

UNIVERSITY OF UTAH
BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETING
DECEMBER 14, 2021

TRUSTEES PRESENT

Kim Brunisholz	J. Steve Price
Katie Eccles (Vice-Chair)	Bassam Salem
Maria Garciaz (via Zoom)	Randy Shumway
Christian Gardner (Chair)	Jim Sorenson
David Parkin	Jessica Wojciechowski

UNIVERSITY REPRESENTATIVES PRESENT

Cathy Anderson	Chief Financial Officer
Morgan Aguilar	Specialist, Marketing and Communications
Jonathon Bates	Executive Director, Real Estate Administration
Robin Burr	Chief Design and Construction Officer
Kerry Case	Chief Sustainability Officer
Paul Gabrielsen	Manager, Public Relations / Communications
Alison Flynn Gaffney	Interim Chief Operating Officer / Executive Director, U of U Health Services Lines, Ancillary and Support Services
Michael Good	Senior Vice President, Health Sciences
Joan Gregory	Librarian, Eccles Health Sciences Library
Mark Harlan	Athletics Director
Hilary Hahn	UMFA Director of Development
Jeff Herring	Chief Human Resources Officer
Steve Hess	Chief Information Officer
Howard Horwitz	Professor, English
Ischa Jensen	Director Planning and Operations University of Utah Health Hospitals and Clinics
Dan Lundergan	Chief Executive Officer, University of Utah Health Hospitals and Clinics
Laura Marks	Special Assistant to the Senior Vice President for Academic Affairs
Lori McDonald	Vice President for Student Affairs
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Chris Nelson	Interim Chief Marketing & Communications Officer
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Jeff Rudy	Associate Athletic Director, Football Administration
Sonia Salari	Professor, Family and Consumer Studies
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Laura Snow	Chief of Staff and Secretary to the University
Jeannette Taylor	Administrative Manager, Senior VP Academic Affairs
Martell Teasley	Associate Provost and Dean, College of Social Work
Gavin Van Wagoner	Development Officer, Athletics Department
Brad Vierig	Associate Dean, David Eccles School of Business

Phyllis Vetter	Vice President and General Counsel
Mary Ann Villarreal	Vice President for Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion
Rebecca Walsh	Associate Director of Communication, Senior VP Academic Affairs
Karen West	Liaison to the Board of Trustees
Andrew S. Weyrich	Vice President for Research
Kyle Whittingham	Football Coach, Athletics
Gordon Wilson	Associate Vice President for Administrative Services
Mark Winter	Assistant Vice President, Budget and Finance
Shawn Wood	Communication Specialist, Marketing and Communications
Heidi Woodbury	Vice President, Institutional Advancement

OTHERS

Benjamin Jordan	Community Member
Geoffrey Landward	Deputy Commissioner, General Counsel & Secretary to the Utah Board of Higher Education
Taylor Monney	Community Member

CALL TO ORDER

Information: 1.01 – Call to Order

The meeting of the Board of Trustees was called to order at 9:04 AM in the Cleone Peterson Eccles Alumni Center, Sorenson Legacy Foundation Boardroom. Chair Christian Gardner welcomed Trustees and others in attendance.

Chair Gardner mentioned we are pleased to have Coach Kyle Whittingham here with us today to congratulate him on the Pac-12 football championship and Pac-12 coach of the year award. President Randall and Mark Harlan, Athletics Director, also congratulated Coach Whittingham.

GENERAL CONSENT

Action (Consent): 2.01 – Minutes of the November 9th Meeting of the Trustees

Action (Consent): 2.02 – Faculty and Staff Matters (Appendix I)

Action (Consent): 2.03 – Sponsored Projects Report (Appendix II)

Action (Consent): 2.04 – Monthly Comparison (Gifts) Report (Appendix III)

Action (Consent): 2.05 – University Leases (Appendix IV)

Action (Consent): 2.06 – Report of Investments Portfolio for the Month of October (Appendix V)

Action (Consent): 2.07 – Investment Compliance Report (Appendix VI)

Action (Consent): 2.08 – Discontinue Emphasis – BA in Film & Media Arts EAE Emphasis (Appendix VII)

Action (Consent): 2.09 – Discontinue Emphases – Film & Media Arts MFA Arts & Game Arts & Game Production Emphases (Appendix VIII)

Action (Consent): 2.10 – Emphasis – Mechanical Engineering Data Science Emphasis (Appendix IX)

Action (Consent): 2.11 – Fleet Services Annual Report (Appendix X)

Action (Consent): 2.12 – Naming The Elizabeth Farran Tozer and W. James Tozer, Jr. Lobby at the Utah Museum of Fine Arts in the Marcia and Ohn Price Museum Building (Appendix XI)

Action (Consent): 2.13 – Naming – Rice-Eccles Stadium Expansion (Appendix XII)

Motion to approve the Consent Calendar by Jim Sorenson, second by David Parkin. Final

Resolution: Motion Approved. Aye: Kim Brunisholz, Katie Eccles, Maria Garciaz, Christian Gardner, David Parkin, J Steve Price, Bassam Salem, Randy Shumway, Jim Sorenson, and Jessica Wojciechowski

Background materials are included in the Appendices (as noted above) and are on file in the office of the Secretary to the University.

ACTION AGENDA

Action: 3.01 – Capital Facilities Projects – Approval to Remodel Space on Level 4 of the University Hospital for the EP Lab 6

Robin Burr, Chief Design and Construction Officer, introduced the proposed remodel space on level 4 of the University Hospital for Electrophysiology Lab 6.

The proposed project will remodel recently vacated MRI space to provide a new Electrophysiology Lab. This will provide a new Electrophysiology Lab to continue this function while the existing Electrophysiology Lab is remodeled in a future project. The existing lab was built in 2008, and most of the software and hardware is at the end of its useful life. The new lab will be outfitted with state-of-the-art electrophysiology equipment and new finishes. The completion of this room will be the first step to increasing the number of Electrophysiology Labs in the University Hospital from 1 to 2. The project includes new walls and doors, flooring, casework, new ceiling structure, and equipment.

The proposed total project budget is \$3,944,268 and will be funded by Hospital FY21 Capital funds. This project has been approved by the Hospital Board.

Approval is requested to authorize the University to design, bid, and award a construction contract to complete this project.

Fiscal Note: No additional operating budget or personnel will be required.

Additional clarifying questions were raised and addressed prior to the motion to approve the proposed project.

Motion to approve the item 3.01 by Katie Eccles, second by J. Steve Price. Final Resolution: Motion Approved. Aye: Kim Brunisholz, Katie Eccles, Maria Garciaz, Christian Gardner, David Parkin, J Steve Price, Bassam Salem, Randy Shumway, Jim Sorenson, and Jessica Wojciechowski

A copy of the report is included as Appendix XIII with the official minutes of this meeting and is on file in the office of the Secretary to the University.

Action: 3.02 – Capital Facilities Projects – Approval to Remodel Shelled Space on Level 1 of the Craig H. Neilsen Rehabilitation Hospital for the Division of Physical Medicine & Rehabilitation

Robin Burr, Chief Design and Construction Officer, introduced the proposed build-out of shelled space on Level A of the Huntsman Cancer Institute, Research South, Building for the Huntsman Cancer Institute.

The proposed project will remodel 2,008 square feet on Lower Level 1 of the Craig H. Neilsen Hospital to house the following labs: NeuroRobotics Lab, Gait and Motion Capture Analysis Lab, and Functional Assessment Lab. This collaborative space will allow translational researchers, students, and clinicians to work together. Project will build out Rooms LL120 and LL124 by removing sections of floor concrete to provide force plates for motion capture; add benches, furniture, and technology to create multi-function flexible open lab and Human Subject Testing space.

The proposed total project budget is \$1,608,739 and will be funded by Division of Physical Medicine & Rehabilitation funds.

Approval is requested to authorize the University to design, bid, and award a construction contract to complete this project.

Fiscal Note: No additional operating budget or personnel will be required.

Additional clarifying questions were raised and addressed prior to the motion to approve the proposed project.

Motion to approve the item 3.02 by David Parkin, second by Jim Sorenson. Final Resolution: Motion Approved. Aye: Kim Brunisholz, Katie Eccles, Maria Garciaz, Christian Gardner, David Parkin, J Steve Price, Bassam Salem, Randy Shumway, Jim Sorenson and Jessica Wojciechowski

A copy of the report is included as Appendix XIV with the official minutes of this meeting and is on file in the office of the Secretary to the University.

Action: 3.03 – Real Estate Acquisition – Approval to Close on Acquisition of the Centerville Health Center Property Located at 26 South Main Street in Centerville, Utah

Jonathon Bates, Executive Director, Real Estate Administration, introduced the acquisition of the Centerville Health Center Property Located at 26 South Main Street in Centerville, Utah.

The University requests approval to close on the acquisition of Centerville Health Center property located at 26 South Main Street in Centerville, Utah on behalf of the University Hospital (UUHC). This acquisition would address continual lease renewal considerations associated with this existing clinical location.

Closing on the property would be contingent on acceptable completion of the following due diligence items:

- Appraisal
- Title Report and Insurance Commitment
- Phase I Environmental
- ALTA Survey

The purchase price for the property has been set at \$2,130,000, which has been supported by an appraisal showing a market value of \$2,160,000.

Approval is requested to authorize the University to close on the property described above. Closing to occur around December 16, 2021.

Fiscal Note: Funding for the acquisition and future O&M requirements would be from UUHC.

Motion to approve 3.03 by Randy Shumway second by Jim Sorenson. Final Resolution: Motion Approved. Aye: Kim Brunisholz, Katie Eccles, Maria Garcia, Christian Gardner, David Parkin, J Steve Price, Bassam Salem, Randy Shumway, Jim Sorenson and Jessica Wojciechowski

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Action: 3.04 – Real Estate Acquisition – Approval to Close on the Purchase of Properties Located at 3732 & 3750 South 5600 West in West Valley City, Utah

Jonathon Bates, Executive Director, Real Estate Administration, introduced the acquisition of the property located 3732 & 3750 South 5600 West in West Valley City, Utah.

As approved by the University of Utah Hospital board during their meeting on November 18, 2021, the University would like to close on the acquisition of the following properties in West Valley City, Utah:

- 3732 South 5600 West
 - 0.42 acres
 - \$425,000
 - Seller will leaseback the property for up to twenty-four (24) months
- 3750 South 5600 West
 - 0.5 acres
 - \$370,000
 - Seller will leaseback the property for up to twenty-four (24) months

Approval would be contingent on the following due diligence items being successfully completed:

- Appraisals have been completed and support the purchase prices
- Title Report and Insurance Commitment
- Phase I Environmental

- ALTA Survey

Approval is requested to authorize the University to close on the acquisition of the described property.

Fiscal Note: No additional operating budget or personnel will be required.

Additional clarifying questions were raised and addressed prior to the motion to approve the proposed project.

Motion to approve 3.04 by J. Steve Price, second by Katie Eccles. Final Resolution: Motion Approved. Aye: Kim Brunisholz, Katie Eccles, Maria Garciaz, Christian Gardner, David Parkin, Bassam Salem, Randy Shumway, Jim Sorenson, and Jessica Wojciechowski.

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Action: 3.05 – Differential Tuition – Online MBA and Professional MBA Programs

Brad Vierig, Associate Dean, David Eccles, School of Business, introduced the differential tuition for the Online MBA and Professional MBA Programs.

The David Eccles School of Business is requesting approval of a tuition increase. Due to the impact of COVID-19 (more students wanting hybrid/online courses) and changes in our economy (the recent big resignation and increased costs), we are requesting the increase go into effect in Spring 2022.

I. Program Description: The Professional and Online MBA Programs at the David Eccles School of Business set tuition for the two-year programs on a per credit hour rate. This tuition increase would start at the beginning of the program for incoming Spring 2022 students and continue throughout their 24-month program. The current Professional MBA and MBA Online tuition is \$60,000 or \$1,250 per credit hour. The requested 4% increase in tuition would be \$62,400 or \$1,300 per credit hour. The last tuition increase was Fall 2020 (a 2% increase). Before 2020 tuition was not increased for three years.

II. Addressing Strategic Needs: The impacts of Covid have changed the part-time MBA student needs. While we made adjustments to manage through and deliver the same quality programs during Covid, we continue to see changes within our markets and need to adapt. Covid impacted our recruitment practices, modality, technology needs, and student services. These two MBA programs have always served a unique student with demands both in the classroom and outside of the classroom, and this was exacerbated during Covid. Our costs continue to increase, and we need more resources to continue to meet student demands and fulfill our mission.

To meet the demand of more flexibility, the Professional MBA program is planning to move to a hybrid model and we need more online resources. We learned through Covid that students required increased flexibility in their schedules and that students and employers are more accepting of remote learning, understanding that it is an equal form of education. This will require a big investment. We will work with faculty, instructional designers, videographers, etc. to redesign classes.

Students are increasingly engaging virtually and remotely with their academics and events. Due to Covid, we invested in classroom technology for effective remote learning in the classroom and within our learning management system. We require additional upgrades to manage both in-person and remote learning simultaneously as well as elevating our fully online courses. In addition to the technology resources, the additional virtual needs required extra time from our Instructional Designers. To provide ongoing positive and engaging experiences both academically and socially, we must continue to invest in technology and people to create robust LMS courses, classroom spaces, and software to assist in remote and virtual engagements.

Students are requesting additional career services and support. The recent Great Recession continues to impact our students. Many students are interested in a career pivot and need additional services to assist them in making these moves. Covid also impacted students' careers, with some being laid off and needing support in a job search. We know that career services and resources will continue to be an increased need for part-time MBA students as many of them are earning their MBA to advance their careers. Our career team needs more resources to continue to support ongoing student demand.

The current employment climate has forced us to examine our faculty and staff needs. With increasing demands and expectations from the students, we need to invest in faculty and staff to fulfill student needs. Wages in our community continue to increase in the technology sector, which is continuing to pull away our experienced team members. To remain competitive, we must continue to offer higher pay to staff and additional staff to help support recruitment and student services efforts. The growing number of students also demands the addition of classes to fulfill program requirements. We continue to add new classes, both core and elective, to meet the needs of our growing number of students. This means we have increased costs for faculty pay, instructional designers, and technology to support the academic components.

The new revenue is highly needed and will go towards new technology for remote and virtual learning, salaries for instructional designers, faculty, and staff for retention and added program needs, and increased career services and resources. There are no other funding sources for these areas. Without an increase in tuition, our program student services and high-quality academics will diminish.

III. Justification of the Proposed Tuition-Rate and Rationale: The PMBA and MBO tuition continues to be affordable as compared to other peer institutions. The average cost of tuition for the top 50 part-time programs is \$81,057. Even with this increase, The PMBA and MBO tuition is 23% below our peer institutions.

The PMBA and MBO student population is made up of working professionals. With increased wages and company educational contributions, the increase in tuition continues to be affordable. We will continue to award program scholarships for underserved students that makes the attainment of our degree possible for these populations.

IV. Prospective Student Support: We have been discussing the tuition increase with prospective students and have not had any questions. In addition, while doing outreach to current students, we asked for recommendations for future students to our program. The increase in tuition was discussed, and we received supportive feedback.

V. Comparable rate structures from peer institutions. The attached is a comparison on peer schools based on the 2021 US News and World Report rankings. The table lists the reported tuition from the institution to

US News. The University of Utah compares in each area, including full program tuition. As explained above, the average tuition for the top 50 part-time programs is \$81,057. Compared to this, the proposed increase in PMBA and MBAO tuition is still 23% less.

Additional clarifying questions were raised and addressed prior to the motion to approve the proposed differential tuition increase.

Motion to approve 3.05 by Bassam Salem, second by Jessica Wojciechowski. Final Resolution: Motion Approved. Aye: Kim Brunisholz, Katie Eccles, Maria Garcia, Christian Gardner, David Parkin, Bassam Salem, Randy Shumway, Jim Sorenson and Jessica Wojciechowski.

A copy of the report is included as Appendix XVII with the official minutes of this meeting and is on file in the office of the Secretary to the University.

Action: 3.06 – Naming – Rice-Eccles Stadium Expansion

Heidi Woodbury, Vice President for Institutional Advancement, and Mark Harlan, Athletics Director, introduced the namings for the Rice-Eccles Stadium expansion.

- Ken Garff Red Zone at Rice-Eccles Stadium – In recognition of a commitment of \$17.5 million from the Garff family, the University of Utah would like to name the Rice-Eccles Stadium expansion in honor of Ken Garff and the Garff family.
- Ken Garff Scholarship Club – In recognition of a commitment of \$4 million from the Garff family, the University of Utah would like to name the rooftop club within the Rice-Eccles Stadium expansion in honor of Ken Garff and the Garff family.
- Eldin & Talia Diglisic Family Lounge – In recognition of a commitment of \$5 million, the University of Utah would like to name the main premium lounge within the Rice-Eccles Stadium expansion in honor of Eldin and Talia Diglisic.
- Julie M. & David S. Layton Field Club – In recognition of a commitment of \$3 million, the University of Utah would like to name the field club within the Rice-Eccles Stadium expansion in honor of Julie and David Layton.
- Brent and Ann Wilson Premium Club Lobby – In recognition of a commitment of \$2.5 million, the University of Utah would like to name the premium seating lobby within the Rice-Eccles Stadium expansion in honor of Brent and Ann Wilson.
- Football Academic All-America Recruiting Lounge – In recognition of a commitment of \$1 million from the Schwarzbein Graham Family Foundation, the University of Utah would like to name the first recruiting room within the Rice-Eccles Stadium expansion in honor of the scholarship fund Dick Graham and Audrey Schwarzbein helped create and support.
- Adondakis & Puglisi Defensive Coaches Locker Room – In recognition of a commitment of \$500,000, the University of Utah would like to name the defensive coaches' locker room within the Rice-Eccles Stadium expansion in honor of Gregory Adondakis and John Puglisi.

Motion to approve 3.06 by David Parkin, second by Kim Brunisholz. Final Resolution: Motion Approved. Aye: Kim Brunisholz, Katie Eccles, Maria Garcia, Christian Gardner, David Parkin, Bassam Salem, Randy Shumway, Jim Sorenson, and Jessica Wojciechowski.

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CHAIR'S REPORT

Action: 4.01 – Current Events

Chair Christian Gardner noted the Board of Trustees received a report and recommendations from the Academic Senate's Ad Hoc Committee for Divestment and Reinvestment in XXX (add month) of this year. Gardner expressed appreciation to the committee for their work, as well as to the Board of Trustees sub-committee for their ongoing effort to align investment and sustainability goals with the University's mission and priorities.. On behalf of the Board, Gardner read a response to the Senate committee's report. A link to the response statement can be found at, <https://attheu.utah.edu/sustainability/university-of-utah-board-of-trustees-statement-on-strategic-investment/>.

Following Chair Gardner's reading of the response statement on strategic investment, further clarifying discussions took place among the members of the Board of Trustees.

A copy of the statement is included as Appendix XIX with the official minutes of this meeting and is on file in the office of the Secretary to the University.

Action: 4.02 – Resolution of Appreciation - Andrew S. Weyrich

Chair Gardner recognized Andrew S. Weyrich, outgoing Vice President for Research, for his service to the university. Vice-Chair Eccles read the resolution noting the many accomplishments during his tenure as vice president for research. Weyrich expressed gratitude for the opportunity to have been part of the University, noting what a privilege it has been to work with the trustees and U leaders over the past years. President Randall added his thanks and well wishes to Dr. Weyrich as he begins a new role as president of the Oklahoma Medical Research Foundation.

Motion to approve 4.02 by Katie Eccles, second by J. Steve Price. Final Resolution: Motion Approved. Aye: Kim Brunisholz, Katie Eccles, Maria Garcia, Christian Gardner, David Parkin, Bassam Salem, Randy Shumway, Jim Sorenson, and Jessica Wojciechowski.

A copy of the resolution is included as Appendix XX with the official minutes of this meeting and is on file in the office of the Secretary to the University.

Action: 4.03 – Resolution of Appreciation - Daniel A. Reed

Chair Gardner recognized Daniel A. Reed, Senior Vice President for Academic Affairs, for his service to the university. Dr. Reed is taking administrative leave and will return to research and writing projects. Trustee Shumway read the resolution noting the many accomplishments during his tenure as senior vice president for academic affairs. Dr. Reed responded with gratitude for the opportunity to have served the University in this capacity,

Motion to approve 4.03 by Randy Shumway, second by Katie Eccles. Final Resolution: Motion Approved. Aye: Kim Brunisholz, Katie Eccles, Maria Garciaz, Christian Gardner, David Parkin, Bassam Salem, Randy Shumway, Jim Sorenson, and Jessica Wojciechowski.

A copy of the resolution is included as Appendix XXI with the official minutes of this meeting and is on file in the office of the Secretary to the University.

PRESIDENT'S REPORT

Report: 5.01 – Honors and Awards to Members of the University Community, Distinguished Visitors and Research

President Randall referred Trustees to the written report included in the agenda materials noting that many remarkable things are happening at the University of Utah.

A copy of the items is included as Appendix XXII with the official minutes of this meeting and is on file in the office of the Secretary to the University.

Report: 5.02 – Current Events and Updates

President Randall noted the following:

- Founder's Day 2022 – February 23rd –Trustee Brunisholz noted that the Founders Day celebration will be held at the Cleone Peterson Eccles Alumni House. This year the Alumni Association received over 30 nominations and ranked the nominations based on the following four categories:
 - Professionalism
 - Volunteerism and their contributions to the community
 - Awards previously received
 - Involvement on campus

The following individuals will be honored:

Distinguished Alumni

Bonnie Jean Beesley

Michael Bird

Robert M. Graham

Tyrone Medley

Honorary Alumni

Kathie Miller

Distinguished Service Award

Margie Egbert and Daniel Edwards

- President Randall noted it is final exam week, bringing fall semester to a close. He thanked faculty and students for their partnership in complying with COVID guidelines and encouraged all to take advantage of the upcoming holiday break to rest and recharge.

SENIOR VICE PRESIDENTS REPORTS

Report: 6.01 – Health Sciences Report

In a written report to the Board, Dr. Mike Good noted the following:

Leadership Announcements

- Michal Pulsipher, MD, was appointed division chief of pediatric hematology and oncology in the Department of Pediatrics and as the inaugural director of the Children's and Adolescent Cancer Initiative at Huntsman Cancer Institute and Intermountain Primary Children's Hospital.

National Recognition

- U of U Health has been recognized for outstanding achievement in patient experience by Press Ganey. Moran Eye Center at Midvalley and Huntsman Cancer Institute's Clinic 2B earned the 2021 Pinnacle of Excellence award for achieving and sustaining superior patient experience performance over the last three years. Craig H. Neilsen Rehabilitation Hospital earned the 2021 Guardian of Excellence award for reaching the 95th percentile for each reporting period for the award year.

Research Milestones

- Research led in part by Christy Porucznik, PhD, professor of family and preventive medicine, addresses the misconception that children are less susceptible to infection with the coronavirus. The CDC-led C-HEaRT study followed families in New York and Utah. Findings revealed children and adults have similar risk for infection but children are more likely to be asymptomatic.

Awards, Grants, & Recognition

- Jacob George, PhD, assistant professor of physical medicine and rehabilitation, was named one of Forbes' "30 Under 30" in the Science category for 2022. Those named are considered by the editors to be the ones to watch out for in their respective fields.
- The Medical Library Association (MLA) has approved Jessica Van Der Volgen, associate librarian at the Spencer S. Eccles Health Sciences Library, for membership in the Academy of Health Information Professionals (AHIP) at the Distinguished Level. AHIP promotes lifelong learning and exemplary professional performance by recognizing achievements in continuing education, teaching, publishing, research, and other contributions to the profession.

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Report: 6.02 – Academic Affairs Report

Shared in a written report to the Board, Dr. Reed noted the following:

News Items:

- **Rhodes Scholar Announcement/Office of Nationally Competitive Scholarships**

The Senior Vice President for Academic Affairs established the Office of Nationally Competitive Scholarships within the Honors College in August 2020. Since then, Director Ginger Smoak and Program Manager Alison Shimko have mentored 353 students through the application process:

- 282 students apply for 13 scholarships
- 70 were endorsed
- 96 received scholarships

Several national scholarships remain housed in independent departments and colleges, including The Fulbright U.S. Student Program, the Harry S. Truman Scholarship, and the Boren Scholarship.

The most recent recipient of a national scholarship is the university's first Rhodes Scholar in 20 years—Sabah Sial, a Presidential Intern and senior studying finance in the David Eccles School of Business.

<https://attheu.utah.edu/facultystaff/university-of-utah-student-named-rhodes-scholar/>

- **Dean Searches**

Senior Vice President for Academic Affairs Dan Reed has initiated searches for three new deans:

- Finalists for College of Humanities dean met with faculty and university administrators the last two weeks of November and first week of December.
- Candidates for the College of Social and Behavioral Sciences' dean position will come to campus in January.
- And the final candidates for David Eccles School of Business dean will be on campus in February.

- **First Generation College Celebration Day**

On Nov. 8, the University recognized national First-Gen College Celebration Day and the 10th anniversary of the U's First-Generation Scholars Program (formerly Beacon Scholars). This program is designed to provide first-generation U students with a small community on campus which allows students to support each other in achieving academic success and stay connected throughout their educational careers.

Throughout the past decade, the First-Gen Scholars program has helped more than 650 students build community, overcome barriers and develop leadership and programming skills. As the U continues to enroll record high numbers of students, the need for additional resources to support first-generation students is clear. In addition, a first-generation student is now part of the U's academic leadership team. <https://attheu.utah.edu/facultystaff/supporting-first-generation-students/>

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ASUU UPDATE

Report: 7.01 – ASUU Report

Trustee Jessica Wojciechowski gave an overview of her written report noting accomplishments and issues of focus over the past month.

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ACADEMIC SENATE

Report: 8.01 – Academic Senate Report

Academic Senate President Christina Porucznik referred Trustees to her written report.

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ADJOURN

Resolution: Chair Christian Gardner recommended a motion to adjourn the open meeting of the Board of Trustees.

At 10:50 a.m., the meeting was adjourned.

The next scheduled meeting will be held on February 8, 2022.

Motion to approve by David Parkin, second by Jim Sorenson. Final Resolution: Motion Approved.
Aye: Kim Brunisholz, Katie Eccles, Maria Garcia, Christian Gardner, David Parkin, J Steve Price, Bassam Salem, Randy Shumway, Jim Sorenson, and Jessica Wojciechowski.

Signed by: Laura Snow

Date approved: 8 February 2022