

UVU BOARD OF TRUSTEES

October 27, 2020

9:00am MSFT Teams

Board of Trustee Members Present

R. Duff Thompson, Chair
James Clarke, First Vice Chair
Karen Acerson
Elaine Dalton
Dru Huffaker
Scott Smith
Paul Thompson
Danielle Corbett

Others Present

Cameron Gunter, UVU Foundation Chair
Arthur Newell, Utah Board of Higher Education

UVU Attendees

Astrid S. Tuminez, President
Clark Collings, General Counsel
Scott Cooksey, Vice President, Institutional Advancement
Kelly Flanagan, Vice President, Digital Transformation
Linda Makin, Vice President, Planning, Budgets, and HR
Kyle Reyes, Vice President Student Affairs
Val Peterson, Vice President, Finance and Administration
Wayne Vaught, Provost & Vice President, Academic Affairs
Kara Schneck, Chief of Staff
Anne Arendt, Faculty Senate President
Beka Grulich, PACE President
David Connelly, Associate Provost, Academic Affairs
Bryan Waite, Professor, Secondary Education
David McEntire, Dean, Health and Public Service
Frank Young, Associate Vice President, Facilities Planning
John Newman, Associate Professor, Noorda Director
Norm Wright, Dean, School of Business
Vessela Ilieva, Dean, School of Education
Janet Colvin, Associate Dean, College of HSS
Saeed Moaveni, Dean, College of Engineering & Technology
Debra Escalante, Associate Professor, Elementary Education
Devin Raine, Technician
Jenny Christensen, Legal Secretary

I. CALL TO ORDER

Chair Duff Thompson welcomed those in attendance to the October 27, 2020, Board of Trustees meeting.

II. INFORMATION

1. Committee Report

Trustee Huffaker provided the Finance and Facilities Committee report. Vice President Linda Makin and Vice President Val Peterson provided additional detail from their respective divisions. Vice President Makin addressed student fees and provided a budget update. She mentioned that the Commissioner's office reviewed general student fees. She also reiterated that the Board of Trustees will play a stronger role in review and approval of student fees. Vice President Makin also addressed the impact of enrollment on the University's budget. Summer 2020 semester had its highest enrollment this year. Enrollment was down for Fall 2020 semester. This was primarily attributable to the negative impact of COVID on concurrent enrollment and non-resident student enrollment. There were delays in the concurrent enrollment registration because USHE implemented a new admissions process. Since Summer 2020 enrollment was so strong, the University is in the positive for tuition and fee revenue. Regarding tax funds, the University received fund at the end of June 2020 that is being held in contingencies. If tax revenues hold, the University will not need to dip into the contingencies. Lastly, Vice President Makin reviewed FY22 budget requests.

Vice President Peterson provided an update on University Facilities. Lakemount Manor, with a budget of \$3.1 million, is scheduled to open in Spring of 2022. The Scott C. Keller Building is also on target to be completed on time. The Pedestrian Bridge puts the University campus within ½ mile of apartments on the west side of the freeway. The airport continues to grow at the Provo campus, with a new parking lot and a lease given to build another hangar. The University closed on the property for the Payson campus. A few projects were discussed regarding transportation, in addition to a \$15M project to create a road giving direct access to campus off the freeway, a \$1.1M double hook ramp, and a \$72M project to create an overpass at 800 South.

Associate Vice President Frank Young addressed completed projects, COVID cleaning and filtration, the Tree Campus USA designation, new turf for the baseball field, the installation of new benches around campus, and water shares into ground water to irrigate campus. He also shared an update on the partnership with Rocky Mountain Power for a collective solar farm that will provide 100% renewable power on campus. Lastly, it was announced that UVU acquired the Theobald home for a guest/event house.

III. EXECUTIVE SESSION

Trustee Dalton motioned to enter Executive Session to discuss pending or reasonably imminent litigation. Trustee James Clarke seconded. The motion was carried without opposition.

IV. ACTION

1. Program Modifications

Provost Wayne Vaught presented several program modifications for approval, which included: BA in French Education; BS in Public Health; BS/BA/Minor in Applied Communication; AS/AAS in Automation and Electrical Technology; BA/BS/Minor in Marketing; BS in Digital Marketing; BS in Special Education- Mild/Moderate/Severe and Autism Studies; and BS in Technology Management. Representatives from each department provided input and answered questions.

Trustee Paul Thompson motioned to approve the program modifications as presented. Trustee Scott Smith seconded. The motion carried without opposition.

2. Program Deletions

Provost Wayne Vaught also presented program deletions for approval, which included: AA/AS Communication; AA/AS in Integrated Studies; AA/AS in History and Political Science; MBA Accounting Emphasis; and BS in Accounting (modification) and Internal Auditing emphasis minor (deletion). Representatives from each department provided input and answered questions.

Trustee Paul Thompson motioned to approve the program deletions as presented. Trustee James Clarke seconded. The motion carried without opposition.

3. New Curriculum Programs

Provost Wayne Vaught then presented new curriculum programs for approval, which included: Certificate of Proficiency in Digital Marketing; Certificate of Proficiency in Product Management; Certificate of Proficiency in Theatre Technology; and Master of Education- School Counseling Emphasis. Representatives from each department provided input and answered questions.

Trustee Karen Acerson motioned to approve the new curriculum programs as presented. Trustee Paul Thompson seconded. The motion carried without opposition.

V. CONSENT CALENDAR

Trustee Dru Huffaker motioned to approve the Minutes of the September 23, 2020 Board Meeting. Trustee James Clarke seconded. The motion was carried without opposition.

VI. INFORMATION AGENDA (continued)

2. President's Report

President Astrid Tuminez announced and welcomed several newly hired leaders to the University. She also highlighted student success and UVU athletics. Specifically, the University's student-athlete completion rate is 80%, and athletic events are returning under COVID precautions. UVU is in its Planning, Budget and Assessment process to align spending with the mission and objectives of the University. President acknowledged gratefully the support received at the Presidential Scholarship Ball, where over \$500,000 was raised. She also reported that the University received a \$1.9M grant for a post-secondary education program for Utahns with intellectual disabilities. President also thanked all of those who attended the Tara Westover event and announced the David Kellerman event in November. She finally reported that the University is anticipating that Spring 2021 semester will resemble a similar course delivery offering like Fall 2020 with online, live streaming, and hybrid classes due to COVID.

Chair R. Duff Thompson adjourned the meeting.