member Datta provided a summary to the Board of the funding recommendations for the Dee/Emerging Tech grants from the Deep Tech Advisory Council. **Board member Shawn Newell made a motion that the nine grant proposals selected by the Deep Technology Advisory Council be approved by the Board for recommendation to the legislature for funding**; Board member Sanchaita Datta seconded the motion and the motion passed.

Masks in a Medical Setting

Geoff Landward provided an update on masks in a medical setting to the Board. **Board member Jones made a motion to authorize USHE institutions to require face coverings for individuals in a medical setting at an institution of higher education in accordance with Utah Code 53B-3-103(2)(d)**; Board member Church seconded the motion and the motion passed.

Closed Session

Board member Datta made a motion to go into closed session to discuss fiduciary or commercial information of the Utah Higher Education Assistance Authority and to discuss the character, professional competence, or physical or mental health of an individual; Board member Barnes seconded the motion and the motion passed.

UHEAA Legacy Portfolio

Board member Church made a motion to approve the proposed Authorizing Resolution to sell the UHEAA FFELP loan portfolio and also authorize the Commissioner to work with the state legislature to establish a higher education endowment fund for funds released from the sale of the UHEAA FFELP loan portfolio; Board member Osmond seconded the motion and the motion passed.

Motion of Future Resolution for UHEAA

**Board member Maggelet made a motion for a future resolution of appreciation for UHEAA; Board member Church seconded the motion and the motion passed.**

Motion to Adjourn

Board member Jones made a motion to adjourn; Board member Anderson seconded the motion and the motion passed.
The meeting adjourned at 3:50 p.m.

Geoffrey Landward, Secretary
Utah System of Higher Education
Virtual Meeting
Wednesday, October 27, 2021

COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE
MINUTES

Board Members Present

Harris H. Simmons, Chair
Nina R. Barnes, Vice Chair
Aaron Osmond, Vice Chair
Jesselie B. Anderson
Mike Angus
Jera L. Bailey
Stacey Bettridge
Lisa Michele Church
Wilford W. Clyde
Sanchaita Datta
Alan E. Hall
Patricia Jones
Arthur E. Newell
Shawn Newell
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Board Members Absent


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Deniece G. Huftalin, Salt Lake Community College
Mindy Benson, Southern Utah University

Astrid S. Tuminez, Utah Valley University
Brad J. Cook, Snow College
Brennan Wood, Southwest Technical College

Dixie State University Board of Trustees Present

Tiffany Wilson, Chair
Colleen Kvetko, Vice Chair
Betty Barnum
Committee of the Whole

Chair Simmons called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m.

Dixie State Naming

Julie Beck, chair of the Dixie State University Name Recommendation Committee, presented the chair report to the Board members. She discussed the process and results of the committee’s research. Board member Marcum read a letter from the student leaders at Dixie State University which supported the new name recommendation. Members of the Dixie State University Board of Trustees made comments in support of the new name recommendation. Board member Bettridge expressed concern about losing the community’s support if the name were to be changed. Board members Jones, Hall, Shawn Newell, and Arthur Newell gave support of the name change. Board member Theurer agreed the name should be changed but does not support the proposed name.

Geoffrey Landward reviewed the Board’s statutory obligation.

Board member Patricia Jones made a motion to approve and recommend the name of Utah Tech University to the Utah State Legislature; Board member Bailey seconded the motion and the motion passed.

Board member Arthur Newell made the motion to adjourn the meeting; Board member Barnes seconded the motion and the motion passed.

The meeting adjourned at 10:15 a.m.

Geoffrey Landward, Secretary

Date Approved:
## UTAH BOARD OF HIGHER EDUCATION
### 2022-2023 MEETING SCHEDULE

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Institutions to host in upcoming year:
Snow College, Bridgerland Technical College, Utah State University, Utah Valley University, Mountainland Technical College
November 19, 2021

Temporary Exception to Board Policy R601-3.5—UHEAA Board Membership

Utah Code 53B-12-102(3) grants the Board of Higher Education authority to establish a board of directors to manage the Utah Higher Education Assistance Authority (UHEAA). By law, this board of directors shall have no fewer than five members. Under Board Policy R601, the Board established a UHEAA board of directors with 11 members. However, as UHEAA prepares for the sale of its remaining portfolios, several directors have resigned their appointments to the UHEAA board, potentially leaving the board with fewer than 11 members.

Rather than appoint new members during this transition period, the Board may make a temporary exception to existing policy and maintain the UHEAA board membership at the statutory minimum of five directors until the transition is complete, at which time the Board may revisit the role and purpose of a board of directors for My529 and other potential duties.

Commissioner’s Recommendation

The Commissioner recommends the Board temporarily suspend the membership requirements of Board Policy R601-3.5 and allow the UHEAA board to operate at the statutorily designated minimum membership of five directors.
November 18, 2021

Salt Lake Community College – Non-Traditional Arrangement Revision

Regent Policy R712, *Non-Traditional Arrangements for Development of Facilities on Campuses*, requires the Board to approve development projects by outside entities on institutional land. In March 2020, the Board approved Salt Lake Community College (SLCC) to enter into a contract for up to forty years with a private developer to develop a mixed-use project on the Meadowbrook Campus. SLCC requests Board approval to modify the project to extend the contract to a 99-year term for a mixed-use development including affordable housing, office space, and commercial space. The College will retain the option to sell the property in the future. Additional information about the project is provided in the attached letter and presentation from the College.

**Commissioner’s Recommendations**

The Commissioner recommends the Committee authorize, and forward to the full Board for approval, Salt Lake Community College to extend the contract for a mixed-use development with a private developer for a 99-year term. The authorization continues to be contingent on communication and review by the Attorney General’s Office.

**Attachments**
Board of Higher Education  
c/o Commissioner Dave R. Woolstenhulme  
Two Gateway 60 S. 400 West  
Salt Lake City, UT  84101-1284  

RE: SLCC-owned property at 218 W. 3900 South (Meadowbrook)  

Commissioner:  

Having previously come before the Board on 3/27/2020 to seek approval for developing the Meadowbrook property, the College has been working with the Boyer Company since that time under a Letter of Intent arrangement (signed 10/13/2020), and is now prepared to sign a long-term Ground Lease which will formalize the partnership between SLCC and Boyer in overseeing the future use of that property.  

Initially the project as proposed by Boyer was contemplated as a multi-use development, with commercial/office space being done first, and affordable housing being done in a subsequent phase, with the timing of that phase to be determined. With the advent of COVID-19 and the corresponding drop in demand for commercial/office space, it was determined that Boyer should change the sequence of development projects to focus on affordable housing first, with commercial/office space following in a subsequent phase. The project, as originally proposed and approved by the Board in March 2020 assumed a 40 year financing term – based on the plan to focus on a commercial type development initially. Affordable housing was also mentioned with the caveat that a longer financing term would be necessary for that type of development. With the change brought about by COVID-19 and the corresponding change in direction, the need to alter the financing assumption to a 99 year term was made obvious.  

The College now seeks approval to execute the Ground Lease with the Boyer Company for a 99 year lease agreement, which will reflect the College’s fee-simple interest in the property – with no other considerations given by the institution. As part of the Ground Lease, the College maintains the right to sell the property at any time, with Boyer having the first right of refusal to purchase. The cash flow to the College over that time is illustrated on the accompanying schedule. Also attached, and in accordance with Board Rule 712, Section 5.6, the Attorney General’s Office has reviewed and signed off on the Ground Lease provisions, including the 99 year term, pending formal approval by the Board.  

Thank you for your continued support of the College as it seeks to address the needs of the communities it serves. Let me know if there is anything else you require from SLCC regarding this request.  

Respectfully submitted,  

Jeffrey J. West, CPA/MBA
BOYER MEADOWBROOK PHASED APPROACH:

PHASE I:
- ~225 Multi-Family Units (60% AMI)
- Using roughly half of the acreage
- Buildings B and C to remain temporarily while market improves

PHASE II DEMOLISH BUILDINGS B AND C:
- Construct Life Science/Office space
- Large floor plates of 25,000-35,000 SF, 3-5 stories (100-150,000 SF in total).
- Parking structure may be necessary depending on size and scale – market dependent
- If market demand doesn’t materialize for this product, housing could be a possibility

Boyer is fully committed to this project and will remain in constant communication with stakeholders.
EXISTING

PHASE I AFFORDABLE HOUSING

~225 MULTI-FAMILY UNITS WITH Structured PARKING

POWER EASEMENT
ADD FENCING AS NECESSARY
ADD NEW DRIVEWAY
REMOVE SLCC STRUCTURAL SIGNAGE
IMPROVE LANDSCAPE

MULTI-FAMILY UNITS WITH STRUCTURED PARKING

BUILDING B 5-STORY
PHASE II - COMMERCIAL

- POTENTIAL PARKING STRUCTURE
- FUTURE BUILDING II
- BUILDING I (BIOTECH LIFE SCIENCE COMMERCIAL)
THE BOYER COMPANY, L.C.
101 S 200 E, Ste 200
Salt Lake City, UT 84111

Contact: Nate Boyer, President
    t. 801.300.1378 | nboyer@boyercompany.com | f. 801.521.4793

Contact: Ryan Simmons, Partner
    t. 801.366.7130 | rsimmons@boyercompany.com
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Break even 13 years and 11 months = $5,714,690
November 1, 2021

Commissioner David R. Woolstenhulme
Utah Board of Higher Education
The Gateway
60 South 400 West
Salt Lake City, UT 84101-1284

RE: Proposed Ground Lease between Salt Lake Community College and Boyer Meadowbrook, L.C.

Dear Commissioner Woolstenhulme:

It is my understanding that Salt Lake Community College will be asking the Utah Board of Higher Education ("Board") to update its approval of the above referenced non-traditional transaction under the Board’s Policy R712-5. As part of its presentation to the Board, the College has asked me to provide my approval of the proposed Ground Lease. Although I am not willing to do that because I understand that the transaction has not yet been approved by the Board, I can inform the Board by this letter that I have reviewed the latest draft that I have of the Ground Lease, and that, if Sections 2 and 5.1.2. of that draft are consistent with the Board’s approval, I will give approval to its form and legal authority as required by said rule. Copies of Sections 2 and 5.1.2. of that draft are attached hereto for your reference.

Please let me know if you have a question.

Very truly yours,

KEVIN V. OLSEN
Assistant Attorney General

cc: Jeffrey West
otherwise agreed to by Landlord, be separated into more than two (2) separate ground leases; and (v) the real property under each separate ground lease will (A) contain at least two (2) acres; (B) have access (directly or through an easement) to and from a public roadway sufficient to develop a commercial building; and (C) have access (directly or through an easement) for connection to water, sewer, electric, gas and communication utilities sufficient to develop a commercial building.

2. **Term: Delivery of Possession.** The term of this Lease (the "Term") shall be for a period of ninety-nine (99) full consecutive years commencing on the date of this Lease (also referred to herein as the "Rent Commencement Date"), and ending on ___November 1, 2120, Landlord shall deliver physical possession of the Property to Tenant at the commencement of the Term, free and clear of any tenancy or occupancy by third parties, subject only to the Permitted Encumbrances.

3. **Rent and Other Payments.**

3.1. **Initial Fixed Rent.** Commencing on the Rent Commencement Date and on each annual anniversary of the Rent Commencement Date thereafter, or if the Rent Commencement Date is other than the first day of a calendar month, on each annual anniversary of the first day of the calendar month occurring after the Rent Commencement Date, Tenant shall pay Landlord base annual rent in the amount of Three Hundred Seventy-Five Thousand and Nos/100 Dollars ($375,000.00) (the "Fixed Rent"). In the event the Rent Commencement Date is on a day other than the first day of a calendar month, Tenant shall pay Landlord a prorated portion of Fixed Rent for such partial calendar month along with the full first year's Fixed Rent on the Rent Commencement Date. The Fixed Rent shall be paid in advance on or before the first day of each year to which it relates. The Fixed Rent shall be delivered to Landlord at the address provided in Section 25, or at such other address as Landlord may specify in writing to Tenant.

3.2. **Escalation of Fixed Rent.** On each five (5) year anniversary of the Rent Commencement Date, the Fixed Rent, as previously adjusted pursuant to this Section 3.2, shall be increased by ten percent (10%).

3.3. **Rent.** The term "Rent" means the aggregate of Fixed Rent and any and all amounts payable by Tenant to Landlord under the terms of this Lease, other than Fixed Rent.

3.4. **Net Rent.** The Fixed Rent is absolutely net to Landlord. Tenant shall pay for all insurance, taxes, utilities, repairs, maintenance and other services and costs relating to the Property and the Improvements. Except as otherwise expressly set forth in this Lease, Landlord shall incur no cost or expense in connection with the Property or the Improvements during the Term.

4. **Property Accepted "As-Is".** Tenant accepts the Property "as-is" without warranty or representation of any kind except as expressly set forth in this Lease. Landlord has provided Tenant with reasonable opportunities to conduct any inspections Tenant deemed appropriate to evaluate the Property and to determine the suitability of the Property for Tenant's purposes, including, without limitation, determining whether there are any Hazardous Materials (as defined in Section 10.3 below) on or under the Property, determining whether the Property has sufficient access, and determining whether all needed utilities and services will be available.
5. **Use and Improvements.**

5.1. **Use.**

5.1.1. The Property shall be used by the Tenant to construct and operate the Improvements for any lawful uses other than the Prohibited Uses (as defined below), under and in compliance with all Applicable Laws (as defined below).

5.2. **Construction of Improvements by Tenant.** The Future Improvements shall be constructed in accordance with the provisions of all Applicable Laws, and once commenced, shall be expeditiously constructed to completion.

5.2.1. Such lawful uses shall include without limitation activities and operations which serve to provide Salt Lake Community College with the means to provide post-secondary education opportunities to the community or any other uses that benefit the citizens of Salt Lake County that is approved by Landlord, such approval not to be unreasonably withheld, conditioned, or delayed, (it being agreed the uses of the Property for residential, commercial, industrial, and retail uses, other than Prohibited Uses, are approved by Landlord). For purposes of this Section 5.1.2, Landlord agrees that by paying rent and performing its obligations under this Ground Lease, Tenant has complied with the provisions of this Section 5.1.2.

5.3. **Ownership of Improvements.** Landlord hereby quit claims the Existing Improvements to Tenant. All Future Improvements constructed on the Property shall be owned by Tenant (or, at Tenant’s option as described herein, by subtenants with respect to improvements made by such subtenants, as provided by the terms of their respective leases) until expiration of the Term or sooner termination of this Lease, at which time, subject to the rights of a Leasehold Mortgagor, pursuant to a separate ground lease or sublease authorized pursuant to this Lease, all Improvements by whomever then owned shall become the property of Landlord. Tenant shall have the right to alter or modify all Improvements at any time during the Term so long as such alterations and modifications and the construction thereof comply with Applicable Laws, and once commenced, are expeditiously constructed to completion. The parties covenant for themselves and all persons claiming under them that the Improvements are and shall remain the personal property of Tenant (or subtenants, as the case may be) during the Term.

5.4. **No Continuous Operation.** Nothing herein shall require Tenant to construct or to continuously operate or occupy the Improvements or the Property; provided, however, that any vacation or under-utilization of the Improvements shall not excuse Tenant’s obligations to pay rent as well as to maintain and repair the Improvements, if constructed, as provided in this Lease, or to comply with Applicable Laws.

5.5. **Prohibited Uses.** Except with Landlord’s prior written consent, no portion of the Property will be used for any of the following uses (the “Prohibited Uses”):
November 18, 2021

Revision and Renaming of Policy R207, *Institutional Residences for Colleges and Universities*

As part of the ongoing process to review and update Board policies, the Commissioner’s Office recommends amendments to Policy R207, *Institutional Residences for Colleges and Universities in the Utah System of Higher Education*, including:

- Changing the policy number and title to R715, *Institutional Residences*
- Updating references, definitions, and policy to reflect changes in statute and to improve readability
- Clarifying the policy of the Board is to provide a housing allowance for presidents of degree-granting institutions and that when appropriate, the Board may designate an official residence
- Clarifying the process for designating an official institutional residence
- Defining criteria and processes for the disposal or conversion of a current institutional residence
- Clarifying that the policy does not apply to the Commissioner of Higher Education

A redline and clean version of the amended policy are included in the attachments.

**Commissioner’s Recommendation**

The Commissioner recommends the Board adopt changes to Policy R207 effective immediately and rename and renumber the policy to R715, *Institutional Residences*.

**Attachments**
R207R715, Institutional Residences for Colleges and Universities in the Utah System of Higher Education

**R715207-1. Purpose:** To govern the designation, acquisition, operation, and disposal of an institutional residence for degree-granting institutions, provide for a designated institutional residence for each college and university, on or near the respective campuses, appropriate for the functions of the presidential office and the residential requirements of the presidents. The duties of a president require residence on or near the campus so as to permit personal hosting of activities and events and involvement in administrative problems requiring personal and immediate attention. Provision and maintenance of institutional residences serves the best interests of the institutions, protects the assets of the Utah System of Higher Education, and reflects generally accepted practice throughout American higher education.

**R-715207-2: References**

2.1 Utah Code §53B-2-102, Board to Appoint President of Each Institution

2.2 Board Policy and Procedures R205, Presidential Appointment, Term of Office, and Compensation, and Benefits

**R715207-3. Institutional Residences in the System of Higher Education: Policy.** The general policy of the Board is to provide a housing allowance for presidents of degree-granting institutions. In certain limited circumstances, the provision and maintenance of institutional residences may serve the best interests of the institution and the System, in which case the board may designate an official institutional residence for a degree-granting institution.

**R715-43-1. Functions of an Official Institutional Residence:** The Board may of Higher Education shall designate an official institutional residence for each college and university a degree-granting institution, located on or near the campus, owned and maintained by the institution, and occupied by the President as a condition of employment. Such a residence is considered an institutional resource to be used for the convenience and benefit of the institution. The institutional residence is used by the President as an important extension of the campus in performing the functions of the presidential office. It will may be the President’s official residence and shall be used substantially for both administrative and social work-related purposes. The institutional residence serves as a vital

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center of social activity important to institutional advancement, where receptions for faculty, staff, students, and guests are held, and where influential visitors, lecturers, performers, potential donors, and others may be hosted.

**Criteria for Designation of Institutional Residences**

**5.2.1.** The Board of Higher Education, in designating an official institutional residence, shall consider:

- Institutional mission
- Type of institution (research university, baccalaureate/masters degree granting institution, or community college)
- Living standards and cost of housing in the community
- Ability to meet the president’s needs for campus-related activities
- Accessibility to the campus
- Suitability for family needs
- Estimated cost or market value
- Previous designated institutional residences
- Other appropriate factors.

**5.2.2.** The institution, in consultation with the President, the Chair of the institutional Board of Trustees, and the Chair of the Board of Higher Education, shall prepare a report summarizing the facts as to addressing the adequacy and appropriateness of a facility requested to be an institutional residence, with special attention given to the criteria listed in 5.1. The residence on these points shall be prepared by the Commissioner in consultation with the President, the Chair of the institutional Board of Trustees, and the Chair of the Board of Higher Education. The institution shall submit the report shall be submitted to the Commissioner for review prior to submission, submitting it to both the institutional Board of Trustees and the Board of Higher Education for approval. If approved, the Office of the Commissioner will retain report will be filed in the Office of the Commissioner as evidence of official designation for future reference.

**Initial Construction, Purchase, and Capital Enhancement:** Except as authorized in section 6.3.1 below, the costs of initial construction, purchase, and capital enhancement, major remodeling, landscaping, and improvements of existing and future institutional residences must have the
prior recommendation of the institutional Boards of Trustees and approval of the Board of Higher Education. Such costs will be financed from sources other than state-appropriated funds unless otherwise specifically authorized by the Board of Higher Education.

6.3.1 The Board members delegate authority to the institutional Boards of Trustees to approve and oversee the capital enhancement of existing institutional residences when the following specific conditions are met:

6.3.1.1 The total cost of the capital enhancement project does not exceed $200,000 for the duration of the president’s term in office.
The project remains subject to other applicable state approval processes.
6.3.1.2 No state-appropriated funds are may be used in the capital enhancements.
6.3.1.3 The capital enhancement of institutional residences should enhance furs the purpose of the residence as a campus resource and as a home that satisfies well as meet the familial needs of the president.

6.3.1.4 Institutions engaging in capital enhancement of institutional residences using this delegated authority are required to report, at the next regularly scheduled meeting of the Board of Higher Education, the amount of the bid accepted and a summary of the work to be performed.

R715-73.4 Disposal Selling of a Current Institutional Residence: Should the Board members If an institution determines that an institutional residence is no longer adequate or suitable to meet the needs of the institution, the institution shall request authorization from the Board to dispose of the residence appropraiasals may be obtained, sufficient advertising and bid time allowed, and the residence sold. Revenue from the sale will be applied as designated and approved by the Board of Higher Education.

7.1 In requesting Board authorization, the institution shall describe why the residence no longer meets institutional needs, indicate the property (if any) that will replace the current institutional residence, commission and submit a property appraisal determining fair market value of the property, and receive approval of the institutional Board of Trustees.

7.2 After Board approval, unless otherwise justified, the institution shall sell the property at or above fair market value. Revenue from the sale of the institutional residence shall be applied as designated and approved by the Board.

R715-8 Conversion of a Current Institutional Residence: If an institution determines that an institutional residence is no longer adequate or suitable to meet the needs of the institution, the institution shall request authorization from the Board to convert the residence to other uses.
8.1. In requesting Board authorization, the institution shall describe why the residence no longer meets institutional needs, indicate the property (if any) that will replace the current institutional residence, and receive approval of the institutional Board of Trustees.

R715-93.5 Costs of Maintaining Institutional Residences: Maintenance costs, including utilities, routine care of the residence and grounds, equipment replacement, repairs, and improvements, will be borne by the institution.

9.1. The utility costs covered by this policy include fuel, power, water, sewer, garbage, internet service, cable or satellite television, basic telephone service, and long-distance telephone service for institutional purposes.

93.5.2. Domestic assistance serving institutional purposes may be provided as appropriate, and as set forth and approved in the budget in R715-103.6.

93.5.3. With the approval of the institutional Board of Trustees, furnishings and equipment of a type serving primarily institutionally-related functions of the residence may be provided by the institution and shall remain on the property inventory of the institution.

93.5.4. Fire and liability insurance shall be carried on all institutional residences and property, with the costs being borne by the institutions. Insurance costs on personal belongings shall be paid for by the occupying presidents.

R715-103.6. Budget Report to the Board of Higher Education: On or before September 15 of each year, the President of each institution shall submit to the Office of the Commissioner of Higher Education a report summarizing the current fiscal year budgeted expenditures approved by the institutional Boards of Trustees for the institutional residences. This report shall detailing budgeted expenditures for maintenance costs, custodial and domestic assistance, and insurance, as provided in R715-93.5. This report is to be submitted to the Commissioner and to be shared with the Board of Higher Education as an information item with will also include the previous year’s actual expenditures and long with the approved budget approved for that year.

R715-113.7. Exceptions to Policy: The provisions of this policy shall not apply to the Commissioner of Higher Education. The Board of Higher Education may provide an equitable housing allowance, or make other equitable and appropriate arrangements, to accommodate the residential housing requirements of the Commissioner or institutional Presidents.
R715, Institutional Residences

R715-1 Purpose: To govern the designation, acquisition, operation, and disposal of an institutional residence for degree-granting institutions.

R-715-2 References

2.1 Utah Code §53B-2-102, Board to Appoint President of Each Institution

2.2 Board Policy R205, Presidential Appointment, Compensation, and Benefits

R715-3 Institutional Residences in the System of Higher Education: The general policy of the Board is to provide a housing allowance for presidents of degree-granting institutions. In certain limited circumstances, the provision and maintenance of institutional residences may serve the best interests of the institution and the System, in which case the board may designate an official institutional residence for a degree-granting institution.

R715-4 Functions of an Official Institutional Residence: The Board may designate an official institutional residence for a degree-granting institution, located on or near the campus, owned and maintained by the institution, and occupied by the President as a condition of employment. Such a residence is considered an institutional resource to be used for the benefit of the institution. The institutional residence may be the President’s official residence and shall be used substantially for both administrative and social work-related purposes.

R715-5 Criteria for Designation of Institutional Residences

5.1 The Board, in designating an official institutional residence, shall consider:

5.1.1 Institutional mission

5.1.2 Living standards and cost of housing in the community

5.1.3 Ability to meet the president’s needs for campus-related activities

5.1.4 Accessibility to the campus

5.1.5 Suitability for family needs

5.1.6 Estimated cost or market value

5.1.7 Previous designated institutional residences

5.1.8 Other appropriate factors

5.2 The institution, in consultation with the president, the chair of the institutional board of trustees, and the Chair of the Board of Higher Education, shall prepare a report addressing the adequacy and appropriateness of a facility requested to be an institutional residence, with special attention given to the criteria listed in 5.1. The institution shall submit the report to the Commissioner for review prior to submitting it to the board of trustees and the Board of Higher Education for approval. If approved, the Office of the Commissioner will retain report for future reference.

R715-6 Initial Construction, Purchase, and Capital Enhancement: Except as authorized in section 6.1 below, the costs of initial construction, purchase, capital enhancement, major remodeling, landscaping, and improvements of existing and future institutional residences must have the prior recommendation of the boards of trustees and approval of the Board of Higher Education. Such costs will be financed from sources other than state-appropriated funds unless otherwise specifically authorized by the Board.

6.1 The Board delegates authority to the institutional Boards of Trustees to approve and oversee the capital enhancement of existing institutional residences when the following specific conditions are met:

6.1.1 The total cost of the capital enhancement project does not exceed $200,000 for the duration of the president’s term in office.

6.1.2 No state-appropriated funds are used in the capital enhancements.

6.1.3 The capital enhancement furthers the purpose of the residence as a campus resource and as a home that satisfies the familial needs of the president.

6.2 Institutions engaging in capital enhancement of institutional residences using this delegated authority are required to report, at the next regularly scheduled meeting of the Board, the amount of the bid accepted and a summary of the work to be performed.
R715-7 Disposal of a Current Institutional Residence: If an institution determines that an institutional residence is no longer adequate or suitable to meet the needs of the institution, the institution shall request authorization from the Board to dispose of the residence.

7.1 In requesting Board authorization, the institution shall describe why the residence no longer meets institutional needs, indicate the property (if any) that will replace the current institutional residence, commission and submit a property appraisal determining fair market value of the property, and receive approval of the board of trustees.

7.2 After Board approval, unless otherwise justified, the institution shall sell the property at or above fair market value. Revenue from the sale of the institutional residence shall be applied as designated and approved by the Board.

R715-8 Conversion of a Current Institutional Residence: If an institution determines that an institutional residence is no longer adequate or suitable to meet the needs of the institution, the institution shall request authorization from the Board to convert the residence to other uses.

8.1 In requesting Board authorization, the institution shall describe why the residence no longer meets institutional needs, indicate the property (if any) that will replace the current institutional residence, and receive approval of the board of trustees.

R715-9 Costs of Maintaining Institutional Residences: Maintenance costs, including utilities, routine care of the residence and grounds, equipment replacement, repairs, and improvements, will be borne by the institution.

9.1 Utility costs covered by this policy include fuel, power, water, sewer, garbage, internet service, cable or satellite television, basic telephone service, and long-distance telephone service for institutional purposes.

9.2 Domestic assistance serving institutional purposes may be provided as appropriate, and as set forth and approved in the budget in R715-10.

9.3 With the approval of the board of trustees, furnishings and equipment of a type serving primarily institutionally-related functions of the residence may be provided by the institution and shall remain on the property inventory of the institution.

9.4 Fire and liability insurance shall be carried on all institutional residences and property, with the costs being borne by the institutions. Insurance costs on personal belongings shall be paid for by the occupying president.

R715-10 Budget Report to the Board: On or before September 15 of each year, the president of each institution shall submit to the Office of the Commissioner a report summarizing the current fiscal year budgeted expenditures approved by the boards of trustees for the institutional residences. This report
shall detail budgeted expenditures for maintenance costs, custodial and domestic assistance, and insurance, as provided in R715-9. This report is to be submitted to the Commissioner and to be shared with the Board as an information item with the previous year’s actual expenditures and the approved budget for that year.

**R715-11 Exceptions to Policy:** The provisions of this policy shall not apply to the Commissioner of Higher Education.
November 18, 2021

Revision of Policy R557, *Motor Vehicles*

As part of the ongoing process to review and update Board policies, the Commissioner’s Office recommends amendments to Policy R557, *Motor Vehicles*, including:

- Updating references, definitions, and policy to reflect changes in statute and to improve readability
- Adapting the policy to technical colleges by exempting institutions with fewer than ten motor pool vehicles from required professional management and operation as an enterprise service

A redline and clean version of the amended policy are included in the attachments.

**Commissioner’s Recommendation**

The Commissioner recommends the Committee adopt changes to Policy R557 effective immediately and forward to the full Board for approval.

**Attachments**
R557, Motor Vehicles

R557-1. Purpose: To provide guidelines and oversight for the purchase, maintenance and use of vehicles at the institutions.

R557-2. References

2.1. Utah Code §41-1a-407 (Use of “EX” Plates by Political Subdivisions or State)
2.2. Utah Code §63A, Chapter 9 (Division of Fleet Operations and Administration of State Vehicles)
2.3. Utah Code §63G-6a (Utah Procurement Code)
2.4. Board Policy R205, Presidential Appointment, Term of Office, and Compensation and Benefits
2.5. Board Policy R555, Providing Facilities, Goods and Services in Competition with the Private Sector
2.6. Board Policy R556, Transportation in Campus Vehicles
2.7. Board Policy R558, Surplus Property
2.78. Board Policy R567-3, Internal Audit Activities, Definitions

R557-3. Definitions

3.1. “Motor Pool Fleet”: The motor pool fleet is comprised of all vehicles owned or leased by the institution and maintained in a pool for daily and monthly use by departments and employees of the institution.

3.2. “Vehicle Fleet”: The vehicle fleet is comprised of all licensed vehicles owned or leased by the institution, including the motor pool fleet.

3.3. “Service Enterprises”: Service enterprises are operations within the institution established by the institution to provide services to departments and employees of the institution. Fees are set at a level adequate to support projected operating requirements without generating excess revenues.

3.4. “Commute”: Commute means travel between and employee’s home and place of work more often than five times per month. Commute includes travel to any work site closer to any employee’s home than the principal place of assignment.

3.5. “Employee”: Employee means any person who is paid by the institution or is acting as an agent of the institution in a volunteer position or as a student.

3.6. “Incidental Personal Use”: Use of a vehicle to obtain meals and lodging in connection with an authorized business trip.

R557-4. Policy

4.1. Ownership and Control of Vehicle Fleets: Each institution shall monitor and control its vehicle fleet. The institution with more than ten vehicles in its motor pool shall:

4.1.1. employ professional management for its fleet;
4.1.2. operate the motor pool fleet as a service enterprise;
4.1.3. monitor, analyze, and evaluate the utilization of fleet vehicles and analyze and evaluate to determine the optimal fleet size of the fleet;
4.1.4. before any new or replacement vehicle is purchased, review both the overall need for any potential vehicle purchase pursuant to 4.1.3 and conduct a cost-benefit analysis of entering into a for long-term lease versus vehicle purchase;
4.1.5. comply with Utah Code §63G-6a, Utah Code Annotated (State Procurement Code) in the purchase of all vehicles; and
4.1.6. evaluate the need for and cost of departmentally-owned vehicles versus vehicles included in the motor pool fleet; and
4.1.7. dispose of vehicles in accordance with R558, Surplus Property.

4.2. Marking of Vehicles and “EX” Plates: In accordance with Utah Code §63A-9-601, all vehicles in the fleet shall display an identification be marked and have “EX” plates, unless exempted under that section or Utah Code §41-1a-407.

4.3. Commute Policies: Commute privileges should be authorized only when it is determined to be beneficial to the institution. Institutions shall establish commute policies to provide:

4.3.1. authorization criteria for the use of vehicles for commuting;
4.3.2. disciplinary procedures and sanctions for unauthorized commuting; and
4.3.3. accounting guidelines for maintaining proper records of the taxable benefit to the employee of commuting in an institutional vehicle.

4.4. Maintenance and Safe Use of Vehicles: Institutions shall establish policies governing the maintenance and safe use of the vehicle fleet by departments and employees. These policies shall provide:

4.4.1. for compliance with guidelines established by the Office of Risk Management in connection with providing vehicle insurance to the institution; and
4.4.2. for employee reporting of vehicles involved in accidents and traffic violations and, for compliance with seat belt laws, alcohol and drug regulations and other traffic laws.

4.5. Use of Vehicles: Fleet vehicles shall only be used for official institutional business purposes, except when:
4.5.1. personal use has been authorized for the President in compliance with Board policy;
4.5.2. commute privileges have been authorized pursuant to section 4.3; or
4.5.3. non- incidental personal use has been specifically authorized by the President and reported to the institutional Board of Trustees.

4.6. **Vehicle Fleet Use Restricted by Board Policies:** Institutions shall comply with Board policies relating to vehicle use in such as R555, Providing Facilities, Goods and Services in Competition with Private Enterprise, and R556, Transportation in Campus Vehicles.

4.7. **Annual Report:** Institutions shall write and submit an annual vehicle fleet report to the Division of Fleet Operations. The report shall include:

4.7.1. the number of vehicles in the vehicle fleet, a description of each vehicle owned or leased, including the license number, year, make, and model of the vehicle, and the person and administrative unit within the institution to whom each vehicle is assigned;
4.7.2. other information requested by the Division of Administrative Services Fleet Operations in compliance with Utah Code §63A-9-402; and
4.7.3. the number and names of employees with authorized commute privileges, with authorized personal use privileges, and who drive unmarked vehicles.

4.8.7.4. **Annual Motor Fleet Pool Report:** The annual motor pool report shall be part of the regular budget process for institutions with more than ten vehicles in its motor pool and shall include:

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4.8.7.4.1. revenues and expenditures;
4.8.7.4.2. rates and charges for vehicle use;
4.8.7.4.3. vehicle utilization rates, and
4.8.7.4.3. other pertinent information about the operations of motor pool fleet.

4.98. **Certification and Reporting Requirements:** Institutions shall annually certify the accuracy of the vehicle fleet report and motor pool fleet report and shall submit the certification to the Board of Higher Education Manager of Audit by January 15.

4.109. **Oversight by Board of Trustees:** The Board of Trustees of each institution shall review the institution’s annual vehicle fleet reports and motor pool fleet reports and periodic internal audits prepared pursuant to Sections 4.7, 4.8, and 4.9. The Board of Trustees shall monitor how the institution manages and uses vehicle fleets.
R557, Motor Vehicles

R557-1. Purpose: To provide guidelines and oversight for the purchase, maintenance and use of vehicles.

R557-2. References

2.1. Utah Code §41-1a-407 (Use of “EX” Plates by Political Subdivisions or State)
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R557-3. Definitions

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3.3. “Service Enterprises”: Service enterprises are operations within the institution established by the institution to provide services to departments and employees of the institution. Fees are set at a level adequate to support projected operating requirements without generating excess revenues.

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4.1.1. employ professional management for its fleet;
4.1.2. operate the motor pool fleet as a service enterprise;
4.1.3. monitor, analyze, and evaluate the utilization of fleet vehicles to determine optimal fleet size;
4.1.4. review the overall need for any potential vehicle purchase pursuant to 4.1.3 and conduct a cost-benefit analysis for long-term lease versus vehicle purchase;
4.1.5. comply with Utah Code §63G-6a in the purchase of all vehicles; and
4.1.6. evaluate the need for and cost of departmentally-owned vehicles versus vehicles included in the motor pool fleet.

4.2. Marking of Vehicles and “EX” Plates: In accordance with Utah Code §63A-9-601, all vehicles in the fleet shall display an identification mark and have “EX” plates, unless exempted under that section or Utah Code §41-1a-407.

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4.4.1. for compliance with guidelines established by the Office of Risk Management in connection with providing vehicle insurance to the institution; and
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4.5.1. personal use has been authorized for the President in compliance with Board policy;
4.5.2. commute privileges have been authorized pursuant to section 4.3; or
4.5.3. non-incidental personal use has been specifically authorized by the President and reported to the institutional Board of Trustees.

4.6. Vehicle Fleet Use Restricted by Board Policies: Institutions shall comply with Board policies relating to vehicle use in R555 and R556.

4.7. Annual Report: Institutions shall submit an annual vehicle fleet report to the Division of Fleet Operations. The report shall include:
   4.7.1. the number of vehicles in the vehicle fleet, a description of each vehicle owned or leased (including license number, year, make, and model), and the person and administrative unit to whom each vehicle is assigned;
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November 18, 2021

Revision of Policy R558, *Surplus Property*

As part of the ongoing process to review and update Board policies, the Commissioner’s Office recommends amendments to Policy R558, *Surplus*, including updating references, definitions, and policy to reflect changes in statute and to improve readability. A redline and clean version of the amended policy are included in the attachments.

**Commissioner’s Recommendation**

The Commissioner recommends the Finance and Facilities Committee adopt changes to Policy R558 effective immediately and forward to the full Board for approval.

**Attachments**
R558, Surplus Property

R558-1 Purpose: To provide for certain interaction between the institutions and the State Division of Purchasing and General Services relating to govern institutional surplus property.

R558-2 Definitions

2.1 “Surplus Property”: Surplus property means property purchased by, seized by, or donated to, an institution which is no longer needed by the institution and is to be disposed of by the institution. Surplus property does not mean real property.

2.2 “Internal Transfer”: Internal transfer means transfer of surplus property internally within an institution.

2.3 “External Sale”: External sale means disposition of property outside of the institution.

R558-3 Policy

3.1 Institutional Programs: Each institution shall maintain its own surplus property program.

3.2 External Sale: External disposition of property shall be in compliance with applicable restrictions of any donor, the federal government, or other entity from which the property was originally acquired.

3.3 Preference for Internal Use: Institutions are encouraged to transfer surplus property internally before disposing of the property externally.

4.4 Notification to State Division of Purchasing and General Services: Each institution shall submit to the State Division of Purchasing and General Services a listing of vehicles available for sale outside the institution, at least 15 days prior to the intended sale date.

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4.5 Preference for Acquisitions of Surplus Property: Institutions are encouraged to acquire federal surplus property from the State Division of Purchasing and General Services or from other institutions in order to reduce expenditures.

3.4 Retention of Proceeds: Proceeds from the sale of surplus property are retained by the institution.

3.5 Oversight by and Report to the Board of Trustees: The Board of Trustees of each institution is responsible for general oversight of surplus property operations. Each institution shall report annually to its Board of Trustees regarding its surplus property operation. The report shall provide information on revenues, expenditures, and allocation of net revenues in a form specified in the annual budget process.
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November 19, 2021

Appointment of Institution Audit Committee Members

The state’s *Internal Audit Act* designates the Board of Higher Education as the “appointing authority” for institution audit committees (see 63I-5-102.4(c)) that appoints audit committee members (see 63I-5-102.5(a)) at the eight degree-granting institutions of higher education (see 63I-5-201(3)).

**Board policy R565-4.3.2** requires each institution to have an audit committee of three to five members, including at least three members of the board of trustees. At least one audit committee member at each institution “should have financial expertise either through professional certification or experience... when practicable.” Up to two audit committee members could be community members who do not serve on the institution’s board of trustees.

The Dixie State University Board of Trustees recommend the following new members to the audit committees:

**Mitch Cloward** was appointed to the DSU Board of Trustees in 2021. Mitch serves as the administrator of Intermountain St. George Regional Hospital. He joined Intermountain Healthcare in October of 2002 as an operations director for Intermountain’s Medical Group. In 2006 he advanced to become hospital operations officer guiding surgical services, neurosciences, rehabilitation, lab and serving as on-site administrator of Dixie’s 400 East Campus. He became an administrator for both campuses in 2016. In 2015, the St. George Chamber of Commerce recognized Mitch with the “Innovator of the Year” award. He has served in many community capacities, including board chair for the Dixie Applied Technology College.

Mitch holds a Master of Healthcare Administration from Texas Woman’s University. His career began as a financial analyst for the Kelsey-Seybold Clinic in Houston, where he rapidly advanced to the administrator over physician practices. Within three years, he directed finance for Great West Life and Annuity/One Health Plan and became their vice president of network development for the Dallas and Fort Worth areas. His diverse background has given him broad and deep experience in insurance, physician practice management, and hospital operations. He and Jennifer, his wife, are the parents of five children, proud grandparents of Olive, and reside in Santa Clara, Utah.

**Danny Ipson** is the CFO and Managing Member at DATS Trucking/Overland Petroleum. After attending Dixie College, he earned a BA in Accounting and Business Management from Southern Utah University.
Danny has served the University in various capacities for over 25 years and has been the head baseball coach at Dixie High School for the past thirteen years. He and his wife, Jenny, have three children and one grandchild.

**Penny Mills** grew up in Orem, Utah, as the youngest of five children. She attended Vineyard Elementary, Lakeridge Jr. High, and Mountain View High School. She loves music and has sung with several performance choirs, including a tour with one stop at Carnegie Hall. As a sophomore in high school, Penny was a starting defensive player for the Lacrosse team at Timpanogos High School in 2012 (a team composed of students from Mountain View, Orem, and Timpanogos because there weren’t enough players from any one of the schools alone to field a whole team). This team won the Division 2 Lacrosse State Championship. She loved the competition. Penny was the Senior Class President and a member of “Bruin Crew” (a student service organization) at Mountain View High.

Penny loves to work with people and help them find and live their dreams. She has worked in the food industry and retail, but her favorite job was for Alysse’s Bridal & Formal in Provo, Utah. She was a Bridal Consultant and also one of the store “buyers” for the formal wear sold by Alysse’s.

Penny is studying Communications with an emphasis in Applied Leadership at Dixie State. She loves DSU because it is a place where you can blaze trails to your dreams and live them. She loves the great leadership spirit. Penny got involved on campus as the administrative assistant to the vice president of student life. Most recently, before becoming student body president, she served as the vice president of service for DSUSA. Stop by Penny’s office in the Gardner Student Center and say “hello”. She loves meeting new people and wants to hear your ideas for making Dixie even greater than it already is!

**Commissioner’s Recommendation**

The Commissioner recommends the Board of Higher Education formally appoint the following new audit committee members recommended by five institution boards of trustees:

**Dixie State University**

Danny Ipson

Mitch Cloward

Penny Mills
November 19, 2021

Transition of Clock-Hour to Credit-Hour Programs

As part of the strategic plan, the Utah Board of Higher Education approved the transition of technical education programs from clock-hours to credit-hours. In July, the Board passed policy R474 Clock-Hour to Credit-Hour Transition to guide the process. Within the policy, section 4.2 states that each program’s transition to credit, including the delivery format, must be approved by the Board. This approval is required by:

- the Council on Occupational Education (COE), the agency that accredits the technical colleges;
- the U.S. Department of Education (financial aid eligible programs)

Section 4.3 of the policy states that institutions shall submit applications for approval of the clock-hour to credit-hour conversion by the accrediting body through the Office of the Commissioner (OCHE) following a prescribed schedule.

Technical colleges submitted applications for the first designated group of programs (those less than 600 clock-hours in length) to the OCHE. Following approval, the OCHE will submit the applications to the COE for approval.

By submitting applications through the OCHE, the total cost of transition is reduced from about $200K to $25K (from $500 per program to about $75). Based on the number of programs offered by each institution, technical colleges will reimburse the system office.

Because technical colleges offer certificates only, institutions must retain both clock-hours and credit-hours in the student information system. Once the transition of all programs is complete, credit-hours will be used in publications and articulation agreements. Credit will be an automatically calculated field in the student information system using a formula provided by the U.S. Department of Education. There will be some flexibility on implementation.

Commissioner’s Recommendation
The Commissioner recommends approval of the transition of the programs included in the attachment from clock-hours to credit-hours.

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November 19, 2021

Custom Fit Report – FY 2021

Custom Fit is a state investment with industry in Utah’s economic vitality and workforce development. It provides and supports training designed to aid in retention and expansion of Utah companies, attract new businesses to the state, and meet employers’ specific educational needs. Custom Fit accomplishes this through jointly-funded partnerships between Utah companies and Utah System of Higher Education institutions.

In accordance with Policy R432-8.3 (Custom Fit – Annual Report), the eleven technical education institutions have submitted reports detailing Custom Fit activity for Fiscal Year 2021. The attached report summarizes the institution reports and reflects statewide Custom Fit activity.

As provided in the policy, the Technical Education Committee reviewed the report in its October 2021 meeting, and has forwarded it herewith to the Committee of the Whole.

Attachment
# Custom Fit Report for the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2021

## Program Report

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## Financial Report

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*SLCC CF appropriation has been carried through regular institution E&G line item. Institution provides additional funding for salaries and benefits.
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R582-2 References

2.1 Utah Code 53B-1-104(12) (Membership of the Board: Compensation)
2.2 Utah Code 53B-2-104(9) (Memberships of Boards of Trustees: Compensation)
2.3 Utah Code 53B-12-101(9) (Utah Higher Education Assistance Authority Designated)
2.4 Utah Code 53B-12-102(2) (UHEAA Board of Directors)
2.5 Utah Code 63A-3-106 (Per Diem Rates for State Officers and Employees)
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R120, Board of Higher Education Bylaws

R609-1 Purpose: To provide bylaws for the Board of Higher Education that will govern how the Board administers the Utah System of Higher Education and conducts regular Board business.

R-609-2 References

2.1 Title 53B, Chapter 1, Section 403, Committees
2.2 Title 53B, Chapter 1, Section 404, Membership of the Board
2.3 Title 53B, Chapter 1, Section 501, Initial Board Membership

R609-3 Bylaws

3.1 Offices: The principal office of the Board shall be located at the Utah Board of Higher Education Building, The Gateway, 60 South 400 West, Salt Lake City, Utah. The Board may have such other offices as the Board may designate or as the business of the Board may from time to time require.

3.2 General Powers: Under 53B-1-402, the Board is vested with the power to govern the Utah System of Higher Education. The Board shall address all issues requiring its action in a properly convened meeting. The Board may adopt rules and regulations to govern the conduct of its meetings, to manage the Board and to manage and supervise the Utah System of Higher Education, in accordance with these bylaws and the laws of this State.

3.3 Board Members. The Board shall consist of 18 members who are residents of the state and appointed by the governor with the advice and consent of the Senate. Two of the members shall be student members, one individual who is enrolled in a certificate program at a technical college at the time of the appointment one individual who is a fully matriculated student enrolled in a degree-granting institution. Except as provided in 53B-1-501, the Governor shall appoint Board members to six-year staggered terms, each of which begins on July 1 of the year of appointment. The Governor shall appoint student members to a one-year term. Each member shall hold office until his or her successor has been chosen and qualified.

3.3.1 Oath of Office: A member shall take the official oath of office before entering upon the duties of office. The oath shall be filed with the Division of Archives and Records Services.

3.3.2 Simultaneous Service on Institutions’ Boards of Trustees: An individual may not serve simultaneously on the Board and on an institution’s board of trustees.

3.3.3 Consecutive Terms: Unless otherwise provided in 53B-1-501, the Governor may appoint a member to a second consecutive full term without a recommendation from the nominating committee. Members who filled the unexpired term that resulted from the vacancy of a member may be appointed to serve up to one consecutive full term thereafter. Student members may not serve more than one full term.

3.3.4 Vacancies: A vacancy in the Board occurring before the expiration of a member’s full term shall be immediately filled through the nomination and appointment processes described in 53B-1-404 and 406. An individual appointed to fill a vacancy shall be appointed to serve for the remainder of the unexpired term.

3.3.5 Removal of Board Members: The governor may remove a member of the board for cause after consulting with the president of the Senate.

3.3.6 Resignation: A member of the Board may resign at any time by giving written notice to the Board’s chair or secretary. Unless otherwise specified in the notice, the resignation shall take effect upon receipt.

3.3.7 Compensation: A member of the Board shall receive a daily salary for each calendar day that the member attends a Board or Committee meeting as provided by statute. A member may also receive per diem and travel expenses as allowed by Section 53B-1-404(15).

3.4 Regular Meetings: The Board shall meet regularly at a time and place it shall determine. The Board may also meet, in full or executive session, at the request of the chair, the commissioner, or at least six members of the Board.

3.4.1 Special Meetings: The Board may convene a special meeting, in full or executive session, when called by the Board chair, the commissioner, or by request of six Board members. The chair or commissioner may designate the location or method for holding any special meeting.

3.5 Notice
3.5.1 Notice to Members of Board: The Board secretary shall notify Board members and institutional presidents of the time and place of regular meetings of the Board at least seven days prior to the meeting, together with an agenda explaining the nature of the business to be acted upon. The Board secretary may provide shorter notice for special meetings.

3.5.2 Notice to the Public: The Board and Executive Committee—when taking action on behalf of the Board in accordance with Section 3.9.6—shall give public notice of their meetings as required by Section 52-4-202 of the Open and Public Meetings Act.

3.6 Quorum: The Board must have a quorum to take action. A quorum consists of 10 members. A quorum of any committee of the Board shall consist of a majority of its members. If less than a quorum is present at the time and place for any such meeting called, the Board or committee meeting may be adjourned without further notice.

3.7 Conducting Board Business

3.7.1 Agenda and Regular Order of Business: The Board chair and the commissioner shall set the agenda for Board meetings in consultation with the Executive Committee. The official agenda shall constitute the principal business at regular meetings of the Board.

3.7.2 Categories of Agenda Items: The Board’s business shall be listed in the agenda within the following categories:

3.7.2.1 Action Items: Items that are recommended for action and that require full discussion by the Board.

3.7.2.2 Consent Calendar: Items that are recommended for action and that have been fully discussed by a committee and do not require discussion by the full Board.

3.7.2.3 Information Items: Items that are not recommended for action, but are for information, such as presentation of institutional reports by heads of institutions and other items for informational purposes.

3.7.3 Consent Calendar: The Board may act on items in the Consent Calendar by voting on items either as a group or as items individually. Any item listed upon the Consent Calendar may, by majority vote of the Board, be transferred to the Action Items at the same or a subsequent meeting and made be subject to full discussion and deliberation.
3.7.4 **Rules of Procedure**: The Board and its committees shall follow Robert’s Rules of Order in conducting all meetings.

3.7.5 **Open and Public Meetings Act**: The Board shall conduct its meetings in compliance with the Open and Public Meetings Act. If they Executive Committee intends to take action on behalf of the Board in accordance with Section 3.9.6, it shall conduct its meeting in compliance with the Open and Public Meetings Act.

3.7.6 **Voting**

3.7.6.1 **Recording of Votes**: Any member so requesting shall have her or his vote recorded in the minutes, or on request of any member the vote of each member shall be recorded.

3.7.6.2 **Proxy Voting**: Proxy voting shall not be permitted at meetings of the Board or the meetings of its committees.

3.8 **Board Officers and Staff**

3.8.1 The officers of the Board shall be a chair, a vice-chair or vice-chairs, and a secretary. The Board’s staff shall be the commissioner of higher education, an associate commissioner of academic education, an associate commissioner of technical education and other staff as the commissioner deems necessary.

3.8.2 **Appointment, Election and Term of Office**

3.8.2.1 **Chair and Vice-Chair(s)**: The Board shall elect a chair and up to two vice-chairs from among its members at its May/June meeting in each even numbered year. Beginning on the date of election, the chair and vice-chair(s) shall serve concurrently for two years and until their successors are chosen and qualified. A member may not serve more than two terms as chair.

3.8.2.2 **Secretary**: The Board shall appoint a full-time employee from the commissioner’s staff to serve as secretary at the Board’s discretion.

3.8.2.3 **Commissioner**: Upon approval by the governor and with the advice and consent of the Senate, the Board shall appoint a commissioner of higher education. The commissioner shall serve at the Board’s pleasure.

3.8.2.4 **Associate Commissioners**: The commissioner shall appoint, subject to approval by the Board, an associate commissioner of technical education and an associate commissioner of academic education. The commissioner may also appoint, without the
Board’s approval, other associate commissioners as needed. The associate commissioners shall serve at the commissioner’s pleasure.

3.8.3 Removal of Board Officers or Commissioner

3.8.3.1 Chair and Vice-Chair: The Board may remove a chair or vice-chair of the Board for cause.

3.8.3.2 Commissioner: The Board may terminate the commissioner. The Governor may terminate the commissioner, after consultation with the Board.

3.8.4 Vacancies: The Board may fill a vacancy in any Board office because of death, resignation, removal, disqualification or otherwise, according to the requirements of statutes and these bylaws, for the unexpired portion of the term.

3.8.5 Chair: The chair shall preside at all meetings of the Board and shall have such other duties, powers and responsibilities as directed by the Board or by these bylaws. In the absence of such specifications, the chair shall have the powers and authority and shall perform and discharge the duties of similar officers serving organizations with similar purposes and objectives as the Board.

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3.12.1 Official Pronouncements: The Board chair is the only member of the Board authorized to make official pronouncements for the Board, and then only as authorized by the Board. The commissioner as executive officer of the Board is authorized to speak for the Board and the Utah System of Higher Education with respect to any policy matters that have received the approval of the Board, and on administrative matters.

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3.13 Conflict of Interest

3.13.1 A potential conflict of interest is any direct and immediate interest or relationship, including financial interest exceeding $2,000, with persons or businesses regulated by or directly affected by decisions of the Board, or persons or organizations which may present requests or issues before the Board. The interest of a spouse or other members of the immediate family/household or the interest of any other person which is constructively controlled by the member is included.
3.13.2 Board members shall disclose potential conflicts of interest, in a signed written document provided by the Commissioner’s Office. In the event the Board is taking action that involves issues with which a Board member has a potential conflict, the Board member shall orally disclose the conflict during a regularly scheduled public meeting and abstain from participating in discussion or voting on the issue.

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3.14 Amendment of Bylaws: The Board may amend these bylaws at any regular meeting, provided that copies of any proposed amendments shall be submitted in writing to each member and to the commissioner at least seven days before the meeting at which they are to be proposed for vote.
R120, Board of Higher Education Bylaws

R609-1 Purpose: To provide bylaws for the Board of Higher Education that will govern how the Board administers the Utah System of Higher Education and conducts regular Board business.

R-609-2 References

2.1 Title 53B, Chapter 1, Section 403, Committees
2.2 Title 53B, Chapter 1, Section 404, Membership of the Board
2.3 Title 53B, Chapter 1, Section 501, Initial Board Membership

R609-3 Bylaws

3.1 Offices: The principal office of the Board shall be located at the Utah Board of Higher Education Building, The Gateway, 60 South 400 West, Salt Lake City, Utah. The Board may have such other offices as the Board may designate or as the business of the Board may from time to time require.

3.2 General Powers: Under 53B-1-402, the Board is vested with the power to govern the Utah System of Higher Education. The Board shall address all issues requiring its action in a properly convened meeting. The Board may adopt rules and regulations to govern the conduct of its meetings, to manage the Board and to manage and supervise the Utah System of Higher Education, in accordance with these bylaws and the laws of this State.

3.3 Board Members: The Board shall consist of 18 members who are residents of the state and appointed by the governor with the advice and consent of the Senate. Two of the members shall be student members, one individual who is enrolled in a certificate program at a technical college at the time of the appointment one individual who is a fully matriculated student enrolled in a degree-granting institution. Except as provided in 53B-1-501, the Governor shall appoint Board members to six-year staggered terms, each of which begins on July 1 of the year of appointment. The Governor shall appoint student members to a one-year term. Each member shall hold office until his or her successor has been chosen and qualified.

3.3.1 **Oath of Office:** A member shall take the official oath of office before entering upon the duties of office. The oath shall be filed with the Division of Archives and Records Services.

3.3.2 **Simultaneous Service on Institutions’ Boards of Trustees:** An individual may not serve simultaneously on the Board and on an institution’s board of trustees.

3.3.3 **Consecutive Terms:** Unless otherwise provided in 53B-1-501, the Governor may appoint a member to a second consecutive full term without a recommendation from the nominating committee. Members who filled the unexpired term that resulted from the vacancy of a member may be appointed to serve up to one consecutive full term thereafter. Student members may not serve more than one full term.

3.3.4 **Vacancies:** A vacancy in the Board occurring before the expiration of a member’s full term shall be immediately filled through the nomination and appointment processes described in 53B-1-404 and 406. An individual appointed to fill a vacancy shall be appointed to serve for the remainder of the unexpired term.

3.3.5 **Removal of Board Members:** The governor may remove a member of the board for cause after consulting with the president of the Senate.

3.3.6 **Resignation:** A member of the Board may resign at any time by giving written notice to the Board’s chair or secretary. Unless otherwise specified in the notice, the resignation shall take effect upon receipt.

3.3.7 **Compensation:** A member of the Board shall receive a daily salary for each calendar day that the member attends a Board or Committee meeting as provided by statute. A member may also receive per diem and travel expenses as allowed by Section 53B-1-404(15).

3.4 **Regular Meetings:** The Board shall meet regularly at a time and place it shall determine. The Board may also meet, in full or executive session, at the request of the chair, the commissioner, or at least six members of the Board.

3.4.1 **Special Meetings:** The Board may convene a special meeting, in full or executive session, when called by the Board chair, the commissioner, or by request of six Board members. The chair or commissioner may designate the location or method for holding any special meeting.

3.5 **Notice**
3.5.1 Notice to Members of Board: The Board secretary shall notify Board members and institutional presidents of the time and place of regular meetings of the Board at least seven days prior to the meeting, together with an agenda explaining the nature of the business to be acted upon. The Board secretary may provide shorter notice for special meetings.

3.5.2 Notice to the Public: The Board and Executive Committee—when taking action on behalf of the Board in accordance with Section 3.9.6—shall give public notice of their meetings as required by Section 52-4-202 of the Open and Public Meetings Act.

3.6 Quorum: The Board must have a quorum to take action. A quorum consists of 10 members. A quorum of any committee of the Board shall consist of a majority of its members. If less than a quorum is present at the time and place for any such meeting called, the Board or committee meeting may be adjourned without further notice.

3.7 Conducting Board Business

3.7.1 Agenda and Regular Order of Business: The Board chair and the commissioner shall set the agenda for Board meetings in consultation with the Executive Committee. The official agenda shall constitute the principal business at regular meetings of the Board.

3.7.2 Categories of Agenda Items: The Board’s business shall be listed in the agenda within the following categories:

3.7.2.1 Action Items: Items that are recommended for action and that require full discussion by the Board.

3.7.2.2 Consent Calendar: Items that are recommended for action and that have been fully discussed by a committee and do not require discussion by the full Board.

3.7.2.3 Information Items: Items that are not recommended for action, but are for information, such as presentation of institutional reports by heads of institutions and other items for informational purposes.

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