

STATE BOARD OF REGENTS MEETING
SALT LAKE COMMUNITY COLLEGE, REDWOOD CAMPUS
JANUARY 15, 2010

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Minutes

Regents Present

Jed H. Pitcher, Chair
Bonnie Jean Beesley, Vice Chair
Jerry C. Atkin
Brent L. Brown
Rosanita Cespedes
France A. Davis
Katharine B. Garff
Greg W. Haws
Meghan Holbrook
David J. Jordan
Nolan E. Karras
Jeffrey Kinsel
Robert S. Marquardt
Anthony W. Morgan
Carol Murphy
Jed H. Pitcher
William H. Prows
Teresa Theurer
Marlon O. Snow
John H. Zenger

Regents Excused

(None)

Office of the Commissioner

William H. Sederburg, Commissioner of Higher Education
David Buhler, Associate Commissioner for Public Affairs
Joyce Cottrell, Executive Secretary
Joseph Curtin, Director of Institutional Research and Analysis
Stephanie Davis, Assistant Commissioner for Administrative Services
David Feitz, Associate Commissioner and Executive Director, UHEAA
Jeremiah Hansen, Legislative Intern
Ralph Hardy, Assistant Commissioner for Facilities Management
Spencer Jenkins, Assistant Commissioner for Public Affairs
Melissa Miller Kincart, Assistant Commissioner for Outreach and Access
Cameron K. Martin, Associate Commissioner for Economic Development
Paul C. Morris, Assistant Commissioner for Budget and Planning
Phyllis C. Safman, Assistant Commissioner for Academic Affairs
Greg Stauffer, Associate Commissioner for Finance and Facilities
Joseph Watkins, Executive Director, Utah Student Association
Gary S. Wixom, Assistant Commissioner for Academic Affairs
INSTITUTIONAL REPRESENTATIVES

University of Utah

Michael K. Young, President
Paul T. Brinkman, Associate Vice President for Budget and Planning
Stephen H. Hess, Chief Information Officer
Laura Snow, Special Assistant to the President/Secretary to the University
Jeffrey West, Associate Vice President for Financial and Business Services

Utah State University

Stan L. Albrecht, President
Kent Clark, Director of Principal Gifts
David Cowley, Vice President for Business and Finance
Sydney Peterson, Chief of Staff

Weber State University

Michael Vaughan, Provost
Dr. Brad Mortensen, Vice President for Institutional Advancement

Southern Utah University

Michael T. Benson, President
Bradley J. Cook, Provost

Snow College

Marvin Dodge, Vice President of Finance and Administrative Services

Dixie State College

Stephen D. Nadauld, President
Donna Dillingham-Evans, Vice President of Academic Services
Victor Hasfurther, Dean of Sciences and Health
Donald Hinton, Dean of Arts and Letters

College of Eastern Utah

Mike King, Interim President
Greg Benson, Interim Vice President for Academic Affairs

Utah Valley University

Val Peterson, Vice President for Administration and Legislative Affairs
Mohammed El-Saidi, Associate Vice President for Academic Affairs
Linda Makin, Executive Director, Budget and Planning

Salt Lake Community College

Cynthia A. Bioteau, President
Dennis Klaus, Vice President of Business Services

Representatives of the Media

Kim Burgess, *The Herald-Journal*
Wendy Leonard, *Deseret News*
Brian Maffly, *Salt Lake Tribune*

Other Guests

David Asay, Utah Partnership for Education
Clark Baron, Utah College of Arts and Sciences
Mariah Brookman, Academy for Math, Engineering and Science/University of Utah
Al Church, Academy for Math, Engineering and Science
Annette Herman Harder, Swaner EcoCenter
Stephen Jolley, Itineris Early College High School
Christine Kearn, State Education Director
Juan Nuñez, Itineris Early College High School/University of Utah
Matthew Palfreyman, Utah Student Association
Spencer Pratt, Office of the Legislative Fiscal Analyst
Jason Stanger, InTech Collegiate
Anna Treviño, Utah College of Arts and Sciences
Julia S. Ventura, Utah College of Arts and Sciences
Jeff Williams, PSC

Following a breakfast meeting with the Salt Lake Community College Board of Trustees, the Board of Regents met in executive (closed) session to discuss the reports of the Resource and Review teams. The Board committees met after lunch. Chair Pitcher called to order the Committee of the Whole at 2:30 p.m. He excused Regent Atkin, who was out of town, and Regent Davis, who had to leave after the committee meetings. Chair Pitcher welcomed everyone to Salt Lake Community College.

Regent Holbrook referred to the February 2010 issue of Salt Lake magazine, which included Pastor France Davis in the listing of Utah's most influential people during the past 20 years. She led the Board in congratulating Regent Davis.

Report of the Commissioner

Commissioner Sederburg thanked President Bioteau and her staff for their gracious hospitality. He discussed economic development and the correlation between educational attainment and income. Utah continues to lag behind most other states and the national average. At the request of Chair Pitcher, the Commissioner explained how institutional core missions relate to the budget environment and their implications for the economy and workforce. Job-specific training is provided primarily by the community colleges and UCAT campuses, but Utah State University, Weber State University and Utah Valley University also offer programs in Career and Technology Education. All of the USHE institutions provide training in workforce development.

Utah's colleges and universities also provide opportunities for business leadership and entrepreneurial education. Applied research is done to some extent at most institutions, but primarily the graduate institutions, and basic research is a strong component of our research universities and USTAR.

The USHE colleges and universities have absorbed 24,000 new students during the latest recession, while holding down tuition as much as possible. Yet for each student, institutions receive approximately \$1300 less in state appropriations now than in 2008. Utah spends the fewest dollars (per four-year students) in the nation. Utah is efficient and has done an outstanding job in articulation and transferability of credits. A straw poll of institutional student service directors revealed that the average departmental budget had been cut by 10 percent in the current fiscal year and 33 positions had been eliminated. At the same time, more than 79,000 students had applied to USHE schools since 2007-2008. UHEAA has disbursed \$36 million in financial aid since 2004-2005 and granted 96,000 loans between July and December 2009. UHEAA has the lowest default rate in the nation.

In short, higher education has reached the tipping point. All of the budget cuts have consequences. Higher education supports the Governor's budget proposal, which would restore the latest cut to the institutions and replace this year's \$61 million cut with one-time funds. The Commissioner thanked the presidents for doing an outstanding job in responding to the budget cuts at a time of record enrollment increases. He asked some of the presidents to relate how the cuts had affected their respective campuses and to talk about how mission plays into the overall strategy of developing institutions.

Early College High Schools. Christine Kearl, the Governor's Education Director, told the Regents that Governor Herbert greatly appreciates the Board's support for his budget recommendation. Ms. Kearl said the early college high school was started when a representative of the Gates Foundation was visiting former Governor Michael O. Leavitt. That was at the same time as the 9/11 tragedy, so the group could not fly out of Salt Lake as originally intended. During their extended stay, they brainstormed about what could be done to spur the economy and education. The Utah Partnership was given the responsibility to start the early college high schools. David Asay, one of the business partners and past chair of the Utah Partnership, accepted this responsibility. Soon after that meeting, business leaders were called to the Governor's Office to work with educational institutions in involving business with education. Their mission was to bring to pass an early college high school in Utah. Business leaders were partnered with education to provide opportunities in the areas most needed for an educated workforce.

The following institutions have been created as early college high schools: Itineris ECHS and AMES (Academy for Math, Engineering and Science) in Salt Lake City; NUAMES (Northern Utah Academy of Math, Engineering and Science) in Ogden, Weber and Davis Counties; the SUCCESS Academy (Southern Utah Center for Computer, Engineering and Science Students) in Cedar City and St George; UCAS (Utah County Academy of Science) in Orem; and InTech Collegiate High School in Logan. These six schools regionally represent most of the state. Between them, they have a total enrollment of 1900 students, which is the equivalent of one high school. They represent 1.67 percent of all high school students in Utah and 48 percent of students in charter schools. Ms. Kearl thanked the higher education partners, without whom none of this would have been possible.

Ms. Kearl pointed out that the early college high schools have a 7 percent higher graduation rate than the other high schools. This is due, in part, to the \$4 million given in scholarships last year, mostly through the New Century Scholarship program. Those programs help students attend college who otherwise would not have the opportunity. She noted this represented a 30 percent return on investment. It is estimated that approximately 45 percent of students were in their second year of college enrollment. She asked the Presidents to thank their faculty for making this possible.

The following individuals spoke about their experiences with early childhood high schools: Juan Nuñez graduated from Itineris and is now a student in civil engineering at the University of Utah. Al Church, Principal of AMES, introduced Mariah Brockman, who graduated from AMES with 24 credits at the University of Utah. She is in her first year at the University in the Honors College, where she is studying pre-psychology. Clark Baron introduced Julia Ventura, a UCAS graduate who is studying clinical research at BYU. Jason Stanger, InTech Collegiate, also spoke.

David Asay noted the vacancy on the Utah Partnership Board of Directors for a representative of the State Board of Regents. He said the early college high schools actively recruit under-represented students, primarily minority and low-income. Those schools focus on STEM (science, technology, engineering and math) programs with additional course requirements.

Commissioner Sederburg thanked Ms. Kearl for her presentation and gave special thanks to the students who had spoken to the Regents.

President Benson pointed out Weber State University had a new program to guarantee new students with a household income of \$25,000 or less that their tuition would be covered. Provost Vaughan explained that that would bridge the gap between federal financial aid and the cost of tuition. Applications were received within the first 20 minutes of the announcement. Commissioner Sederburg commended WSU officials for their creativity. He excused President Millner, who was serving on a search committee for an organization to which she belongs. The Commissioner introduced Jeff Williams, who was visiting from Michigan.

General Consent Calendar

On motion by Regent Snow and second by Regent Holbrook, the following items were approved on the Regents' General Consent Calendar (Tab BB):

- A. Minutes – Minutes of the Regular Board Meeting held December 11, 2009 at the Regents' Offices in Salt Lake City, Utah
- B. Grant Proposals – (on file in the Commissioner's Office)
- C. Grant Awards
 - 1. University of Utah – U.S. Department of Energy; "Geothermal Raft River"; \$3,224,649. Joseph N. Moore, Principal Investigator.
 - 2. University of Utah – U.S. Department of Energy/National Energy Technology Laboratory; "ARRA - Mid-Continent Carbon"; \$2,590,177. Brian James McPherson, Principal Investigator.
 - 3. University of Utah – National Institutes of Health/National Institute of Child Health and Human Development; "National Children's Study"; \$9,402,535. Edward B. Clark, Principal Investigator.
 - 4. University of Utah – National Institutes of Health/National Heart Lung and Blood Institute; "Sprint"; \$1,723,230. Alfred K. Cheung, Principal Investigator.
 - 5. University of Utah – National Institutes of Health/National Center for Research Resources; "University of Utah CTSA"; \$1,391,701. Donald McClain, Principal Investigator.
 - 6. University of Utah – National Institutes of Health/National Institute for Child Health and Human Development; "EAGR Trial"; \$1,368,749. Robert M. Silver, Principal Investigator.
 - 7. University of Utah – National Institutes of Health/National Institute of Child Health and Human Development; "CPCCRN"; \$1,200,000. J. Michael Dean, Principal Investigator.
 - 8. University of Utah – National Institutes of Health/National Heart Lung and Blood Institute; "Vascular Access"; \$1,103,993. Alfred K. Cheung, Principal Investigator.
 - 9. Utah State University – National Aeronautics and Space Administration; "Development of the Aerospike Rocket and Thruster"; \$1,226,042. Doran Baker, Principal Investigator; Stephen Whitmore, Co-Principal Investigator.

Committee Reports

Academic, CTE and Student Success (Programs) Committee

University of Utah – Doctor of Occupational Therapy (Tab A). Chair Morgan said entrants to this program must have either a bachelor's or master's degree in Occupational Therapy from an accredited program, have worked in the field for two years, and have passed the National Certification for Occupational Therapist Board exam. The program will be offered electronically, although students will be required to attend annual on-campus seminars. The request is in response to the national need for doctorally-prepared faculty. With only 19 other accredited programs in the country, the University expects to draw interested students from within the state and surrounding region. The program will be supported by differential tuition and internal reallocation. **Chair Morgan moved approval of the program, seconded by Regent Cespedes. The motion was adopted unanimously.**

Utah State University – Associate of Pre-Engineering Degree (Tab B). This program will be offered at USU's three regional campuses via traditional (face-to-face) instruction and laboratory experiences as well as interactive broadcast delivery. The program is aimed at those already working in industry (for whom a specialized degree is a condition of employment or advancement) and those aiming to transition to an engineering bachelor's degree at a USHE institution. **Chair Morgan moved approval of the program, seconded by Regent Cespedes. The motion was adopted unanimously.**

Dixie State College – Associate of Applied Science Degree in Clinical Laboratory Science (Tab C). This program was designed to prepare medical laboratory technicians for the two-year AAS degree. These professionals perform, develop, evaluate, correlate and assure accuracy and validity of laboratory information, direct and supervise clinical laboratory resources and operations, and collaborate in the diagnosis and treatment of patients. They require skills in financial, operations, marketing and human resource management of the clinical laboratory. The request was made in response to the increasing demand for medical laboratory technicians. **Chair Morgan moved approval of Dixie State College's request. The motion was seconded by Regent Cespedes and adopted unanimously.**

Dixie State College – Associate of Applied Science Degree in Operations Management (Tab D). This program was designed to provide students with a strong applied foundation in the management of activities and processes directly associated with the conversion of inputs (materials, labor, and energy) into outputs (goods and services). The request was in response to the needs and demands of Washington County businesses, particularly in the manufacturing and service industries, for qualified operations managers. The program was designed to build on a Manufacturing Technology Certificate offered by the Dixie Applied Technology College (DXATC). Chair Morgan said Dixie officials were working closely with the DXATC. He asked Assistant Commissioner Wixom to comment. Dr. Wixom said the Regents' staff had worked closely with the DSC staff to promote a relationship between the college and the ATC to ensure that a student can transfer seamlessly and continue his education. The goal is to provide a model for other institutional partnerships. President Nadauld said students in the program have an average age of 38-40 years. Most of those individuals are working in manufacturing jobs and do not have much education. **Chair Morgan moved approval of Dixie's**

AAS Degree in Operations Management. Regent Cespedes seconded the motion, which was adopted unanimously.

Dixie State College – Bachelor of Arts/Bachelor of Science Degrees in Psychology (Tab E). Chair Morgan pointed out this was one of the top three undergraduate areas of study in the United States. The intent of the program is to develop graduates who have the knowledge and skills required to (a) enter the workforce upon graduation, (b) pursue advanced study in psychology or a closely related behavioral science discipline, (c) pursue degrees in law, medicine, business, or numerous other professional fields, and (d) gain valuable insight into their own and others' behavior. It was noted that Dixie State College was the only baccalaureate school in the USHE without a psychology degree. **Chair Morgan moved approval of the program request, seconded by Regent Cespedes. The motion was adopted unanimously.**

Salt Lake Community College – Associate of Applied Science Degree in Energy Management (Tab F). Chair Morgan commended college officials for working with industry to meet workforce needs. This program prepares students for employment as energy auditors, energy raters, home energy raters, energy consultants, home performance consultants, building performance consultants, resource conservation managers or sustainability managers. Students will apply basic skills learned to recommend greater energy efficiency and energy cost saving measures. **Chair Morgan moved approval of the proposed program, seconded by Regent Cespedes. The motion carried unanimously.**

Consent Calendar, Programs Committee (Tab G). Chair Morgan said the Regents plan to focus on the institutions' three-year progress reports because that is an important function of the Board. **On motion by Chair Morgan and Regent Beesley, the following items were approved on the Programs Committee's Consent Calendar:**

- A. University of Utah – The University of Utah Center at St. George
- B. Utah State University – Three-year Follow-up Reports
 - 1. Bachelor of Science in Biochemistry
 - 2. Master of Science and Ph.D. in Human Dimensions of Ecosystem Science and Management
- C. Dixie State College – Discontinuance of the Practical Nursing Certificate

Information Calendar, Programs Committee (Tab H). The following items were discussed by the committee but not in Committee of the Whole:

- A. University of Utah
 - 1. Early Childhood Education Emphasis within the Human Development and Family Studies major in the Department of Family and Consumer Studies
 - 2. Entertainment Arts and Engineering Emphasis in the Division of Film Studies
 - 3. Financial Planning Emphasis within the Consumer and Community Studies major in the Department of Family and Consumer Studies
 - 4. Name Change: Division of Film Studies to Department of Film and Media Arts

5. Name Change: Center for Integrated Design and Construction (CIDC) to Integrated Technology in Architecture Center (I TAC)
- B. Utah State University
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 3. Restructuring of the College of Humanities, Arts and Social Sciences into the College of Humanities and Social Sciences and the Caine College of the Arts
 - C. Southern Utah University – Secondary Education/Creative Writing Emphasis B.A. Degree with English Composite Emphasis
 - D. Snow College – Program Review: Business
 - E. Dixie State College – Integrated Studies Baccalaureate, Emphasis in Operations Management

Finance, Facilities and Accountability Committee

Utah State University – Swaner EcoCenter Gift (Tab I). Chair Karras asked President Albrecht to comment. President Albrecht said this was an outstanding opportunity for USU to extend its research teachings in extension programs into a new facility. The University accepted the liabilities as well as the assets of the facility. Chair Karras said the committee had discussed this item at length and were assured President Albrecht and the USU Board of Trustees had carefully reviewed the terms and issues. **Chair Karras moved approval of the gift, seconded by Regent Brown. The motion was adopted unanimously.**

Southern Utah University – Peer Institutions List (Tab J). Chair Karras said the Board had approved a new peer list for SLCC in December and will be approving the peer lists of the other institutions when appropriate. **Chair Karras moved approval of the Peer Institutions List for SUU. The motion was seconded by Regent Brown and duly adopted.**

Snow College – Purchase of Ephraim Elementary School and Land (Tab K). College officials reached an agreement in principle with the South Sanpete School District to purchase the property for \$1.5 million through 20 annual no-interest payments of \$75,000, subject to approval by the South Sanpete School Board. The property is contiguous to the main campus in Ephraim and provided a significant opportunity to add classroom space and to bank the land for future development. The elementary school will be vacated during the summer of 2010 when the new Ephraim Elementary School is completed. School officials said the property would be paid with student fee revenues, but they will request O&M funding through state appropriations. **Chair Karras moved approval of the transaction, subject to approval of the South Sanpete School Board. Regent Brown seconded the motion, which was adopted unanimously.**

Southern Utah University – Residential Property Purchase (Tab L). College officials desire to purchase a home close to the campus to be used as a rental property for new faculty and staff. At a future date, the University plans to use the facility for emerging campus needs. The purchase price of \$295,000 is the current appraised value of the home. **Chair Karras moved approval of the property purchase, seconded by Regent Brown. The motion carried unanimously.**

The following items were discussed by the committee but were not discussed in Committee of the Whole:

USHE – Financial Ratios (Tab M). This report was prepared at the request of the Regents and reported each institution's historical data and financial trends with its peer institutions.

USHE – Annual Contract and Grant Report (Tab N). The report was submitted in accordance with Regents' Policy R532, which requires the institutions to report annually a summary of the number and dollar amounts of awards received during the previous fiscal year. The report behind Tab N was for the fiscal year which ended June 30, 2009.

USHE – Report of Auxiliary Funds (Tab O). This annual report was prepared as specified in Regents' Policy R550. Auxiliary operations are examined by independent auditors during the annual financial statement audits.

USHE – Annual Report of Institutional and System Bonded Indebtedness (Tab P). Commissioner Sederburg's cover memo explained that Utah Code 53B-21 gives the Regents authority to issue negotiable revenue bonds, which are secured by institutional income and revenues. Regents are also authorized to issue refunding bonds. The report was submitted in compliance with Regents' Policy R590 for fiscal year 2009. All bonds covered in the report were being retired on schedule with the debt service coverage requirements being met or exceeded in every case.

USHE – Update on Institutional Audit Reports to the Regents' Audit Committee (Tab Q). Regents' Policy R565 requires the Regents to meet as needed to review audits and financial information. Regent Atkin chairs the Regents' Audit Committee, which was scheduled to meet with institutional trustee audit chairs, trustee chairs and (in some cases) campus auditors on January 14.

Efficiencies in Higher Education Through the Use of Information Technology (Tab R). Steve Hess, CIO to the USHE and to the University of Utah, met with the committee and reported on ways the colleges and universities had used information technology to save money and make the services and business processes of higher education more efficient and accessible. A list of IT Efficiency Recommendations was included with the agenda.

University of Utah – Hospital Revenue Bonds, Series 2009A&B (Tab S). The sale of this bond was previously authorized by the Board in October 2009, and it was sold on December 1, closing on December 17. The Financing Summary attached to Tab S provided the final results of the bond sale.

UHEAA Update – Student Loan Program (Tab T). An update on the student loan program was provided in this agenda item. Both the number of loans and dollar volume of loans increased significantly during the first five months of the current fiscal year. Executive Director Dave Feitz is working closely with Washington to try to mitigate any legislation requiring universal direct lending, in an attempt to keep UHEAA's role of servicing student loans.

Community/Government Relations and Planning Committee

Chair Zenger reported that the following items had been discussed in committee but were not discussed in Committee of the Whole because of time constraints:

Preview of 2010 Legislative Session (Tab U). An Addendum to this item was given to the Regents.
Roles and Authority Task Force Update (Tab V)
Annual USHE Data Reports (Tab W) A corrected copy of this item was distributed at the meeting.
Outreach (Biennial) Report (Tab X)
Participation Task Force - Update (Tab Y)
USED-IES-NCES-SLDS Grant Program (Tab Z)
USHE 2010 Master Plan Discussion (Tab AA)

Resolutions

Chair Pitcher referred to the Resolution in memory of former Regent Charles W. "Chic" Bullen, which was included in the Regents' folders. **Regent Holbrook moved that the Regents adopt the resolution for former Regent Bullen, seconded by Regent Zenger. The motion carried, and the resolution was adopted unanimously.** Chair Pitcher asked President Albrecht to deliver the resolution to Mr. Bullen's family.

Dixie State College Presidency

Chair Pitcher noted Dr. Nadauld had been appointed Interim President of Dixie State College 22 months previously. He has received unanimous support from the community and strong support from the faculty. Chair Pitcher asked Regent Zenger to report on some recent meetings regarding this issue.

Regent Zenger said President Nadauld's initial charge included alignment with the other institutions and the long-term mission of the college. A year later, President Nadauld was asked if he would be willing to extend his period of service, and he agreed. The Regents have been impressed by Dr. Nadauld's strong leadership. On November 19, 2009, Chair Pitcher, Regent Atkin, Regent Zenger, and Commissioner Sederburg met on campus with various groups (trustees, president's cabinet, faculty, staff, students, legislators, alumni and community leaders and local civic leaders) to discuss the expectations for the Dixie State College presidency. The feedback was extremely positive. Everyone expressed support for President Nadauld and his accomplishments.

On January 8, 2010, the Dixie State College Board of Trustees called a public meeting to propose a resolution recommending to the State Board of Regents the permanent appointment of Dr. Nadauld. The resolution was adopted unanimously, was signed by all members of the Board of Trustees, and was delivered to the Regents earlier during their closed meeting. The Regents commended President Nadauld for his relationship with the Regents, Commissioner, staff and the Dixie community, political and business leaders. To engage in a traditional national search would cost time and money, as well as opportunity.

Regent Zenger moved that the Regents suspend Policy R203 in this instance, which calls for a national search, since the necessary input had been sought and received. Each obligation of the policy was met. The motion was seconded by Vice Chair Beesley and adopted.

Regent Zenger moved the appointment of Dr. Stephen D. Nadauld as the 17th president of Dixie State College. Vice Chair Beesley, Regent Snow and Regent Holbrook all seconded the motion, which was adopted unanimously. Chair Pitcher congratulated President Nadauld.

President Nadauld said he was gratified for the expressions of support from the DSC Board of Trustees, the faculty and community, and the Regents. He also expressed his thanks for his wife's support. President Nadauld said he was passionate about the young people in Utah and for giving them opportunities to have a bright future. He said he had received extraordinary support from the faculty to serve the students of Washington County. The education of our youth should be the state's priority focus. Higher education needs to make its voice heard, he said, about the importance of students continuing their education after high school. President Nadauld said he was excited to be part of that effort. He is pleased to see students succeed and grateful for the opportunity to be in that business.

Commissioner Sederburg congratulated President Nadauld on a job well done as interim president and for his appointment as president. President Nadauld faced some challenges when he was appointed, and he has developed a plan and rallied the community to pull everyone in the same direction. He expressed his own support and that of his staff and the USHE presidents for President Nadauld's success.

Chair Pitcher reported that Trustee Michael S. Wilstead had met with the Board of Regents earlier to bring them the resolution in support of President Nadauld's appointment. (A copy of the resolution will be retained on file with the minutes of this meeting in the Commissioner's Office.)

News From the Campuses

President King said CEU's enrollments were up 17 percent headcount and 13 percent FTE over last year. President Bioteau reported SLCC enrollment was up 22 percent FTE, with 4000 new students (an increase of 8000 from last fall). A groundbreaking was scheduled for the Center for New Media and Digital Design, which will mean an expansion for the South City Campus. Regent Holbrook congratulated President Benson for the \$3 million donation to the SUU Shakespeare Festival. President Albrecht expressed his appreciation to the Regents for allowing USU to move forward. Vice President Peterson reported a 15 percent growth at UVU, which meant 3200 new students over last year. The university is dealing with the challenge of finding space to educate all of its students. Dr. Peterson explained that President Holland was at the same out-of-state meeting as President Millner.

President Young reported the University of Utah had closed out the calendar year with a 16 percent increase in research grants. The U's Bureau of Economic and Business Research reported the impact on research funding: each million dollars of sponsored research at the University supports 20 jobs in Utah, generates approximately \$31.4 million in tax revenue for state and local governments. Last year's figures

represent a 54 percent increase from just four years ago. At the end of the calendar year, the University was ahead of expectations on fund-raising, including considerable scholarship money. Also, in the last year, senior administrators at the University contributed 10 percent of their salaries for scholarships. This year the University of Utah leads the nation (after MIT) in business development for new companies. President Young added he was also happy the University was able to retain its football coach.

Other Issues

Regent Cespedes asked the Commissioner to elaborate on the State Office of Education's application for a Race to the Top grant. Commissioner Sederburg reported that the USHE and most of the school districts had signed off on the grant. If successful, it could bring a possible \$250 million into the state.

Regent Brown announced that Regent Garff's husband had been inducted into the Utah Auto Dealers Hall of Fame that morning. This was an honor conveyed by the entire Utah auto industry.

Report of the Chair

Chair Pitcher announced that the next Board meeting would take place on April 1 at Snow College. Regent Morgan said the Regents might need to approve some new programs prior to that date.

Chair Pitcher announced that the Legislative Higher Education Appropriations Subcommittee would meet on Monday, Wednesday and Thursday afternoons during the 2010 Legislative Session. He encouraged the Regents to attend. The annual Higher Education luncheon at the State Capitol will be on February 19 in the Capitol Rotunda. Finally, Governor Herbert's State of the State address will be given on the evening of January 26.

Chair Pitcher pointed out this was the first time in more than three years that all of the Regents had attended a Board meeting.

Adjournment

Regent Snow moved that the meeting be adjourned. The motion was seconded and adopted.
The meeting adjourned at 4:00 p.m.

Executive Secretary

Date Approved