MINUTES OF MEETING
UTAH STATE BOARD OF REGENTS
SNOW COLLEGE
August 3, 2001

Regents Present
Charles E. Johnson, Chair
Pamela J. Atkinson, Vice Chair
Jerry C. Atkin
Daryl C. Barrett
David J. Grant
L. Brent Hoggan
Michael R. Jensen
Nolan E. Karras
E. George Mantes
John B. Norman, Jr.
Jed H. Pitcher
Sara V. Sinclair
Marlon O. Snow
Maria Sweeten

Regents Excused
James S. Jardine
David J. Jordan
Nolan E. Karras

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David Buhler, Associate Commissioner for Public Relations
Norm Tarbox, Associate Commissioner for Finance and Facilities
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Brad Mortensen, Director of Business and Finance
Phyllis C. Safman, Assistant Commissioner for Academic Affairs
Gary S. Wixom, Assistant Commissioner for Applied Technology Education and Special Projects

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David W. Pershing, Senior Vice President for Academic Affairs
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Jack N. Payne, Vice President for Cooperative Education and Continuing Education
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Carl Templin, Interim Provost

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Richard White, Vice President for Academic Affairs
Carl Holmes, Executive Vice President, Snow College South

Dixie State College
Robert C. Huddleston, President
Max H. Rose, Executive Vice President of Academics
William D. Fowler, Vice President, Student Services
Stanley J. Plewe, Vice President, Administration & Information Technology

College of Eastern Utah
Ryan L. Thomas, President
Raelene Allred, Vice President of Finance and Administrative Services
Mike King, Dean of Arts and Sciences

Utah Valley State College
Kerry D. Romesburg, President
Linda L. Makin, Budget Director
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Salt Lake Community College
H. Lynn Cundiff, President
Richard M. Rhodes, Vice President of Business Services

Representatives of the Media
Kirsten Stewart, Salt Lake Tribune
Twila Van Leer, Deseret News

Utah Student Association
Gaby Bradford, Salt Lake Community College
Mike Dawes, Salt Lake Community College
Khay Donangdara, Utah Valley State College
Carrie Flamm, Weber State University
Aaron Lee, College of Eastern Utah
Christa Nickas, College of Eastern Utah
Nicholas Paulk, University of Utah
Cherissa Smith, Utah State University
Swen Swenson, Utah Valley State College
Janeal Thornock, Brigham Young University
Andria Uale, Brigham Young University
Ray Walker, Utah Valley State College
Bryce Whittaker, Brigham Young University

Others Present
Race Davies, Governor’s Office of Planning and Budget
Boyd Garriott, Office of the Legislative Fiscal Analyst
David C. Jones, Office of the Attorney General
Vernon C. Rowley, Governor’s Deputy for Education
Kevin Walthers, Office of the Legislative Fiscal Analyst

Chair Johnson called the meeting to order at 9:10 a.m. He welcomed everyone and thanked President Wheeler and his staff for the great accommodations and their excellent hosting. He announced that the Board would be electing a new vice chair after the new Regents were introduced. Chair Johnson excused Regents Jardine, Jordan and Karras. He asked the new Regents to introduce themselves.

Introduction of New Regents

Jed Pitcher is currently the President and CEO of the Regence Group, a holding company for Regence Blue Cross-Blue Shield. He is also Chair of the Board of the Utah Group. He has served on the Westminster Board of Trustees and the USU Board of Trustees, including a term as chair of
the USU board. **Daryl Barrett** comes to the Board with over 35 years of experience in health, human services and education as a professional advocate and elected official. She looks forward to her service on the Board as a good opportunity to integrate those skills and bring them to higher education. **John Norman** jokingly said he had accumulated over 26 years of continued learning experience. He is a student at the University of Utah Law School and is serving an internship in the Attorney General’s Office. **Sara Sinclair** is CEO of the Sunshine Terrace Foundation in Logan. She also served on the USU Board of Trustees, and was Director of Health Systems Improvement with the State Department of Health. **Marlon Snow** said he grew up in the Uintah Basin and noted that Snow College had been named for his second great grandfather. He expressed his appreciation for the opportunity to serve on the Board of Regents.

Chair Johnson welcomed Representative Brad Winn and said Senator Leonard Blackham was expected later in the meeting.

**Recognition of Vernon C. Rowley**

Commissioner Foxley noted that Dr. Vernon (Con) Rowley had served for the past 13 years in the Governor’s Office, working with public education and higher education. Dr. Rowley will be retiring this month, and an open house is being held in his honor in the Governor’s Board Room on August 30. On behalf of the Board of Regents, Commissioner Foxley expressed her appreciation to Dr. Rowley for the opportunity to have worked with him.

**Administration of Oath of Office to New Regents**

Chair Johnson administered the Oath of Office to the following new Regents: Daryl C. Barrett, John B. Norman, Jr., Jed H. Pitcher, Sara V. Sinclair, and Marlon O. Snow. Regent Nolan E. Karras will be sworn in during his first Board meeting.

Commissioner Foxley noted that this was the first Board meeting that Ryan Thomas was attending in his capacity as the new President of the College of Eastern Utah. She welcomed him to the group.

**Election of Vice Chair**

Chair Johnson noted that experience had proved that although officers’ terms go from July 31 to June 30, it is more practical for the chair to be elected later in the year after the new Regents have had an opportunity to serve on the Board and get to know the other Regents. However, Regent Clyde’s term on the Board ended on June 30, leaving the office of Vice Chair vacant. Chair Johnson called for nominations to fill the vacant position. Regent Hoggan nominated Regent Atkinson to be the vice chair. The nomination was seconded by Regents Atkin and Sweeten. Hearing no further nominations, Chair Johnson declared nominations closed. Vote was taken, and Regent Atkinson was
elected Vice Chair by a unanimous vote of the Board. Chair Johnson offered his congratulations. Vice Chair Atkinson thanked the Board for their confidence.

Chair Johnson said that since Regent Atkinson had served as chair of the Academic and Applied Technology Education Committee, he would be announcing the reorganization of the Board and its committees at the conclusion of the morning meeting.

Discussion of the New Utah College of Applied Technology (UCAT)

Commissioner Foxley asked Assistant Commissioner Wixom to join the Regents at the table to participate in the discussion. She pointed out the colored organization chart for the new UCAT, Utah’s tenth public college which was created by the Legislature in special session on June 20. The legislation takes effect on September 1, so the search committee is moving ahead very quickly. Commissioner Foxley stated that it will be in the students’ best interests, regardless of their age or skill level, to have the new institution working collaboratively with the existing institutions of higher education under the oversight of the State Board of Regents. She introduced Dr. Wixom, Assistant Commissioner for Applied Technology Education and Extended Programs, who has been the key person in the Commissioner’s Office in coordinating the implementation of the new legislation.

Dr. Wixom briefly explained the Utah College of Applied Technology organization chart and the composition of the UCAT Board of Trustees and the regional boards. Members of the regional boards are being appointed, then the business and industry members will be nominated by business representatives throughout the state and at the local level. Input is being received within each region. It is expected that the regional boards will be organized and will be able to begin meeting shortly after the first of September. Many questions are being asked about the future of the UCAT, its offerings and degrees. Everyone is looking forward to getting the new college in place.

Regent Sweeten, Chair of the UCAT Presidential Search Committee, said the search was moving rapidly. Some outstanding applications have been received from inside and outside the state. The committee has had good discussions about the nature of the Utah College of Applied Technology and the necessary qualifications for its president, who will also be an associate commissioner with an office in the Commissioner’s Offices. The committee is on a fast track to find a president as quickly as possible.

Appointments to Regional Boards. Chair Johnson announced that Kim R. Burningham and Linnea S. Barney, members of the State Board of Education, will join the Board of Regents as non-voting members on September 1. In reciprocation, Vice Chair Pamela Atkinson and Regent David Jordan will be joining the State Board of Education as non-voting members. In addition, one Regent will be appointed to each regional board. Chair Johnson read those appointments, which are as follows: Uintah Basin, Daryl Barrett; Bridgerland, Sara Sinclair; Ogdan-Weber, Nolan Karras; Davis, John Norman; Southwest, Marlon Snow; Central, David Grant; Dixie, Kim Burningham; Southeast, Jed Pitcher; Mountainlands, Linnea Barney; Salt Lake/Tooele, Maria Sweeten. In
addition, the Regents will have two members to serve on the UCAT Board of Trustees. Chair Johnson announced that he and Vice Chair Atkinson will be serving on that board. He noted that the Legislature had created 14 new assignments for the Regents. He thanked the Board members for their willingness to add to their already busy schedules.

Commissioner Foxley said the new college and its structure have attracted national attention. Several other states are looking to do something similar, and they have downloaded the criteria and legislation from the USHE Web site. Earlier in the week, the Commissioner attended a meeting with her fellow SHEEOs (State Higher Education Executive Officers). One colleague said he had already submitted a recommendation to his board and legislative leadership to follow in this direction; however, they do not want the complexity of the additional (regional) boards. Commissioner Foxley said the new college would provide an excellent opportunity for students to learn skills for entering or re-entering the work force, or to take classes which will transition to other USHE institutions.

**USHE Master Plan**

Chair Johnson said each Board agenda would provide opportunity for the Regents to talk about the USHE Master Plan. One primary goal of Master Plan 2000 was to develop the ability to differentiate between the various institutions in order to allow students to align funding with various goals and to give them the ability to get through the System in a more orderly fashion. Another goal was developing a vehicle for getting more and better financial aid for the students. These goals are being realized through the development of a new Internet Web site.

**Demonstration of Internet Student Information/Advising System**

Commissioner Foxley said development of a Web site (www.adviseutah.org) was a collaborative effort between her staff and the USHE institutions. She asked Assistant Commissioner Phyllis (“Teddi”) Safman to demonstrate and explain the new Web site. Dr. Safman walked the Regents through the various options on the Web site and pointed out the changes and updates which had been made since the last demonstration to the Board. The domain name has been approved, and the public will be able to access the site on October 1. She noted that this information was not to take the place of an actual advisor for the students. All of the changes have been designed to make it easier for the students (and parents) to gain access to necessary information. The Transfer and Articulation Guide, which will be added in September, will help students learn how their courses transfer and what classes they need to take to prepare to transfer to another institution. All of the academic majors will also be listed.

The Web Site Advisory Committee has asked each institution to identify three individuals in each of the categories to take a survey which is located on the Web site and respond to five questions under the category into which they fall. The answers will be sent to Media Solutions, the designers of the Web site. After they analyze the data, the necessary changes will be made and the
Web site will be ready for the public. Institutions will be able to update their own information so that the site remains current. When the new Utah College of Applied Technology becomes operational, a link will also be added for that institution.

Commissioner Foxley thanked Assistant Commissioner Safman and said this would be a dynamic tool for high school and college students and their parents. Chair Johnson said the Web site was one of the top three most important projects resulting from the Master Plan 2000. He thanked Dr. Safman and the committee for their outstanding work. Regent Sinclair asked how the Web site would be advertised. Dr. Safman said the advisory committee was already discussing this issue. There will be an advertising campaign when the site is ready to go public.

Other Appointments

Vice President Fred Hunsaker introduced Jack Payne, USU’s new Vice President for Cooperative Extension and Continuing Education. Mr. Payne said he was an alumnus of Utah State University who just moved back to Utah from Missouri.

Before dismissing the Regents to their respective committees, Chair Johnson announced that if the committees finished their work prior to 11:30 a.m., the Committee of the Whole would reconvene before lunch. The meeting recessed at 10:00 a.m. Following meetings of the Board committees, the Committee of the Whole reconvened at 11:05 a.m.

Discussion of Budget Issues

Chair Johnson said it was necessary for the Regents to discuss “where we are” on budget issues during each Board meeting, particularly as those issues relate to the projected shortfall in the state budget revenues. In September the Legislative Fiscal Analysts should have a better idea of how this fiscal year ended and what projections will look like for next year. Chair Johnson asked each President to explain how his institution is handling this “cautious” period.

Salt Lake Community College. President Cundiff said SLCC has a $2 million hold-back. The College has put a number of positions on hold, with the hope that they can be filled later in the year. In addition, when employees are leaving, their positions are not immediately filled, saving salary dollars. College officials have also held back some technology projects with the hope that they can be implemented next semester. SLCC has a high percentage of part-time (adjunct) faculty. Positions for full-time faculty, staff, and administrators have been put on hold and replaced with part-time and adjunct employees. President Cundiff pointed out that in addition to the cost factor, a quality issue was also involved with heavier reliance on adjunct faculty.
Dixie State College. President Huddleston said he was holding back some one-time expenditures from excess tuition. Enrollment growth monies for current expense are also being held and money is being reallocated. The College has postponed filling faculty and staff positions. President Huddleston said the Legislature’s decision to fund only 78% of enrollment growth had made budgeting a painful issue for the Presidents.

College of Eastern Utah. President Thomas said CEU did not have excess tuition nor growth money. All of their savings are being realized by holding open positions, which means offices are severely understaffed.

Southern Utah University. President Bennion said SUU is taking smaller measures than the other institutions. University officials determined that they were not going to take money from the faculty. He said the first assignment of SUU’s new interim provost, Carl Templin, was to work on this problem and to come up with a solution. Savings can be made in the areas of current expense and capital. The University is not immediately filling staff positions. Officials are hoping this is only a budget hold-back instead of a true budget cut when budgets are already tight. He thanked his staff for being pro-active and productively meeting this challenge.

Utah State University. Vice President Hunsaker said USU administrators had gone to the departments and asked them to identify a 2% cut back, primarily by freezing positions which are already vacant and which become vacant when an employee leaves the institution. The University has some enrollment growth money, which will cover the other one-half percent.

Utah Valley State College. President Romesburg said at UVSC it is a budget reduction (although it has been labeled a hold-back) because the money is not being released. All departments have pooled all available and anticipated positions, and the departments have to go through a lengthy justification process to fill a position. The cut-back has eliminated the College’s contingency fund. Last year UVSC lost a chiller and covered its replacement through contingency funds. If this continues, the College will face major problems. President Romesburg said 86% of the UVSC institutional budget is for salaries and benefits.

University of Utah. Senior Vice President Pershing said this problem was severe for the entire institution and totaled $5.4 million. The University has implemented a 2% hold-back across the campus, and deans and directors are identifying areas to be held back from their respective departments. Vice President Pershing said he had no ability to hold back enrollment funds because the formula phases enrollment funds out to the deans. This is particularly hard because enrollment was not fully funded, and most institutions are growing this year. He cautioned that the faculty who have taken on extra students cannot continue to do so indefinitely.

Snow College. Vice President White said Snow has also had painful budget decisions to make. They are holding off on replacing staff positions. Year-end funds are being frozen. Should
this problem become ongoing, operating budgets will be studied. The College has some one-time money for technology which is also being held.

Weber State University. Vice President Simkins said Weber was still in the process of identifying specific items to be held back. They are trying to absorb the 1% centrally with one-time funds, as much of the money will probably come from tuition. The other 1½% has been allocated to the various divisions of the University. Each vice president or supervisor has had his/her share of the budget reduced proportionately. Administration feels that 1½% is manageable on a departmental scale.

Office of the Commissioner. Commissioner Foxley said the Commissioner’s budget is affected as well. In addition, 2½% of the flow-through money to the institutions is being held, including the Engineering and Technology Initiative money. This is a particularly difficult time, and we are expecting more growth next year. The trend in enrollment growth will not change. The Commissioner said it was a time for alarm, but not for panic. Regardless of what happens with the economy, higher education and other state agencies should not have to assume the entire burden.

Regent Grant pointed out that not every agency of state government had been asked to hold back 2½% of their budget. Public education has not been asked to hold back funding. Commissioner Foxley responded that the Governor did not have the ability to call for a hold-back on public education funds. Regent Grant suggested superintendents should be doing the same thing as the rest of the state agencies. He also pointed out the necessity for these funds to become non-lapsing. Chair Johnson said the law was changed a few years ago so that USHE funds automatically become non-lapsing.

Vice President Hunsaker pointed out that (after compensation) utilities were the second largest single cost factor for the institutions. The schools are taking the same 2½% hold-back on the state portion of the utilities at the same time utility expenses are increasing. USU has had a 26% increase in the cost of power since the first of the year.

Commissioner Foxley said our existing staff and faculty at all institutions carry a heavier burden because of the “hold back.” In the Commissioner’s Office, with already a small staff, the Academic Affairs Office has had a heavy overload since the resignation of Mike Petersen as Associate Commissioner. The Commissioner’s Office also does not have enrollment money to fall back on. Chair Johnson agreed the hold-back put the System in a perilous position.

After President Wheeler gave directions for luncheons, the Board recessed until 1:05 p.m. Regent Snow left following lunch and was not present for the afternoon session.
Report of the Commissioner

Legislative Higher Education Appropriations Subcommittee Meetings. Commissioner Foxley noted the Legislative Higher Education Appropriations Subcommittee would be meeting on August 22 at Utah State University, August 23 at the University of Utah, and August 24 at Utah Valley State College. The Subcommittee will hold three-hour meetings each morning, the major focus of which will be formula funding. The USHE Presidents will be in attendance at least one of the days, and Chair Johnson will be attending as his schedule permits. The Commissioner invited the Regents to attend the meeting in their respective areas if their schedules allow. This is a good way to get valuable information to the Legislators and to have Regents and Legislators become better acquainted.

Dixie Leavitt Presentation. At noon on August 16, Dixie Leavitt will be making a presentation in the White Memorial Chapel south of the Capitol. The presentation is sponsored by the State Historical Society and State Archives. During his long service in the Utah Legislature, Mr. Leavitt was a key sponsor of the legislation which formed the Utah System of Higher Education. His topic is “A Level Playing Field in Higher Education.” There is no charge for the presentation. Individuals planning to attend should bring their own lunch. Commissioner Foxley noted that Associate Commissioner Tarbox did his doctoral dissertation on the evolution of higher education in Utah up to the legislation of 1969.

Other Items of Interest. Commissioner Foxley called attention to the article from the Deseret News in the Regents’ folders regarding the success of Utah ATE students at the national level. Utah students won 18 gold medals, 16 silver medals, and 7 bronze medals. UVSC students finished in first or second place in 10 of the 72 individual and team events, the most of any four-year school. Weber was second highest, and SLCC students placed sixth. President Bennion pointed out that an SUU student, Patrick Thompson, will be the president next year of Skills USA (formerly VICA). President Romesburg noted that the competition involved high school and college students. Utah students won more medals than any state in the history of the competition. This announcement was met with warm applause.

Commissioner Foxley called attention to the presentation in the Regents’ folders about the student loan program. The presentation was made to the Utah Private Activity Bond Board the preceding day. The presentation contains valuable information about the background of the student financial aid programs and is an excellent overview.

Commissioner Foxley noted the presence of Senator Leonard Blackham and welcomed him to the meeting. Chair Johnson invited Senator Blackham to join the Regents at the table. He informed the Senator that during the morning session, 14 new assignments had been made to the Regents as a result of the UCAT legislation which Senator Blackham sponsored.
Remarks by Senator Blackham.  Senator Blackham said he appreciated the Board’s involvement and wished them well in undertaking this new responsibility. The Senator said he had been involved in discussions earlier in the week about what basic education meant to public education. That discussion caused him to reflect on the college courses he had taken. He concluded that training to prepare Utah’s citizens for entry or re-entry into the work force is a very important mission of higher education. He congratulated the new Regents and expressed his appreciation to the entire Board for their willingness to serve.

Chair Johnson asked Senator Blackham to comment on the budget short-fall. Senator Blackham responded that planning the state budget had definitely been more challenging than anticipated. He stated firmly that Utah will not be having a tax increase. He expressed his appreciation to the Presidents for the painful reallocation process they are undertaking at their institutions. Regent Grant asked that budget cuts be across the board so that higher education did not get a disproportionate share. Senator Blackham responded that, according to public opinion, public education should be fully funded. He commended the higher education system in Utah and said that in comparison with other states, higher education in Utah has been treated better than public education. Chair Johnson pointed out that this has resulted in a better educated work force and better employment opportunities.

Commissioner Foxley expressed her appreciation for Senator Blackham’s support of higher education and for his leadership. She noted that constructing buildings stimulates the economy. Now is a good time to bond while interest rates are low. She pointed out that higher education has a hold-back on some important capital projects and asked the Senator if the Legislature would consider bonding in the 2002 session. Senator Blackham said the issue would arise because there are few alternatives.

Senator Blackham thanked the Regents for coming to Ephraim. He expressed his appreciation to Snow College and the entire higher education system and commended Chair Johnson and Commissioner Foxley for the excellent jobs they were doing. He noted his concern with Senator Hillyard’s comment that every institution could not do everything. Senator Blackham was especially concerned about the Engineering and Technology Initiative. He agreed that specialization would help every institution excel in their areas of greatest strength.

Chair Johnson thanked Senator Blackham for his attendance and his remarks. Senator Blackham left the meeting.

Reports of Board Committees

Finance and Facilities

Snow College – Campus Master Plan (Tab F). Chair Hoggan said no changes had been made to Snow’s Master Plan in Ephraim since it was last reviewed by the Board. He noted that the
Richfield building is “coming out of the ground.” This project is a $20 million cooperative effort. **Chair Hoggan moved approval of the Campus Master Plan. The motion was seconded by Regent Grant and carried unanimously.**

**Proposed Revisions to Policy R562, Reporting of Summer School Revenues and Expenses (Tab G).** Chair Hoggan explained that the proposed revisions clarified the way higher education institutions will account for summer term in the future. Financial accounting for summer term will be done on a strict July 1-June 30 fiscal year basis. State budgeting for summer term will be done on an academic year basis, with summer term being the first term of the fiscal year. These changes have been made necessary by GASB 35. Accounting staff have met and have the mechanism in place to proceed with the changes, and the proposed revisions bring the policy into conformance. **Chair Hoggan moved approval of the changes to policy R562. The motion was seconded by Regent Pitcher and carried unanimously.**

**USHE Long-term Enrollment Projections (Tab H).** Chair Hoggan explained the tables following the Commissioner’s cover letter. The first page contained a summary of enrollment projections for the entire system, with projections taken in five-year intervals. Associate Commissioner Tarbox explained that enrollment projections are not used for requesting operating funds on an annual basis and are not part of the appropriations process. These projections are used for prioritizing capital facilities projects and other long-term planning issues. They form the foundation for the master planning process. **Chair Hoggan moved that the Board adopt the projections. The motion was seconded by Regent Mantes.**

Regent Grant said new data would be forthcoming based on the 2000 census. He asked if the projections would change based on these numbers. Dr. Tarbox replied that the census information may not be available before the end of the legislative session. He pointed out that changing numbers part-way through the process is neither easy nor practical. It was his opinion that the Board could use the proposed numbers for the next 12 months. **Vote was taken on the motion, which carried unanimously.**

**Southern Utah University – Status Report on Utah Shakespearean Festival Centre for the Performing Arts (Tab I).** Chair Hoggan said $60 million of private development funding will be used for the Centre, but construction will be on state-owned property, so it is appropriate that the Board be made aware of the project. A steering committee has been organized to deal with these issues. Regents Jensen, Atkin and Jordan will keep the Board informed as to what is happening in the design and subsequent phases of this project. There is a hope that some of the buildings could be completed by June 2004. President Bennion thanked the Regents for their participation in the project, along with the other individuals and entities involved. It was announced the previous week that the Utah Shakespearean Festival was the National Governors Association Arts Festival of the Year. Everyone applauded this announcement.
Information Technology Master Plan Update (Tab J). Associate Commissioner Tarbox said a direct state appropriation in the last legislative session provided an opportunity to look at the data processing systems of the institutions and to try and organize those processes to achieve system-wide functionalities and efficiencies. We will also be able to look at Web services and 24-hour access from a state level and determine which systems we can keep and which systems we should procure in an efficient manner. The steering committee has contracted with Arthur Andersen’s Higher Education Practice to help in this effort. Plans are to have a preliminary report to the Regents this fall.

2000-2001 Spring Semester and End-of-Year Enrollment Reports (Tab K). Chair Hoggan noted the updated figures in the Regents’ folders. The data were provided for information only.

Intercollegiate Athletics Revenues and Expenses (Tab L). Chair Hoggan said this report had also been presented for information only. He asked if there were any questions about the report. There were none.

Student Financial Aid – UHEAA Board of Directors Report (Tab M). Chair Hoggan said this information item spoke for itself. He moved adoption of the report. The motion was seconded by Regent Jensen and carried unanimously.

Consent Calendar, Finance and Facilities Committee (Tab N). Upon motion by Chair Hoggan and second by Regent Jensen, the following items were approved on the committee’s consent calendar:

1. OCHE Monthly Investment Report
2. UofU and USU Capital Facilities Delegation Reports
3. USHE Presidential Salaries
4. 2001-2002 Initial Work Program Revisions
5. 2001-2002 Budget Implementation Reports
6. 2001-2002 Appropriated Operating Budgets

Chair Johnson thanked Chair Hoggan for his excellent report.

Academic and Applied Technology Education Committee

Utah State University – Bachelor of Science and Bachelor of Arts Degrees in Accounting Information Systems (Tab A). Chair Atkinson said this proposal responded to the trends of having technical expertise in the field of accounting. It will prepare students for a variety of settings. The committee heard a presentation from the University. One additional faculty member will be needed in the Business Information Systems program. On behalf of the committee, Chair Atkinson moved approval of the proposed degree programs, contingent upon USU finding the money to begin the program. The motion was seconded by Regent Sweeten. Chair Atkinson noted the Regents had made it clear to the institution that some internal reallocation would be necessary. The
committee received some assurances that the University would be able to find the available funds through internal reallocation. Commissioner Foxley clarified that this was not a new program; the curriculum is already in place. Chair Atkinson noted that there were two other programs in the West (18 nationally) which have moved to this degree. Vote was taken on the motion, which carried unanimously.

Utah State University – Master of Family and Human Development (MFHD) Degree (Tab B). Chair Atkinson reminded the Regents that approval of masters degree programs require a two-thirds vote of the Board. There is already a degree at USU in Family and Human Development. This would be a satellite-based, non-thesis program. A cohort of 40 students will be required to begin each new program. There is a high level of interest in the MFHD degree, so the University felt getting the cohort would not be a problem. The program responds to the needs of students from throughout the state who want a non-thesis program. Many individuals are already in jobs which will require an advanced degree in the future. Chair Atkinson moved approval of the program. Regent Sweeten seconded the motion. Regent Jensen asked about the second cohort. Chair Atkinson said the first survey showed 101 students who were interested. Dr. Deanna Winn, Director of Accreditation/Program Reviews, said the University feels there will be adequate participation, particularly when the program has begun. The students who take this program will already be working in the field. Chair Atkinson added it was a distance education program which will require the students to come to the campus three times during the course of a year. The first cohort will be placed before the second cohort begins. Vote was taken by show of hands. The motion carried unanimously.

Utah Valley State College – Bachelor of Science Degree in Multimedia Communication Technology (Tab C). Chair Atkinson said this was a non-controversial proposal. There is strong student demand. The program will be funded with enrollment growth. There is a great emphasis on problem-solving as well as technology. During committee discussion, strong support was indicated from all of the other institutions. This is the only degree of its kind in the system, and it will enable students to obtain very good jobs. Chair Atkinson moved approval of the program. The motion was seconded by Regent Sweeten and carried unanimously.

Information Calendar, Academic and ATE Committee (Tab D). Chair Atkinson said the items on the Information Calendar involved name changes and creation of emphases. She directed the Regents’ attention to the two matrices which were developed by Linda Fife in response to the Regents’ request. The Programs Under Consideration/Development and Discontinued Programs sent with the agenda were during the period from January 1997 through August 2001. The additional material in the Regents’ folders covered the period of 1990 to 1996. In addition, Dixie and Weber have each discontinued two programs, and that information will be included in the next update. Regent Sweeten pointed out that this could be very valuable information to share with the legislators. Regent Grant asked that subsequent updates be presented in the format used in 1996. Commissioner Foxley said the more recent format showed specific programs. Regent Grant asked the following questions: What percentage of growth in existing programs does this indicate? Is the
rate of program expansion faster or slower than enrollment growth? Chair Atkinson agreed that this
would produce good comparative data.

Consent Calendar, Academic and ATE Committee (Tab E). The only item on the Consent
Calendar was changing the Master of Science Degree in Town and Regional Planning at Utah State
University to a Master of Science Degree in Bioregional Planning. Chair Atkinson said officials
from the University of Utah were very supportive of this change, and they may develop their own
program if there is a need. She recommended that representatives of this program collaborate with
Envision Utah, as both programs are instrumental in planning the future of the state. She noted
Governor Leavitt is the honorary chair of Envision Utah. That organization has received national
funding and national recognition. It would be valuable for the people involved in this degree to
work closely with that entity. Chair Atkinson moved approval of the Consent Calendar. The
motion was seconded by Regent Barrett and carried unanimously.

Chair Johnson thanked Regent Atkinson for her excellent report.

Vice Chair Atkinson said she had enjoyed chairing the Academic and Applied Technology
Education Committee. She enjoyed interacting with the Presidents and faculty members. She
applauded the Commissioner’s staff for their diligence in preparing this material for each meeting.
She said chairing the committee had been an educational experience, and she had appreciated the
Presidents’ call for a “heads up” on committee agenda items. Chair Johnson said Regent Atkinson’s
earlier election as Vice Chair of the Board was a recognition of her leadership with this committee
and USHE master planning task forces.

General Consent Calendar

On motion by Chair Hoggan and second by Regent Pitcher, the following items were
approved on the Board’s General Consent Calendar (Tab O):

A. Minutes – Approval of the Minutes of the Regular Meeting of the Utah State Board of
   Regents held June 1, 2001, at Utah State University in Logan, Utah.

B. Grant Proposals - Approval to submit the following proposals:

   1. University of Utah - Strengthening Families: Test Dosage and Core Elements, $2,020,986; Karol L. Kumpfer, Principal Investigator.

   2. University of Utah - Suffering and the Experience of Breast Cancer, $2,500,000; Richard C. Chapman, Principal Investigator.
3. University of Utah - Metabolic Causes and Treatment of Type 2 Diabetes in Youth, $2,672,639; Dana S. Hardin, Principal Investigator.

4. Cancer Imaging Equipment, $2,754,510; Stephen M. Prescott, Principal Investigator.

5. University of Utah - Virtual Laboratory Curriculum Units for Web-Based Genetics Education, $3,335,705; Dorothy S. Dart, Principal Investigator.


7. University of Utah - Progressive Chronic Renal Insufficiency and Associated Cardiovascular Risk, $4,394,951; Alfred K. Cheung, Principal Investigator.

8. University of Utah - Prevention of Photoreceptor Degeneration, $2,509,824; Raymond D. Lund, Principal Investigator.

9. University of Utah - Adolescent Family Life Demonstration Project, $2,188,296; Mark A. Pfitzner, Principal Investigator.

10. University of Utah - Diet and Somatic Mutations in Colon Cancer, $4,601,592; Martha L. Slattery, Principal Investigator.


12. University of Utah - Efficacy...Mometasone Furoate Dr Powder Inhaler in the Treatment of Patients with Chronic Obstructive Pulmonary Disease, $8,511,624; Richard E. Kanner, Principal Investigator.


15. University of Utah - Gene Expression of Vocal Fold Disorders, $3,520,407; Steven D. Gray, Principal Investigator.

17. University of Utah - High Risk Familial Colon Cancer - Genetics and Phenotype, $2,351,610; Randall W. Burt, Principal Investigator.

18. Utah State University - AFRL/Space and Missile Systems Center, $11,892,322; Steve Hansen, Principal Investigator.

19. Utah State University - Survey of Infrared Cosmic Evolution (SIRCE) Cryostat, $8,968,223; Scott Shick Principal Investigator.

20. Utah State University - Rocky Mountain Hazardous Substance Research Center, $4,000,000; Ronald C. Sims, Principal Investigator.

21. Utah State University - World Irrigation Information Network, $1,000,000; Wynn R. Walker, Principal Investigator.

22. Utah State University - FIRST (IIP), $2,389,357; Gail Bingham, Principal Investigator.

23. Utah State University - Prevention of Neglectful Behaviors: A Comparison of Attachment Focused on Non-Attachment Focused Interventions, $1,890,886; Mark S. Innocenti, Principal Investigator.

C. Proposed Revision to Policy R603, Terrell H. Bell Teaching Incentive Loan Program – Revise policy to conform with amendments to Utah Code Title 53B, Chapter 10, enacted by the 2001 Legislature.

D. Executive Session(s) — Approval to hold an executive session or sessions prior to or in connection with the meetings of the State Board of Regents to be held September 13-14, 2001, at Weber State University, to consider property transactions, personnel issues, litigation, and such other matters permitted by the Utah Open and Public Meetings Act.

Recognition of Student Body Presidents

Commissioner Foxley asked the student body presidents to stand and introduce themselves. She welcomed them and thanked them for their participation.

Assignment of Regents to Board Committees
Chair Johnson said former Regent Paul Rogers had previously served as vice chair of the Finance and Facilities Committee. He appointed Regent George Mantes to serve as vice chair of the committee. Regent Jardine will chair the Academic and Applied Technology Education Committee, and Regent Jordan will serve as vice chair. Chair Johnson noted the changes in Presidential Resource and Review Teams which were distributed to the Regents and Presidents. He pointed out the relationship between the Resource and Review Teams and the regional board assignments.

Adjournment

Chair Johnson thanked President Wheeler and his staff for being so helpful in making the Regents feel welcome.

The meeting was adjourned at 2:10 p.m.

Joyce Cottrell CPS
Executive Secretary

Date Approved