UNIVERSITY OF UTAH
BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETING
JUNE 14, 2022

TRUSTEES PRESENT
Kim Brunisholz J. Steve Price
Katie Eccles (Vice-Chair) Bassam Salem
Christian Gardner (Chair) Randy Shumway
David Parkin Taylor VanderToolen

EXCUSED
Maria Garciacz
Jim Sorenson

UNIVERSITY REPRESENTATIVES PRESENT
Robin Burr Chief Design and Construction Officer
John Creer Chief Real Estate Officer
Hamid Ghandehari Professor, Pharmaceutics & Pharmaceutical Chemistry
Michael Good Senior Vice President, Health Sciences
Josh Grant Executive Director Development, College of Engineering
Chase Hagood Senior Associate Vice President for Academic Affairs / Dean, Undergraduate Studies
Jeff Herring Chief Human Resources Officer
Steve Hess Chief Information Officer
Ischa Jensen Director Planning and Operations University of Utah Health Hospitals and Clinics
Sneha Kasera Professor, School of Computing
Laura Marks Special Assistant to the Senior Vice President for Academic Affairs
Lori McDonald Vice President for Student Affairs
Taylor Randall President
Sonia Salari President, Academic Senate
Jo Scofield President, University of Utah Staff Council
Laura Snow Chief of Staff and Secretary to the University
Martell Teasley Interim Senior Vice President, Academic Affairs
Phyllis Vetter Vice President and General Counsel
Rebecca Walsh Associate Director of Communications, Marketing and Communications
Karen West Liaison to the Board of Trustees
Heidi Woodbury Vice President, Institutional Advancement

OTHER
Shawn Newell Board Member, Utah Board of Higher Education
KUTV News
CALL TO ORDER

Information: 1.01 – Call to Order

The meeting of the Board of Trustees was called to order at 9:05 AM in the Cleone Peterson Eccles Alumni Center, Sorenson Legacy Foundation Boardroom. Chair Christian Gardner welcomed Trustees, Shawn Newell, member of the Utah Board of Higher Education, and others in attendance. He excused Trustees Maria Garcia and Jim Sorenson who were unable to attend.

GENERAL CONSENT

Action (Consent): 2.01 – Minutes of the April 12th Meeting of the Trustees

Action (Consent): 2.02 – Faculty and Staff Matters and Sabbatical Addendums (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 Months of March and April (Appendix V)

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

Action (Consent): 2.08 – Center – Utah Center for Financial Technology / Fintech Center (Appendix VII)

Action (Consent): 2.09 – Center – The Wilkes Center for Climate Science and Policy (Appendix VIII)

Action (Consent): 2.10 – Graduate Certificate – Population Health Sciences (Appendix IX)

Action (Consent): 2.11 – Graduate Certificate – Secure Computing (Appendix X)

Action (Consent): 2.12 – Dual Degree – Master of Science in Physician Assistant Studies / Master of Science in Gerontology (MPAS/MSG) (Appendix XI)

Action (Consent): 2.13 – New Academic Unit – Department of Otolaryngology – Head and Neck Surgery (Appendix XII)

Action (Consent): 2.14 – Emphases – Comprehensive Physics (Appendix XIII)

Action (Consent): 2.15 – Minor and Emphases - FinTech (Appendix XIV)

Action (Consent): 2.16 – Name Change – Mo9lecular Pharmaceutics (Appendix XV)

Action (Consent): 2.17 – Program Change – Name Change and Restructure World Languages and Cultures (Appendix XVI)
Action (Consent): 2.18 – Revise Policy 5-108 Transfer of Benefits Eligible Staff Members (Appendix XVII)


Action (Consent): 2.20 – ASUU 2022 – 2023 Budget (Appendix XIX)

Action (Consent): 2.21 – Eccles House Budget for the Period of Fiscal Year 2022 - 2023 (Appendix XX)

Action (Consent): 2.22 – Capital Facilities Projects – Approval to Remodel Space in the Language and Communication Building for the College of Humanities (Appendix XXI)

Action (Consent): 2.23 – Capital Facilities Projects – Approval to Remodel Space in the University Hospital for the Relocation of the Interventional Radiology Storage (Appendix XXII)

Action (Consent): 2.24 – Capital Facilities Projects – Approval to Renovate Space in the University Hospital, Area E and Building 525, Leve B for the Relocation of the Provider Call Rooms and Workspace (Appendix XXIII)

Action (Consent): 2.25 – Real Estate Lease – Approval to Enter into a Lease Agreement to Accommodate up to 168 Beds at the DRAW Apartment Complex Located at 2120 South 1300 East in Salt Lake City (Appendix XXIV)

Action (Consent): 2.26 – Namings within the College of Engineering (Appendix XXV)

Motion to approve the Consent Calendar by David Parkin, second by Kim Brunisholz. Final Resolution: Motion Approved. Aye: Kim Brunisholz, Katie Eccles, Christian Gardner, David Parkin, Bassam Salem, Randy Shumway, and Taylor VanderToolen

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 – Namings within the College of Engineering

Heidi Woodbury, Vice President for Institutional Advancement, and Josh Grant, Executive Director of Development for the College of Engineering, introduced the namings within the College of Engineering.

John and Marcia Price Computing and Engineering Building - In recognition of a commitment of $15 million from the John and Marcia Price Family Foundation to the College of Engineering in support of the new computing and engineering building, the University of Utah would like to name the new building in honor of John and Marcia Price.

The Alan W. Layton Lab Building - In recognition of a commitment of $1 million from the Julie M. and David S. Layton Foundation to the College of Engineering in support of the renovation of the former HEDCO
Building, the University of Utah would like to name the renovated building in honor of David’s father, Alan W. Layton.

**Motion to approve the item 3.01 by Katie Eccles, second by Randy Shumway. Final Resolution: Motion Approved.** Aye: Kim Brunisholz, Katie Eccles, Christian Gardner, David Parkin, J. Steve Price, Bassam Salem, Randy Shumway, and Taylor VanderToolen

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**Action: 3.02 – Capital Facilities Projects – Approval to Remodel the Einar Nielsen Fieldhouse for the College of Architecture**

Robin Burr, Chief Design and Construction Officer, introduced the remodel of the Einar Nielsen Fieldhouse for the College of Architecture.

The proposed project will remodel the second and third levels of the Einar Nielsen Fieldhouse. The completed project will provide Multi-Disciplinary Design Studios. This will create eight architectural studios, each housing 16 students, open office space for faculty, a conference room, an open collaboration area, and support space. The scope also includes restroom and lactation rooms as well as electrical and HVAC improvements.

The proposed total project budget is $2,605,599 and will be funded by donor and institutional 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.

**Motion to approve the item 3.02 by Bassam Salem, second by J. Steve Price. Final Resolution: Motion Approved.** Aye: Kim Brunisholz, Katie Eccles, Christian Gardner, David Parkin, J. Steve Price, Bassam Salem, Randy Shumway, and Taylor VanderToolen

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**Action: 3.03 – Real Estate Lease – Approval to Enter into a Lease Transaction**

John Creer, Chief Real Estate Officer, and Robin Burr, Chief Design and Construction Officer, introduced the lease and remodel for the Sleep Wake Clinic.

The Sleep Wake Clinic has been located at 375 Chipeta Way in Research Park since 2000. The building is owned by a third-party landlord who plans to demolish the building in the near future to construct a new building on the site. For this reason, the landlord is not offering long-term lease renewals and the building offers no expansion space for the Clinic.
The relocation of the Clinic will allow for expansion from 6,062 RSF to 11,995 RSF and provide a longer lease term at a location that holds a Site of Service designation.

The business terms of the proposed lease agreement are summarized as follows:

1138 East Wilmington Avenue, Salt Lake City, Utah

- Lease term of 5-years with two (2) options to renew for an additional five (5) years
- 11,995 rentable square feet
- Rental rates (full service)
  - Months 1 to 3: $0, rent abated
  - Months 4 to 48: $35/RSF
  - Months 49 to 60: $40.25/RSF
- Landlord to provide a tenant improvement allowance of $20 per rentable square foot
- Parking: ~42 stalls (3.5 stalls / 1,000 RSF) included
- Commencement Date to follow completion of tenant improvements

Approval is requested to authorize the University to enter into the above-described real property lease transaction.

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

**Motion to approve 3.03 by David Parkin second by Kim Brunisholz. Final Resolution: Motion Approved.** Aye: Kim Brunisholz, Katie Eccles, Christian Gardner, David Parkin, J. Steve Price, Bassam Salem, Randy Shumway, and Taylor VanderToolen

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**Action: 3.04 – Board Trustees Election**

Chair Gardner turned the time over to Laura Snow, who introduced the Board of Trustees elections. According to the Board bylaws: “The Board of Trustees shall elect one of its members to serve as chair and another of its members as vice-chair.” A ballot was circulated to Board members in May, proposing that the current Board leadership extend their term one additional year to provide continuity for President Randall and sync up with Christian’s overall term of Board service through June 2023. Trustees were asked to accept the proposed slate or to submit nominations for either or both of the Chair and Vice-Chair positions. Board members accepted the proposed slate of Christian Gardner - Chair and Katie Eccles - Vice-Chair, reflecting the responses received by the Office of the Board of Trustees.

**Motion to approve 3.04 by Randy Shumway second by Bassam Salem. Final Resolution: Motion Approved.** Aye: Kim Brunisholz, Katie Eccles, Christian Gardner, David Parkin, J. Steve Price, Bassam Salem, Randy Shumway, and Taylor VanderToolen
CHAIR’S REPORT

Action: 4.01 – Current Events

Chair Christian Gardner noted the following upcoming events.

- Commencement and college convocations were held last month, and it was great to be able to celebrate the Class of 2022 in person.
- July 14th – Utah Board of Higher Education Meeting in Cedar City – training for Board members and institutional trustees – as the date approaches details will be shared. Chair Gardner plans to attend. If other Trustees are interested in attending, please contact Laura Snow or Karen West.
- Utah Board of Higher Education - Lisa Michele Church has been appointed Chair (replacing Harris Simmons) and Jesselie Anderson has been appointed Vice Chair (replacing Nina Barnes)

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Action: 4.02 – Resolution of Appreciation – Kim Brunisholz

Chair Gardner recognized Trustee Kim Brunisholz for her service to the University and U Alumni. Trustee Katie Eccles read the resolution noting the accomplishments during her tenure. Several commented on what a privilege it has been to work with Kim the past few years and commended her on her leadership.

A copy of the resolution is included as Appendix XXVII 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 XXVIII 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:

- ACT / SAT test optional policy, was originally adopted as a 2-year pilot and is being extended for an additional 2-years

- SVPAA / Provost search
  - Wittkieffer - hired to conduct the search
  - Position was posted on May 6th
• Phyllis Vetter and Stuart Culver co-chairs and Trustee Randy Shumway serving on the committee
  • President’s Summer Road Trip, “Utah Across Utah”
    • Will introduce the Six Community Commitments

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

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

• Rachel Hess, MD, MS, professor of population health sciences and internal medicine, is named associate vice president for research at U of U Health. Hess will guide institutional research strategy and investment. She succeeds Will Dere, MD, who retires June 30 after a tenure of great accomplishment.

• Fiemu Nwariaku, MD, is appointed chair of the Department of Surgery at the Spencer Fox Eccles School of Medicine. Nwariaku is an internationally accomplished leader, surgeon, educator, and scientist joining U of U Health from UT Southwestern Medical Center (UTSW) in Dallas, Texas.

• After 21 years of service as a dean or provost—including eight years as dean of the University of Utah College of Health—David Perrin, Ph.D. announced his plans to retire on June 30.

U of U Health Hosted National Leaders

• In May, Dr. Rahul Gupta, MD, MPH, MBA, White House Director of the Office of National Drug Control Policy (ONDCP), met for a roundtable talk with community stakeholders in Salt Lake City and toured the Utah Naloxone Wellness Center to gather information on programs that have been successful in shifting culture and attitudes regarding addiction and overdoses.

• Also, in May, Lily Griego, Regional Director of the Department of Health and Human Services, visited with U of U Health leaders from Huntsman Cancer Institute, Huntsman Mental Health Institute, sustainability, and community engagement to promote initiatives around equity, mental health, and maternal health.

Improving Community Health

• In May, U of U Health and SelectHealth announced an agreement in which University of Utah hospitals, clinics, and clinicians become in-network providers for SelectHealth’s Medicare Advantage patients. Effective July 1, the agreement provides approximately 32,000 seniors currently enrolled in SelectHealth Medicare Advantage greater choice in their primary care
providers and specialists, including those at the Moran Eye Center, Huntsman Cancer Institute, Neilsen Rehabilitation Hospital, and Huntsman Mental Health Institute.

Awards, Grants & Recognition

- Angelo Giardino, MD, PhD, MPH, chair of the Department of Pediatrics and Chief Medical Officer at Intermountain Primary Children’s Hospital, is appointed as a new member of the national Medicaid and CHIP Payment and Access Commission.

- The Ophthalmologist named Iqbal “Ike” K. Ahmed, MD, FRCSC, professor of ophthalmology and visual sciences, the second most influential person in ophthalmology worldwide.

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

Report: 6.02 – Academic Affairs Report

In a written report to the Board, Dr. Martell Teasley noted the following:

News Items

- U professors elected to National Academy of Sciences

Valeria Molinero, distinguished professor of chemistry, and Erik Jorgensen, distinguished professor at the School of Biological Sciences, were elected as members of the National Academy of Sciences—the only professors from the state of Utah to be added to the academy this year. Both are faculty members in the College of Science and are among 120 scientist-scholars from the United States and 30 foreign associates elected at the Academy’s annual meeting.

https://attheu.utah.edu/facultystaff/two-u-professors-elected-to-national-academy-of-sciences/

- First professor chosen to receive John G. Francis Prize

Dr. Taylor D. Sparks, associate professor of Materials Science and Engineering, was chosen to receive the first John G. Francis Prize for Undergraduate Student Mentoring. Sparks was chosen to receive the $1,000 award because of his work with undergraduate students, including in his role as director of the Research Experience in Utah for Sustainable Materials Engineering (ReUSE) program. Through ReUSE, 30 undergraduates come to the Department of Materials Science and Engineering for a 10-week long summer research program. The award is named for Dr. John G. Francis, a research professor of Political Science at the U. Former students endowed the award to honor Francis’ commitment to being a mentor.

- 30 U students named to National Science Foundation Graduate Research Fellowship Program

The University of Utah had its best year ever for students receiving a five-year fellowship with the National Science Foundation Graduate Research Fellowship Program (NSF GRFP). This year, 30
students currently or formerly at the U were awarded the fellowship, with another 22 students receiving honorable mentions. The NSF GRFP recognizes outstanding graduate students in STEM disciplines and includes an annual stipend of $34,000 and cost of education allowance of $12,000. The students at the U came from 16 departments, including computer science, genomics, and geography.

- Dean of Libraries search to kick off in mid-August

Plans are in motion to begin a national search for a new Dean of Libraries. Catherine Soehner, associate dean for research, and Sylvia Torti, dean of the Honors College, will chair the search effort, which will begin in mid-August. Current dean of the J. Willard Marriott Library, Alberta Comer, will step down from her administrative duties on Dec. 31.

https://attheu.utah.edu/facultystaff/the-dean-of-libraries-to-retire/

- Juneteenth will be celebrated on June 20

Because June 19 falls on a Sunday this year, we will observe the Juneteenth holiday, on Monday, June 20. Juneteenth was created as a federal and state holiday in celebration of the end of slavery in the United States. It will be up to the discretion of professors whether they would like to cancel classes on Juneteenth this year. Plans are in the works to have celebrations on campus in honor of the holiday on Tuesday, June 21. Next year, classes will not take place on the holiday.

https://attheu.utah.edu/human-resources/juneteenth-holiday-to-be-added-to-u-calendar/

- ‘Jikji to Gutenberg’ research project

The J. Willard Marriott Library is leading a research project involving more than 50 scholars from 25 institutions, including the Library of Congress, Smithsonian Institution and Gutenberg Museum in Germany, to study an ancient Buddhist text. This fascinating project could unlock the origin of printing and type-casting techniques.


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

**ASUU UPDATE**

**Report: 7.01 – ASUU Report**

In a written report to the Board, Trustee Taylor VanderToolen noted the following:

- Events director, Yash Vyas and Trustee VanderToolen have been working with the MUSS board to plan a large tailgate / pep rally the night before the U’s first home football game against SUU
• VP Benvin Lozada working closely with the University Safety Department to find more efficient structures for student participation on the Public Safety Action Committee and working with the Academic Senate to determine ways that ASUU can be involved

• One of the main focuses for the upcoming year is to inform students about all mental health resources available for them across campus and connect students to those resources

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

ACADEMIC SENATE

Report: 8.01 – Academic Senate Report

Academic Senate President Sonia Salari referred Trustees to her written report.

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

ADJOURN

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

At 10:25 a.m., the meeting was adjourned.

The next scheduled meeting will be held on August 9, 2022.


Signed by: Laura Snow

Date approved: 9 August 2022