

UVU BOARD OF TRUSTEES

September 7, 2018
9 a.m. – Conference Call

Board of Trustee Members Present

R. Duff Thompson, First Vice Chair
Karen Acerson
James Clarke
John Gappmayer
Rick Nielsen
Marc Reynolds
Jack Sunderlage, Second Vice Chair
Jill Taylor
Paul Thompson

Guests

Janette Pugmire
Stephen Whyte

UVU Attendees

Kathren Brown, Interim Vice President, Academic Affairs
Karen Clemes, General Counsel
Scott Cooksey, Vice President, Development and Alumni
Justin Jones, Chief of Staff, Secretary to the Board
Linda Makin, Vice President, Planning, Budgets, and HR
Cameron Martin, Vice President, University Relations
Jeff Olson, Interim President
Val Peterson, Vice President, Finance and Administration
Kyle Reyes, Vice President, Student Affairs
Craig Thulin, Faculty Senate President
Katie Zabriskie, Executive Communication Officer

I. ACTION

1. Board Supported Public Statement

Vice President Cameron Martin presented the Trustees with a statement clarifying the university's position on Proposition 5 which will appear on the ballot in the November 2018 mid-term elections. He noted UVU's legal right to issue statements on propositions germane to higher education. The positions of both the property developers and a particular subset of the community were discussed. The Trustees initially requested formatting and spelling corrections. More substantive and critical conversation occurred around statements of costs, tax revenue, and service demands. The Trustees sought to provide clarity, easily digestible but factually accurate messaging, and a fair representation of the possible outcomes of a decision for or against the proposition. The Trustees noted their agreement with the principles and themes of the message, but wanted further refinement of individual points. VP Martin agreed to make amendments to the prepared statement as requested.

Trustee Karen Acerson motioned to approve the statement, with the requested changes, of UVU's position regarding the development of property for student housing. Trustee John Gappmayer seconded. The motion carried without opposition.