

**MINUTES OF MEETING  
UTAH STATE BOARD OF REGENTS  
DIXIE COLLEGE  
ST. GEORGE, UTAH  
MARCH 20, 1997**

Board Members Present

Kenneth G. Anderton, Chair  
Pamela J. Atkinson  
Aileen H. Clyde, Vice Chair  
Ian M. Cumming  
Douglas S. Foxley  
John B. Goddard  
W. Brett Graham  
Larzette G. Hale  
L. Brent Hoggan  
Karen H. Huntsman  
Evelyn B. Lee  
Clifford S. LeFevre  
Paul S. Rogers  
Jay B. Taggart  
Dale O Zabriskie

Board Members Excused

David J. Grant

Office of the Commissioner

Cecelia H. Foxley, Commissioner  
Don A. Carpenter, Associate Commissioner for Planning and Facilities  
Dale C. Hatch, Associate Commissioner for Budget and Finance  
Chalmers Gail Norris, Associate Commissioner for Student Financial Aid  
Michael A. Petersen, Associate Commissioner for Academic Affairs  
Joyce Cottrell CPS, Executive Secretary  
Patricia S. Crane, Assistant Commissioner for Government/Media Relations  
Harden R. Eyring, Executive Assistant  
Lou Jean Flint, Academic Affairs Officer  
Jerry H. Fullmer, Director of Information Technology  
Jeffrey Hoyt, Research Analyst  
Max S. Lowe, Assistant Commissioner for Applied Technology Education  
Beth Ann Petrakis, Applied Technology Education Specialist  
Whitney J. Pugh, Budget Analyst  
Phyllis C. Safman, Assistant Commissioner for Academic Affairs  
Norman C. Tarbox, Assistant Commissioner for Student Financial Aid

INSTITUTIONAL REPRESENTATIVES

University of Utah

Jerilyn S. McIntyre, Interim President  
Thomas G. Nycum, Vice President for Administrative Services  
David W. Pershing, Acting Vice President for Academic Affairs  
Anthony Morgan, Vice President for Budget and Planning  
Richard G. Weigel, Interim Vice President for Student Affairs  
Raymond A. Haeckel, Director of Government and Community Relations  
Melissa Galbraith, *Chronicle*  
Eva Michelle Hunter, Student

Utah State University

George H. Emert, President  
G. Jay Gogue, Provost

Fred R. Hunsaker, Vice President for Administrative Affairs  
Patricia S. Terrell, Vice President for Student Services  
C. Blythe Ahlstrom, Assistant Provost  
Lee H. Burke, Assistant to the President  
Tiffany Evans, Director of Student Activities  
Richard W. Jacobs, Budget Director  
Andrew Croshaw, Student Body President

#### Weber State University

David Eisler, Provost  
Ann F. Millner, Vice President for Community Partnerships  
Carol J. Berrey, Assistant to the President  
Carol V. Gaskill, Director, Budget and Institutional Research  
Tony W. Weight, Dean of Student Development

#### Southern Utah University

Gerald R. Sherratt, President  
Terry Alger, Provost  
Sterling R. Church, Vice President for Student Services  
Michael Richards, Vice President for University Affairs  
Gregory L. Stauffer, Vice President for Finance  
Dennis Klaus, Budget Director

#### Snow College

Gerald J. Day, President  
Larry J. Christensen, Vice President for Administration and Business Services  
Richard L. White, Vice President for Academic Affairs  
Rick Wheeler, Vice President for Student Affairs  
Gary A. Arnoldson, Controller

#### Dixie College

Robert C. Huddleston, President  
A. Scott Talbot, Assistant Controller  
Richard Van Ausdal, Dean of Business and Technology  
Gayle Whittle, Assistant Controller

#### College of Eastern Utah

Grace S. Jones, President  
Brent Haddock, Academic Vice President  
Raelene Allred, Vice President for Finance  
Karen K. Bliss, Dean of Institutional Advancement  
Gail Glover, Dean of Administrative Services, San Juan Center

#### Utah Valley State College

Kerry D. Romesburg, President  
Lucille Stoddard, Vice President for Academic Affairs  
Gilbert E. Cook, Vice President for College Relations  
Ryan L. Thomas, Vice President for Student Services and Campus Computing  
J. Karl Worthington, Associate Vice President for Academic Affairs  
Wesley M. Bitters, Professor and Department Chair, Business Management  
Jim Callison, Department Chair, Environmental Technology  
Ernest Carey, Associate Professor, CSIS  
Linda Makin, Budgets Associate Director  
Roger H. Plothow, Director, Center for Environmental Technology  
Douglas E. Warner, Executive Director, Budgets and Management Studies

Ian Wilson, Dean, School of Business  
Gary Wixom, Dean, School of Continuing Education  
D. Dee Martin, Student

Salt Lake Community College

Frank W. Budd, President  
Marjorie Carson, Vice President of Academic Services  
Judd D. Morgan, Vice President of Student Services  
Richard Rhodes, Vice President of Business Services

Others Present

Thomas C. Anderson, Office of the Attorney General  
Joe Costanzo, *Deseret News*  
Dan Egan, *Salt Lake Tribune*  
Stan Eckersley, Office of the Legislative Fiscal Analyst  
Boyd Garriott, Office of the Legislative Fiscal Analyst  
John Massey, Office of the Legislative Fiscal Analyst  
Marva Murvosh, St. George Spectrum  
David Steele, Co-Chair, Legislative Higher Education Appropriations Subcommittee  
Bradley A. Winn, Governor's Office of Planning and Budget

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Chair Kenneth G. Anderton called the meeting of the Utah State Board of Regents to order at 1:45 p.m. and extended his appreciation to President Huddleston and his fine staff for their welcome and their hospitality. He said the Board was very pleased to be in southern Utah for this meeting.

Chair Anderton thanked Dr. Corrine Hill, the Governor's Deputy for Education, for all of her efforts on behalf of education in Utah, particularly in higher education. Governor Leavitt has appointed Dr. Gary Carlston as his new Deputy for Education. Dr. Carlston is currently serving as Associate Dean in the College of Education at Utah State University. Chair Anderton said the Board looked forward to working with Dr. Carlston.

Report of the Commissioner

Commissioner Foxley thanked everyone for their thoughts and support during the recent passing of her husband. USHE Data Books were distributed to the Regents; the Presidents had already received their copies.

Review of 1997 Legislative Session

The Commissioner thanked the Presidents for the way they had worked together during the session in making difficult decisions. She thanked the Regents for their involvement with the Legislature. When Chair Anderton could not be there, Vice Chair Clyde did a wonderful job with the Regents' presentation to the committee. Other Regents attended legislative committee meetings as they were available. Commissioner Foxley expressed her appreciation to her staff and to the institutional legislative representatives for their superb job of tracking bills and working with individual legislators. She asked the legislative reps to stand and be recognized. The Commissioner said we had also received great support from the Governor's office during the session. She thanked Brad Winn, Corrine Hill, Lynne Koga, Charlie Johnson, and Governor Leavitt for their work on our behalf. She asked Boyd Garriott, Stan Eckersley and John Massey to stand while she expressed her appreciation to them for their efforts on behalf of higher education. She also thanked those institutional representatives who are also legislators. The Commissioner extended special appreciation to Harden Eyring and Patricia Crane of her staff for their work in closely tracking the bills and working with legislators.

Legislation Affecting Higher Education. Commissioner Foxley asked her Executive Assistant, Harden Eyring, to give a brief overview of some of the legislation which directly affected higher education (See Tab A-1). She explained that Governor Leavitt had allowed H.B. 18 to go into law without his signature. Regent Clyde offered a motion, suggested by Fred Hunsaker, that in the event of a deficiency in debt service reserve funds for payment

of principal or interest on higher education revenue bonds, the State Board of Regents will take all measures available to it to satisfy such deficiency without referring the matter to the Governor, including causing the institution to reprogram any available institutional funds to meet the deficiency. Only after all such possible measures and reprogramming have been done and are insufficient to correct the deficiency will the Regents certify amounts required to restore debt service reserve funds to meet projected shortfalls of payment of principal or interest on higher education revenue bonds to the Governor and Legislature for their consideration. Regent LeFevre seconded the motion. Vote was taken, and the motion passed unanimously.

Capital Facilities Funding. The Commissioner asked Associate Commissioner Carpenter to present a brief overview of the capital facilities projects which were funded by the Legislature. Dr. Carpenter said we were very pleased that all of the first package of projects were funded this year. In addition, the Legislature granted funding for a Davis County land bank. Several non-state-funded projects were also approved for funding. (See Tab A-2 of the agenda materials.)

1997-98 Operating Budget Summary. Higher education was appropriated \$19.3 million in additional state tax funds for ongoing operational funds, which is the lowest percentage of the total budget in the last decade. This represents an all-time low of 15.7% of state tax funds. Commissioner Foxley said we need to tell our neighbors, friends and associates to communicate to their legislators that if education is not funded at the required level, Utah will not be able to maintain the same standard of living, especially in the area of economic development.

Commissioner Foxley thanked Senator David Steele and Representative Afton Bradshaw, Co-Chairs of the Legislative Higher Education Appropriations Subcommittee. She introduced Senator Steele and invited him to address the group.

Senator Steele extended his appreciation to the Commissioner, the Presidents, and institutional representatives for their hard work in non-committee times during the session. Senator Steele gave a slide presentation which dealt with educational partnerships. He said there were several links to these partnerships — Do they pass the "so what?" test? Do they provide lifelong education and credit? Do they have a shared database? He recommended sharing an "executive summary" of Regents meetings to the Legislative Education Interim Committee, and they in turn will share summaries of their meetings with the Board of Regents.

The Senator told the Regents theirs was a challenging job. He told of a meeting with Legislative Leadership which they classified as a "save the University of Utah" meeting. Senator Steele stressed that the system is more than the University, and its outcomes involve more than just the University. Perspective needs to be changed. This relates to the Regents' role and visibility and how they represent the system.

Senator Steele said his hat was off to the presidents. He was very pleased to listen to their comments and presentations and with their willingness to share information.

Another link to these partnerships is the visibility of the Regents. Senator Steele said, "The system is under attack." We must be able to justify our budget request by being prepared to answer the basic questions of what, when, how, and who?

Tracking students' progress is key to the legislature. Urgent student support, job preparation and training, subsequent tracking and reporting are essential.

Coordination of services is another important link. This involves schools, teachers, businesses, the Department of Workforce Services, preservice and inservice. Senator Steele said this would especially be important in the conversion to the semester system as public education counsels students in preparation for their entry into the higher education system. The Legislators still believe it is vital that we prepare people for jobs. He said we need to continually ask ourselves if we are preparing our students to meet the needs of the community when they leave the institutions.

Senator Steele said as Vice Chair of the Education Commission of the States (ECS) he meets regularly with people from the United States and brings the information he gains from those meetings back to Utah. People are interested in what is going on in education in Utah. We are moving aggressively and other states are taking notice. We just need to partner with greater success.

The Senator thanked everyone for inviting him to be a part of the meeting and again extended his compliments for the excellent work the system is doing.

Commissioner Foxley thanked Senator Steele for his remarks.

### Tuition-Compensation Issues, Proposed Tuition and Fee Schedules

The Commissioner referred the Board to the supplement to Tab B in the Regents' folders. She said as a Board the Regents have been increasingly concerned about the rising cost of tuition and the possibility of pricing students out of the opportunity for a college experience. The Board chose last year to hold tuition constant. A study by the Legislative Fiscal Analyst showed that community college tuitions are disproportionately high when compared with the surrounding states. Yet despite that study, Legislative Leadership agreed, before the session started, that one-fourth of the compensation increases for higher education would be funded from within the system through tuition increases. We were hopeful up until the last moment that this position would be changed and compensation for higher education would be fully covered out of the general fund. The system is now facing the difficult decision of funding that shortfall. The dilemma is whether to raise tuition or ask the institutions to find revenues internally to add to the state's allocation so that our faculty and staff can have a 3% compensation increase, as will all other state employees. Health benefits are another issue. All state employees had increases of 6% covered. Six of our institutions will have about a 5% increase. SUU anticipates a 15% increase in health benefits; USU and CEU are facing a 10% increase. Legislative Leadership was asked for help in funding our health and dental benefit increases, but they declined. In order to give our employees a 3% increase in compensation and cover the increases in health and dental benefits, we must decide between a tuition increase, not compensating our hard-working staff and faculty, or cutting existing programs.

The Regents previously approved a 2% increase to UU and USU students, with those funds to be applied to libraries. The Legislature did not approve that plan. The option which appears to be most equitable and comes closest to being able to provide a 3% compensation increase is a 3.8% increase in tuition. The Commissioner stated this is a difficult decision when the Board has been concerned about keeping a college education affordable for students. Yet we want to recognize faculty and staff for their many contributions and not lose them because our compensation is not competitive.

Chair Anderton stressed that anything that is done in this meeting should be done with clarity that the intent is to address the problem for this year, with the understanding that we intend to explore various other options to fund compensation in future years. He said, "We have tried very hard to hold the line on tuition, but we must also find a way to fairly compensate our people."

Regent Atkinson agreed that faculty and staff deserve an increase, and that benefits must be addressed. However, she said she was concerned that this is being funded on the backs of the students, especially those who are barely making it. She works closely with low-income families, and many of them may have to drop out of school to provide for their families. She said she feared this would also lengthen the time it takes students to graduate, rather than speed the process. She recommended that if this passes, we track the number of students who are lost to the system because they could no longer afford to pay the tuition and fees.

President Emert said this was a difficult problem for the Presidents. Each president had significant dialogue with the students regarding this proposal. The Legislature had determined that faculty and staff would be given a 3% compensation increase, but did not allocate funding to cover it. Students recognize this circumstance and have been very supportive of the recommendation to increase tuition. President Emert said we need to recognize the balance between state appropriations and what our students pay. The Legislative Executive Appropriations Committee has requested alternatives to address this question. Nearly 80% of USU students who do not return after their freshman year say it is because of financial inability to return. He expressed the hope that the Presidents and Regents can come together with alternatives for the Executive Appropriations Committee.

Regent Zabriskie said it does not matter whether or not we intend this to be a precedent; if we do this, it will become a precedent. The impact of a college education can affect an entire family. He said he would be voting on the side of the students.

President Romesburg encouraged the Board to support the Commissioner's recommendation of a 3.8% tuition increase. It would do an incredible disservice to our employees if we treat them differently than other state employees by giving

them less than a 3% increase. At the same time, this Legislature, who so very strongly opposed raising taxes, have singled out the students and imposed a heavy taxation increase on them. While he found this deplorable, he still encouraged the Board to adopt the increase.

President Sherratt said each year SUU has taken as much money as possible out of institutional funds to supplement the Legislature's allocation. This year there will be a 15% increase in SUU's benefits package. It may be possible to reduce it somewhat to 12%. Even with a 3.8% increase in tuition and a reduction in the benefits package, SUU will not be able to give a 3% increase to its faculty and staff. He said the institution has been working for seven years to bolster the compensation package, but there is nothing left.

Regent Foxley said for ten of the past eleven years, he has reluctantly voted for increases in student tuition. He said he agreed with President Romesburg that the situation is deplorable. The state has worked hard to prevent tax increases for the past five years, but the "user fee" in this case is too high. He stated his intention to vote in opposition to this motion, because we need to send a strong signal.

Commissioner Foxley stressed that some institutions already have experienced sizeable budget cuts because their enrollments are down. Not only would employees at those institutions not get a fair increase, but there may be cuts in salaries and positions. She agreed that we all want to send a signal, but it would be to the detriment of those who are carrying on the work of the institutions. They are teaching more courses and spending more hours with students to help them get through the system quicker. We sent a signal throughout the session, but she said she was not sure the Legislature would listen if our faculty and staff rose up in protest.

Regent Cumming questioned the second paragraph on page 2 of the Commissioner's cover letter regarding the Legislature's approval of a 3% compensation increase for all state employees. The Commissioner clarified that this meant an increase for all state employees except for higher education. President Emert asked Boyd Garriott, of the Legislative Fiscal Analyst's staff, if there was intent language that we had to give a 3% compensation increase to our employees. Mr. Garriott said the Legislature approved a 3% increase in compensation; funding was a different issue. Other state agencies' funding was also reduced based on dedicated credits. He agreed that perhaps the amount required of higher education was different.

Commissioner Foxley asked Associate Commissioner Dale Hatch to respond to Mr. Garriott's remarks. Dr. Hatch said rate increases were not approved for other state agencies to help fund compensation. Other agencies have other revenue expectations. Much of this comes from higher federal contributions. Regarding benefits, public education received a 3% increase in the WPU, which funds a 3% increase in salaries and benefits, and 3% for health and dental benefits increases. As the session began, we were told that higher education was being treated equally and fairly because public employees were not receiving funding for health insurance (no increase in the cost of health and dental benefits had been requested). However, later in the session, the Legislature was notified that the Public Employees Health Plan (PEHP) required a 6% increase in premiums. The Legislature dealt with this issue and passed intent language that said a 6% increase in health premiums for state employees would be covered for 1997-98 out of reserves in that program. The intent statement also indicated that in future years that premium would be covered by a base adjustment.

Regent Cumming said there appeared to be two classes of state employees — higher education and everyone else, and if we want our employees to be first class, we must get the money from our students. "This is an outrage," he said.

Regent Graham said when we have budget cuts, tuition is increased, then fewer students enroll, resulting in increased budget cuts, and so on. A precedent was set when the students agreed last year to forego funding for urgent student support. He reminded the Board that urgent student support was not funded again this year. He said the Legislature has put the Board in an unconscionable position. The Legislature should have made this decision and instead they have put it on the backs of the students. Regent Graham said he would also vote against this recommendation. He stressed that it would be a vote for students, rather than against faculty and staff.

In response to Regent Graham's comment about lack of student input into this recommendation, Commissioner Foxley apologized for not contacting him personally, due to the personal circumstances in her family. She said each president had visited with their student leaders when she had been unable to meet with them as a group. As much as students do not like these increases, they recognize that this means survival for the institutions now and they have indicated their willingness for a tuition increase at this time.

President Budd said this was one of the most difficult decisions he has been forced to make since he became President of Salt Lake Community College. First was the surcharge for one year. The Presidents have discussed and debated the current proposal and agree that this increase is needed. About 21,000 students attend SLCC, with an elected student leadership. President Budd said he cannot predict the students' reaction to a tuition increase. Members of student leadership understand and support this dilemma, but they are not happy about it. He said he was fearful that signals are not received by the people to whom they are intended. When you take out all the things that must be deducted, a 3% total increase package sometimes results in less than a 1% increase in net salaries. SLCC has another concern which will disproportionately strike the University of Utah and Salt Lake Community College, and that is the major freeway construction planned for I-15. SLCC is a commuter campus institution. We do not know what impact the highway construction will have on our enrollments. We need students, and we cannot place the majority of the students out in little centers around the valley. SLCC is an equipment-intensive operation. He urged the Board to adopt this recommendation in the offensive situation we are facing.

Regent Hale said we need some help in persuading the Legislature to take a second look at what they are doing to higher education. She said she would vote for the tuition increase because people need to be awakened about the mistaken value the Legislature seems to have for higher education. She said, "As a Board we alone cannot persuade them to take into account what must be done for these institutions to be viable. The parents and students should help persuade the Legislature. The voters must persuade the Legislators to help their children." She pointed out that it takes 20-30 years to build an institution, but they can be ruined in four or five years by the kind of policies they adopt. She urged the parents of our students to do something about a better understanding of the needs of higher education.

Regent Rogers moved that the Board approve a 3.8% increase in tuition to help fund a 3% increase in faculty and staff salaries. Regent Clyde seconded the motion. Regent Rogers said there was no question that the Legislature has statutory authority for the budget and it has ramifications for the system, which places us in an awkward situation. We have indicated in the past that we do not agree with this, but we also must indicate our trust in our faculty and staff by acting as their collective guardian. We need to persuade our faculty, staff, and students to let their Legislators know how invaluable an education is to our citizens.

Regent Lee expressed her concern about H.B. 7, which she felt represented an inconsistency by waiving tuition for non-residents and yet forcing us to consider a necessary increase for our resident students whose families are already paying sizeable taxes. Commissioner Foxley clarified that H.B. 7 authorized the Regents to waive out-of-state tuition, but did not mandate it. Regent Lee asked, "Are we doing enough to manage our costs?" In six years our operating budget has increased by 63% due to greater enrollments and our need to hire additional faculty and staff. We have been concerned about this each year. We need to take a long-range look at these escalating costs, to see how well we are managing the costs and if there is anything we can do to make them more minimal, and then communicate that better to the Legislature. She agreed with Chair Anderton's comments about looking at cost management, funding formulas, etc., so this does not happen every year. Regent Lee indicated her support for the students this year.

Vice-Chair Clyde said the students would be most affected by this, and yet students most need the opportunities provided by higher education. She said she did not think a message would be sent to anyone, including our students, by voting against this increase. This is simply maintenance, which will hurt the wrong people. As a Regent, she said she felt she had no choice; the Board's first responsibility is to serve the system in a way that quality education can be received in the state of Utah. She said her vote in favor of the motion would not be a vote in opposition to students.

Regent Cumming asked about Utah tuitions in comparison with surrounding states. Chair Anderton said tuition at our community colleges was significantly higher; other institutions are slightly lower. Also, the per capita income in Utah is lower.

President McIntyre said she had spent time in conversations with student leaders about the lowest tuition increase the University of Utah students would endorse. Also, she has been dealing with very severe budget cuts. She said it would be very difficult to find the money, but she was willing to do that at 3.3%. It would be devastating, however, without the 3.8% increase. This would not be a new policy decision; tuition dollars have been allocated to salaries in the past. However, it is crucial for our salary increases. We would be sending a message to our staff and faculty that they are not at least comparable to other state employees if this is not approved. At the same time, she said we must weigh carefully this policy of funding part of the compensation package by tuition from students.

Regent Atkinson said our economy is booming because of the quality of our higher education and because of our students who are entering the labor force. Several Legislators have questioned her about work redesign, justifying every dollar we spend, productivity, etc. She said she did not feel we gave them the answers they required this year. Some of the Legislators feel that there is already enough money within the budgets to fund the health and dental benefits. She said we need to show the Legislature next year that we have looked at every position and every cost, and that it can all be justified.

Regent Zabriskie asked Associate Commissioner Norris how much money the average student borrowed. Mr. Norris said the average student loan was \$12,000 after four years.

Regent Taggart asserted that this should be recognized as a Legislative increase, not a Regents increase.

Vote was taken on the motion. The motion passed, with nine Regents voting in favor of the motion and five voting against it.

Regent Atkinson asked if the Board had looked at the possibility of negotiating with a health care insurance provider about a system package. President Sherratt said it would be very beneficial for the smaller institutions. The University of Utah and Utah State University are self-insured.

Regent Graham expressed his appreciation to the Board for being student advocates. He moved that a subcommittee be appointed to look into tuition. Commissioner Foxley said this would be part of a general task force exploring various approaches to funding higher education, included in the next agenda item.

### Proposed Planning Committees/Task Forces

The Commissioner briefly explained the various task forces and subcommittees which would be appointed: Faculty Teaching Loads, Funding Approaches/Formulae, Health and Dental Benefits, Higher Education Campaign, Privately Funded and State-Funded Facilities, and Review of Regents Policy R220. She expressed her appreciation to the Regents, Presidents and institutional representatives for their willingness to work on these groups.

The meeting adjourned to committees at 2:55 p.m. and reconvened at 4:20 p.m. to hear the reports of the Board committees.

## Reports of Board Committees

### *Program and Planning Committee*

Regents Policy R355: Planning, Funding and Delivery of Courses and Programs via Statewide Telecommunications Networks (Tab D). Chair LeFevre said this item had received considerable discussion in committee. Everyone agreed it was a good move. He moved, seconded by Regent Atkinson, that the policy be approved. The motion passed unanimously.

1995-96 Annual Program Reviews, Part II: University of Utah, Weber State University Progress Report. Regent LeFevre said there had been considerable discussion in committee about the report on the Sociology Department at the University of Utah. The committee recommended to add to the Commissioner's recommendation that the Regents indicated that they are appalled at the situation described in the report, that this concern is to be reported to the Department, and that the Regents expect to be updated at their June Regents meeting, with an expectation of an account of the progress that has been made up to this point with regard to this program. The committee also recommended that the program report for the Department of Mechanical Engineering be approved as commendable. With those changes, he moved approval of these reports. The motion was seconded by Regent Atkinson.

President McIntyre said the decision was made by administrators at the University to ask the Sociology Department to try to solve the problems within the department, so as not to hurt students by closing down the department abruptly. They were given due notice last spring, and have been directed to submit a strategic plan. At the end of another year, if



adequate progress has not been made, we will close the department. By then, students will have been given due notice that there may not be a Department of Sociology.

Regent Zabriskie expressed concern about the January 1999 deadline in the Commissioner's recommendation. Regent Atkinson said her motion to the committee was to approve the Commissioner's recommendation, ending with a period at "marginal," then adding the language read by Regent LeFevre. They had a strategic plan, which wasn't satisfactory, but it made some changes, and the progress report coming out at the end of Spring Quarter will be shared with us as to any progress which has been made.

Vote was taken on the motion to amend; the motion carried. Regent LeFevre then moved approval of the amended motion, seconded by Regent Clyde. The amended motion was approved unanimously.

Commissioner Foxley said this discussion showed how seriously the programs reviews are taken and how candid the institutions are with this information. It also indicates how problems are recognized and dealt with.

Weber State University — Request to Establish a Center for Automotive Science and Technology within the Department of Sales and Service Technology. Chair LeFevre said the committee supported this program (see Tab F) and recognized that it was good for the community and for business in the area. He moved approval of this request. Following a second by Regent Taggart, the motion was approved unanimously.

Utah Valley State College — Request to Offer Lineman Training Technology at Ogden- Weber Applied Technology Center. Chair LeFevre referred to Agenda Tab G and said this was an excellent opportunity to continue cooperation between public education and higher education. He moved approval of the request. The motion was seconded by Regent Taggart and Regent Hoggan and passed unanimously.

SBE-SBR Joint Liaison Committee Meeting, January 14, 1997. Chair LeFevre said Dr. Max Lowe had discussed the report found behind Agenda Tab H in committee. He invited questions from the Regents. Hearing none, he moved that the report be accepted. Following a second by Regent Taggart, the motion was approved unanimously.

Regents' Review of Two Program Proposals in Hospitality/Tourism and Hospitality Management from Southern Utah University and Utah Valley State College (Tab I). Chair LeFevre said that after discussion, the committee felt that their previous questions had been answered and supported moving this to action at the next meeting. He so moved, seconded by Regent Zabriskie. The motion passed unanimously.

Utah Valley State College — Associate of Applied Science Degree in Environmental Technology Management. Chair LeFevre referred to Agenda Tab J and said the committee had recommended that this item be moved to action in the May meeting. He so moved, seconded by Regent Atkinson. The motion passed unanimously.

Consent Calendar, Program and Planning Committee. Upon motion by Regent LeFevre and second by Regent Goddard, the Board approved the following items:

- a. University of Utah — Name change from the Department of Art to the Department of Art and Art History
- b. University of Utah — Add Minor in Art History in the College of Fine Arts
- c. University of Utah — Formalizing Existing Biological Chemistry Graduate Training Program
- d. Salt Lake Community College — Name Change from Ethnic Minority Health and Human Services Department to the Social Work Department

Chair Anderton thanked Chair LeFevre for his report.

### ***Finance and Facilities Committee***

Weber State University — Davis County Land Purchase. Chair Goddard called attention to the supplement to Tab L, which was placed in the Regents' folders. He pointed out the area in question on a map. There is a house between the land already purchased and the area of discussion, which the committee hopes to also be able to acquire. This purchase would provide an important second access to the campus from State Highway 193. This was recommended in a master plan for this site developed by a Design Workshop. Chair Goddard moved the purchase of this property, using funds appropriated to WSU for this purpose by the Utah Legislature. The motion was seconded by Regent Hoggan and approved unanimously.

Southern Utah University — Property Sale. Chair Goddard said the University had received an offer on 47 acres for the fully appraised value of \$220,000 (see Agenda Tab M), to be purchased over eight years. The committee was concerned that the buyer would request partial release of the best portion of the land after the initial payment. He moved approval of the sale of this property, with the following addition: "*There will be no partial releases until such time as the full purchase price is paid.*" President Sherratt said this may present a problem. The committee directed him to come back to them if a problem in fact occurs. The motion was seconded by Regent Hale and approved unanimously.

Dixie College — Campus Master Plan. Stating there had been no changes since the campus master plan was last approved, Chair Goddard moved its approval. The motion was seconded by Regent Hoggan and approved unanimously.

Student Financial Aid — Revision of Policy R605, Utah Centennial Opportunity Program for Education (UCOPE). Chair Goddard called attention to Agenda Tab O and said the revisions were on page 4 of this policy. The committee approved the changes, and he moved the Board's approval of them as well. Regent Hale seconded the motion, and it was approved unanimously.

Student Financial Aid — One-year Renewal of LPP Servicing Contract with EduServ Technologies, Inc. Regent Goddard called attention to Agenda Tab P and explained that a contract was entered into with UNIPAC in Denver following some problems LPP officers had experienced with EduServ. Now EduServ has improved its service, and this request would renew the contract with them for a one-year period. He moved approval of this action. Following a second by Regent Foxley, the Board approved it unanimously.

1996-97 Winter Term Enrollment Report and Updated Annualized Academic Year FTE Projections. This report (Agenda Tab Q) was given for information only and required no action. Total enrollment, both budget-related and self-supported, has increased over last year. Regent Goddard said he was happy to see the growth of programs which have become self-supporting.

Report of the Audit Review Subcommittee. Chair Goddard called attention to Agenda Tab R, and said the audits which had been approved were shown on the first page of the Commissioner's report, and the audits which were open for compliance revisions were shown on the second page of the report. This item was also for information only and required no action.

Student Financial Aid — Student Finance Subcommittee Report. Chair Goddard recommended that the Board read this report, found in Agenda Tab S, which was provided for information only.

Student Financial Aid — Status Report on Utah Educational Savings Plan Trust (Agenda Tab T). Chair Goddard said there are now 200 beneficiaries and over 100 participants in the UESP. It is intended that there be some advertising to promote the program in the near future.

Consent Calendar, Finance and Facilities Committee. Upon motion by Chair Goddard, and second by Regent Hoggan, the Board approved the following items:

- a. OCHE Investment Report
- b. Initial 1997-98 Work Programs
- c. Weber State University — Fuel and Power Reallocation

Chair Anderton thanked Chair Goddard for his report.

### General Consent Calendar

Upon motion by Regent LeFevre and second by Regent Clyde, the following items were approved on the General Consent Calendar:

- a. Minutes. Approval of the Minutes of the Meeting of the Utah State Board of Regents held January 24, 1997, at Salt Lake Community College in Salt Lake City, Utah.
- b. Grant Proposals. Approval to submit the following proposals:
  1. University of Utah — Center for Bioelectric Field Modeling, Simulation, and Visualization; \$1,407,141; Christopher Johnson, Principal Investigator.
  2. University of Utah — Structural Aspects of HIV-1 Assembly and Disassembly; \$1,221,544; Wesley I. Sundquist, Principal Investigator.
  3. University of Utah — Scor in Sudden Cardiac Death; \$1,313,751; Jay W. Mason, Principal Investigator.
  4. University of Utah — Use of Genetically Modified Skin to Treat Disease; \$1,414,832; Gerald G. Krueger, Principal Investigator.
  5. University of Utah — Conus Peptides and their Receptor Targets; \$1,299,958; Baldomero M. Olivera, Principal Investigator.
  6. Utah State University — Implementation Intelligent Transportation Systems for the 2002 Winter Olympics; \$6,900,000; William Grenney, Principal Investigator.
  7. Utah State University — Slow Inactivation of Sodium Channels; \$1,282,765; Peter Ruben, Principal Investigator.
  8. Utah State University — Task Plan/Proposal, ICTE Task One; \$1,410,552; Dave Burt, Principal Investigator.
  9. Utah State University — Cost Estimates for TARS Program Compression/ Expansion System; \$1,105,033; Neil Holt, Principal Investigator.
  10. Utah State University — International Cooperative Technology Experiments; \$50,674,163; David Burt, Principal Investigator.
  11. Utah State University — Strengthening Guyana's National Drainage and Irrigation Board and Implementing Policy Reforms; \$1,448,085; Herb Fullerton, Principal Investigator.
  12. Utah State University — MIFF; \$1,206,000; John Elwell, Principal Investigator.
  13. Utah State University — Inter-American Development Bank; \$1,448,083; Herbert H. Fullerton, Principal Investigator.
  14. Utah State University — National Aeronautics & Space Administration; \$1,206,000; John Elwell, Principal Investigator.
  15. Salt Lake Community College — Utah Small Business Development Center; \$603,044; Mike

Finnerty, Project Director.

16. Salt Lake Community College — Student Support Services; \$239,682; Barbara Burkart, Project Director.
  17. Salt Lake Community College — Utah Procurement Outreach Program; \$237,000; Mike Finnerty, Project Director.
  18. Salt Lake Community College — COPS; \$1,000,000; John Latkiewicz, Jim Hoffman and Mike Miskinis, Project Directors.
- c. Executive Session(s). Approval to hold an executive session or sessions in connection with the meeting of the State Board of Regents to be held May 1-2, 1997, to consider property transactions, personnel performance evaluations, litigation, and such other matters permitted by the Utah Open and Public Meetings Act.

### Recognitions

Commissioner Foxley recognized Jeff Holt, who will be leaving the Commissioner's Office to work for Utah Valley State College. Jeff has been working with Dale Hatch in the Finance and Facilities area. The Commissioner wished him well in his new opportunity. Jeff is in the process of completing a doctorate degree.

President Huddleston pointed out that Nolan Archibald, a graduate of Dixie College, had been selected as a recipient of an Outstanding Alumnus Award by the American Association of Community Colleges (AACC).

Chair Anderton noted the absence of President Thompson and extended the Board's sympathy on the recent passing of his mother.

Chair Anderton invited everyone to come back at 6:00 p.m. for dinner and entertainment. A television will be provided for those who want to watch the University of Utah play in the basketball tournament.

The meeting was adjourned at 4:45 p.m.

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Joyce Cottrell CPS  
Secretary to the Board of Regents