

UVU BOARD OF TRUSTEES

February 29, 2024

4:00pm Gateway Building

Board of Trustee Members Present

Rick Nielsen, Chair
Scott Smith, First Vice Chair
Jeanette Bennett, Second Vice Chair
Paul Thompson
Noel Vallejo
Jeremy Hafen
Blake Modersitzki
Andrea Clarke
Zac Whitlock

UVU Attendees

Astrid S. Tuminez, President
Wayne Vaught, Provost & Senior Vice President, Academic Affairs
Kat Brown, Deputy Provost
Kyle Reyes, Vice President, Institutional Advancement
Christina Baum, Vice President, Digital Transformation
Jim Mortensen, Vice President, Finance
Marilyn Meyer, Vice President, People & Culture
Frank Young, Associate Vice President, Facilities Planning
Michelle Kearns Vice President, Student Affairs
Kara Schneck, Chief of Staff
Clark Collings, General Counsel
Rasha Qudisat, Chief Inclusion & Diversity Officer
Steve Anderson, Associate Vice President, University Relations
Daniel Delgadillo, PACE President
Wioleta Fedeczko, Faculty Senate President
Cathy Jordan, Associate General Counsel
Jenny Christensen, Legal Secretary
Kanui Peck, Presidential Intern
Day Rodriguez, Presidential Intern

Others Present

Nathan Savage, Foundation Chair
Russ Galt, Senior Assistant Commissioner
Julie Hartley, Associate Commissioner

I. CALL TO ORDER

Chair Rick Nielsen welcomed those in attendance at the February 29, 2024, Board of Trustees meeting.

II. INFORMATION

1. Legislative Update

Associate Vice President Steve Anderson provided an update on the legislative session.

2. Audit Report

Chair Rick Nielsen provides an Audit report detailing the financial status and compliance measures of the organization for the fiscal year ending 2023. He outlined key findings, recommendations, and actions taken to address any identified issues.

III. ACTION AGENDA

1. Sabbatical Approvals

Trustee Paul Thompson motioned to approve the sabbaticals as presented. Trustee Blake Modersitzki seconded. The motion was carried out without opposition.

2. Policy Approvals

Associate General Counsel Cathy Jordan discussed the proposed changes to Policy 376. Trustee Zac Whitlock motioned to approve the policy as presented. Trustee Jeanette Bennett seconded. The motion was carried out without opposition.

3. Program Approvals

Provost Wayne Vaught presented the plan to create Community Mental Health Clinic (retroactive), in the College of Humanities and Social Sciences; transfer Mathematical and Quantitative Reasoning Department (retroactive), in the College of Science; create Entrepreneurship Institute (retroactive), Money Success Center (retroactive), Sales Marketing Applied Research Test (SMART) Laboratory (retroactive) and The Green House (retroactive) in the Woodbury School of Business; and discontinue University College (retroactive). Trustee Noel Vallejo motioned to approve the programs as presented. Trustee Zac Whitlock seconded. The motion was carried out without opposition.

4. Repurposing/Reprogramming Triple Budget Funds

Vice President Jim Mortensen addressed triple budget funds highlighting the need for reallocating resources to address emerging priorities and strategic initiatives identified by the board. He presented a comprehensive plan detailing how the funds would be repurposed and reprogrammed to support key areas such as student success programs, faculty development, and infrastructure enhancements. Vice President Mortensen emphasized the importance of aligning the budget with the institution's strategic goals to ensure long-term sustainability and competitiveness.

Trustee Jeanette Bennett motioned to approve the repurposing and reprogramming of the triple budget funds as presented. Trustee Jeremy Hafen seconded. The motion was carried out without opposition.

5. Proposed 2024-25 Tuition and Fees Discussion

Vice President Jim Mortensen discussed the proposed 2024-25 tuition and fees providing an overview of the factors influencing the proposed adjustments and the potential impact on students and the institution. He outlined the rationale behind the proposed changes, considering factors such as inflation, rising operational costs, and the need for continued investment in academic programs and student services. Vice President Mortensen emphasized the importance of maintaining affordability while ensuring the institution's financial stability and ability to provide high-quality education.

The approval will take place with the Executive Committee after the legislative session ends and ratified at the March 28 board meeting.

IV. CONSENT CALENDAR

Trustee Jeremy Hafen motioned to approve the consent agenda, which included the minutes of the January 25, 2024, Board Meeting; and the 2023 Auxiliary Report. Trustee Jeanette Bennett seconded. The motion was carried out without opposition.

V. INFORMATION AGENDA (continued)

1. President's Report

President Tuminez began her report by expressing gratitude and acknowledging everyone's attendance. She thanked those who attended the State of the University address in January, emphasizing the importance of community involvement and engagement. Additionally, she highlighted events such as homecoming and alumni engagement initiatives, underscoring the significance of fostering connections and relationships within the university community. President Tuminez extended invitations to upcoming events, including the President's Trustees Awards for Excellence, recognizing outstanding contributions and achievements within the university.

Chair Rick Nielsen adjourned the meeting.