STATE BOARD OF REGENTS
UTAH VALLEY UNIVERSITY, OREM, UTAH
SORENSEN STUDENT CENTER
NOVEMBER 18, 2011

COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE
MINUTES

Regents Present
David J. Jordan, Chair
Bonnie Jean Beesley, Vice Chair
Keith M. Buswell
Daniel W. Campbell
Wilford W. Clyde
France A. Davis
James T. Evans
Katharine B. Garff
Meghan Holbrook
Nolan E. Karras
Thomas D. Leavitt
Robert S. Marquardt
Carol Murphy
Jed H. Pitcher
Robert W. Prince
David E. Smith
Marlon O. Snow
Mark R. Stoddard
Teresa L. Theurer

Regents Excused
John H. Zenger

Office of the Commissioner
William A. Sederburg, Commissioner
Elizabeth Hitch, Associate Commissioner for Academic Affairs
Cameron Martin, Associate Commissioner for Economic Development and Planning
Gregory L. Stauffer, Associate Commissioner for Finance and Facilities
David Buhler, Associate Commissioner for Public Affairs
David Feitz, Associate Commissioner and Executive Director, UHEAA
Holly Braithwaite, Director of Communications
Andrew J. Stone, Special Assistant to the Commissioner
Blair Carruth, Assistant Commissioner for Academic Affairs
Phylis C. Safman, Assistant Commissioner for Academic Affairs
Gary S. Wixom, Assistant Commissioner for Academic Affairs
Melissa Miller Kincart, Assistant Commissioner for Outreach and Access

Institutional Presidents
A. Lorris Betz, University of Utah  
Stan L. Albrecht, Utah State University  
F. Ann Millner, Weber State University  
Michael T. Benson, Southern Utah University  
Gary Smith, Vice President for Academic Affairs, Snow College  
Stephen D. Nadauld, Dixie State College  
Matthew S. Holland, Utah Valley University  
Christopher Picard, Provost, Salt Lake Community College  

Others Present  
Chuck Wight, Dean, Graduate School, University of Utah  
Ian Wilson, Vice President for Academic Affairs, Utah Valley University  
Bill Byrnes, Associate Provost and Dean, Graduate Studies, Southern University of Utah  
Val Hale, Vice President for Development and Alumni, Utah Valley University  
Val L. Peterson, Vice President for Administration, Utah Valley University  

Other institutional personnel were also present. The signed role is on file in the Commissioner’s Office.

The Regents began the day with the Utah Valley University Board of Trustees for a breakfast meeting. Chair Jordan called the Regents to order in the Committee of the Whole at 9:05 a.m.

Administration of Oath of Office to Regent Wilford Clyde  

Having been appointed by the Governor and confirmed by the Senate, Chair Jordan administered the oath of office to new Regent Wilford W. Clyde.

Underserved Populations  

“Expect the Great” – College and Career Readiness Fair (TAB A)  
Regent Davis gave a report on the success of the College and Career Readiness Fair on October 15, 2011. The event, the first of its kind, was designed to reach out to Utah’s African/African American communities to provide information, resources and support for postsecondary education and careers. Over 400 people attended the event which will be considered a model for future events for other underrepresented populations.

Whitepaper “Access and Attainment: Utah’s underserved, low-income, first generation and historically underrepresented student populations” (TAB B)  
Regent Davis and Assistant Commissioner Melissa Miller Kincart reported on the whitepaper, which was written to raise awareness and focus on strategies to improve college access and success for Utah’s underserved, low-income, first generation and historically underrepresented student populations. Regent Davis gave the Regents nine recommendations to begin thinking about strategies and awareness on reaching underserved populations.
It was moved by Regent Holbrook and seconded by Regent Prince for the Regents to accept the report presented and to charge the system with continuing the work with underserved populations. The motion passed.

Introduction of Stan Jones, President of Complete College America

Commissioner introduced Stan Jones, President of Complete College America and former Indiana House Representative and Indiana Commissioner for Higher Education. Stan led the Regents in discussion on topics including mission based funding, barriers for completion such as remediation, advising, and attendance policies.

Commissioner’s Report

See attached for the Commissioner’s report.

The Regents adjourned from the Committee of the Whole for a short break at 10:40 a.m. followed by committee meetings from 11:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. At noon, President Holland led some of the Regents in a tour of the new Science Building which was followed by a lunch prepared by students in the Culinary Arts Institute at UVU.

President Holland – Presentation on the State of the Utah Valley University

President Holland presented on UVU’s continued focus on students by remaining a teaching institution and remaining open while moving to structured enrollment. He also presented new and ongoing initiatives such as diversity, engaged learning, community partnerships and economic development.

The Committee of the Whole reconvened at 1:30 p.m. following President Holland’s presentation.

Senator Stephen Urquhart

Senator Urquhart engaged the Regents in a short discussion on his thoughts on higher education based on his whitepaper “Some Ideas to Improve Higher Education in Utah”. He mentioned his least important issues include governance, adding that the system does great work. He would like to see a greater focus on completion and his other top thoughts include increasing college readiness, keeping costs down and flexibility. Other topics discussed included using technology to reduce costs and mission based funding. Associate Commissioner Dave Buhler was asked to work with Senator Urquhart to collectively draft a response to the senator’s whitepaper and ideas on improving higher education.

Reports of the Committee Chairs

Finance/Facilities Committee

Utah Valley University – Campus Master Plan (TAB C)
The Board of Regents approved the Utah Valley Campus (UVU) Master Plan on August 18, 2010. UVU now requests approval of its updated Campus Master Plan. It was moved by Regent Karras and seconded by Regent Holbrook to approve the updated plan. The motion carried unanimously.
Utah State University – Non-state Funded Athletics Strength & Conditioning Center (TAB D)
Utah State University requests Regent approval to construct an Athletics Strength and Conditioning Center using donated funds. **It was moved by Regent Karras and seconded by Regent Theurer to approve the University’s request to plan and construct the non-state funded project. The motion carried unanimously.**

Proposed Revisions to Regents' Policy R513 - Tuition Waivers and Reductions (TAB E)
Changes to Policy R513 consist of the inclusion of the “Exemption of Nonresident Tuition for Certain Foreign Nationals” and “Exemption of Nonresident Tuition as Athletic Scholarships”, consolidation of waivers issued to Utah State University and Utah State University – College of Eastern Utah, and the definition of “entering student”. **It was moved by Regent Karras and seconded by Regent Holbrook to approve the revisions to Policy R513. The motion carried unanimously.**

Southern Utah University – Housing Revenue Bond Approval (TAB F)
It was reported and confirmed by President Benson that this item would not come forward at this time.

Regent Karras concluded his report mentioning that Tabs G through M are information items only. Upon inquiry from Chair Jordan, Associate Commissioner Gregory Stauffer reported that the final Paulien Facilities Space Study (Tab L) will be submitted for Regent approval in January.

Programs/Planning Committee

Revision of Regents’ Policy R605: Higher Education Success Stipends (TAB N)
Revision of Regents’ Policy R165: Concurrent Enrollment (TAB O)
Adoption of Regents’ Policy R465: Course Materials Affordability (TAB P)
Revision of Regents’ Policy R481: Academic Freedom, Professional Responsibility, Tenure, Termination and Post-Tenure Review (TAB Q)
Revision of Regents’ Policy R401: Approval of New Programs, Program Changes, Discontinued Programs, and Program Reports (TAB R)
Vice Chair Beesley requested that revisions for Policies R605, R165, R465, R481 and R401 be approved with one motion. **It was moved by Vice Chair Beesley and seconded by Regent Garff to approve the aforementioned policy revisions outlined in Tabs N, O, P, Q and R. The motion carried unanimously.**

University of Utah – Minor in Book Arts (TAB S)
Utah State University – Minor in Chinese Teaching (TAB T)
Dixie State College – Bachelor of Science in Physical Science Composite Teaching (TAB U)
**It was move by Vice Chair Beesley and seconded by Regent Davis to approve the new programs for University of Utah, Utah State University and Dixie State College outline in Tabs S, T and U. The motion carried unanimously.**

University of Utah – Three-Year Reports (TAB V)
Vice Chair Beesley reported that the Programs/Planning Committee received and accepted the following three year reports from the University of Utah with no concerns: Master of Arts in World Language with
Secondary Licensure, Master of Occupational Health and Master of Science in Occupational Health, Master of Science in Clinical Investigation, and PhD in Rehabilitation Sciences. **It was moved by Vice Chair Beesley and seconded by Regent Garff to approve the University of Utah’s Three-Year Reports. The motion passed unanimously.**

Vice Chair Beesley asked the Regents if they had questions on any of the information items in Tabs W through Tab BB. Upon hearing none, she concluded her report.

**General Consent Calendar**

On a motion by Regent Davis and seconded by Regent Theurer, the following items were approved on the Regents’ General Consent Calendar:

A. Minutes
   1. Minutes of the Retreat and Regular Board Meeting held September 15 and 16, 2011 at Entrada Club House and Dixie State College, St. George Utah.
   2. Minutes of the Special Meeting of the Board via conference call September 22, 2011
   3. Minutes of the Special Meeting of the Board via conference call October 3, 2011

B. Grant Proposals
C. Grant Proposals - Revision
D. Awards
E. Academic Items Received and Approved

**Utah Valley University – Technology Strategy**

Vice President Val Peterson presented on Utah Valley University’s Technology Strategy. Projects that UVU has been working on this year include space utilization, customer relationship management initiative, advisement technology initiative, structured enrollment, safety and emergency preparedness IT initiative, infrastructure and classroom technology replacement initiative, disaster recover/business continuity initiative and security initiative. Peterson also reported that key issues for IT are the age of equipment/technology and dependence on one-time money.

**It was moved by Regent Davis and seconded by Regent Holbrook that the board met in Executive Session for the sole purpose of discussing personnel matters. The motion passed unanimously.**

The Committee of the Whole adjourned at 3:01 p.m. and the Regents met in Executive Session until 4:40 p.m.

Kirsten Schroeder, Executive Secretary

Date Approved: January 11, 2012
Attachment
Spread Some Holiday Cheer

Ralphie has to convince his parents, teachers, and Santa that a Red Ryder BB gun really is the perfect gift for a boy in the 1940's.
Quick Update

- Veterans Press Conference
- UESP- Best 529 College Savings Plan of 2011
- Disruptive Technologies Workshop
- Higher Education Appropriations
- SUU- Juniper Housing Replacement (President Benson)
AGB Interviews

- Rich Novak - Senior Vice President, Programs & Research
- Ellen-Earle Chaffee - Senior Fellow, AGB
Complete College Utah

• GOAL- To focus USHE institutions on 2-3 completion initiatives
• Representatives from each institution
• Involvement of state & national experts
“The Utah Educational Savings Plan raises the bar. . . . The plan’s ‘Top’ rating reflects the straightforward, low-cost investment options and strong management.”

— Morningstar, Inc., October 2011

UESP/Zions Bank Holiday Promotion
Open a UESP 529 College Savings Account and Get an Extra $25.

As 2011 comes to a close, thousands of Utah taxpayers/residents are taking advantage of the UESP tax benefits.

• $87 per qualified beneficiary for single filers ($1,740 max. contribution)
• $174 per qualified beneficiary for joint filers ($3,480 max. contribution)
• Federally funded social awareness campaign
• Targeted at promoting higher education options to underrepresented populations.
• StepUP to Higher Education looks to overcome barriers sometimes associated with higher education

www.StepUPUtah.com
Upcoming Events

• Thanksgiving & Christmas holidays
• Women's College Task Force Recommendations
• January 20, 2012
  – State Board of Regents- University of Utah
Graduation & Retention Report

• Key to reaching 66% goal: improving pipeline to completion

• All institutions set five-year goals appropriate to mission

• Annual assessment of progress toward goals
Post-Tenure Review

• Sets parameters for rigorous tenure and post-tenure review
• Assures strong and fair process for just cause dismissals for tenured faculty
• Allows institutions to set processes within Regents’ parameters, but consistent with institutional mission and processes
Highlights for Today

- Policy R481: Academic Freedom, Professional Responsibility, Tenure, Termination and Post-tenure Review
- UVU Technology Plan
- President Holland- State of the University
Housekeeping Information

UVU Science Building Tour-

• Anyone interested in a brief tour of the new Science Building, meet at the top of the stairs after committee meetings.
• Because of safety requirements, dresses and open-toe shoes are not allowed.

Lunch Arrangements-

• Regents, Presidents, Associate Commissioners and Commissioner’s secretary - Centre Stage
• All others - Committee meeting rooms (SC213a/b)

*Everyone will return to Centre Stage at 1 p.m. for State of the University report by President Holland
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