UNIVERSITY OF UTAH  
BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETING  
JANUARY 9, 2018

TRUSTEES PRESENT
Zach Berger  Anne-Marie Lampropoulos
David Burton (Chair)  David Parkin
Phillip W. Clinger (Vice Chair)  Steve Price
Katie Eccles  Joe Sargetakis
Christian Gardner  Jim Sorenson

UNIVERSITY REPRESENTATIVES PRESENT
Cathy Anderson  Associate Vice President, Budget and Planning
Jonathon Bates  Director, Real Estate Administration
A. Lorris Betz  Interim Senior Vice President, Health Sciences
Martha Bradley  Associate Vice President, Academic Affairs/Dean Undergraduate Studies
Robin Burr  Chief Design and Construction Officer
Mardie Clayton  President, Academic Senate
Fred Esplin  Vice President, Institutional Advancement
Reyn Gallacher  Assistant Dean, David Eccles School of Business
Jeff Herring  Chief Human Resources Officer
Steve Hess  Chief Information Officer
Chris Hill  Special Assistant to the President and Athletic Director
Al Landon  Adjunct Professor/Assistant Dean of Corporate Outreach, David Eccles School of Business
Dan Lundergan  Executive Director, University Hospital Administration
Laura Marks  Liaison to the Board of Trustees
Jennifer McConnell  President, University of Utah Staff Council
Phoebe McNeeley  Research Associate Professor, Geography
Robert C. Muir  Administrative Services, Treasury Services
John Nixon  Vice President, Administrative Services
Chris Nelson  Director, Communications
Jason Perry  Vice President, Government Relations
David W. Pershing  President
Annalisa Purser  Public Relations Specialist
Patricia A. Ross  Chief Strategy Officer and Secretary to the University
Barbara H. Snyder  Vice President, Student Affairs
William J. Warren  Chief Marketing and Communications Officer
Ruth V. Watkins  Senior Vice President, Academic Affairs
Karen West  Executive Assistant, Board of Trustees
Liz Winter  Chief General Counsel

OTHERS
Dan Campbell  Chair, Board of Regents
CALL TO ORDER

Information: 1.01 – Call to Order

The meeting of the Board of Trustees was called to order at 9:34 AM in the S. J. Quinney College of Law, John J. Flynn Faculty Workshop Room. Chair H. David Burton welcomed Trustees, Dan Campbell and others in attendance.

Dan Campbell thanked the Trustees and Presidential Search Committee for their work during this critical process. Campbell indicated that three highly qualified individuals will be interviewed next week with an announcement likely on January 17th.

CHAIR’S REPORT

Action 2.01 – Current Events and Announcements

Chair Burton mentioned a few items of note in the Trustee packets, including calendar events for 2018 and a sign-up sheet being circulated for college convocation in May. This year the School for Cultural and Social Transformation will graduate their first class.

Chair Burton noted that the Founders Day celebration will be held on March 8th. Trustee Joe Sargetakis highlighted the individuals who will receive awards.

Distinguished Alumni
Kate Conyers
Skip Daynes
Marcia Madsen
Charles Sorenson

Honorary Alumnus
Sam and Diane Stewart

PRESIDENT’S REPORT

Action: 3.01 – Honors and Awards to Members of the University Community, Distinguished Visitors and Research

President Pershing noted the written report in the agenda materials. The President mentioned that Saundra Buys, MD, medical oncologist at Huntsman Cancer Institute and a professor of medicine at the University of Utah, was named by Forbes to be among the top breast cancer physicians in the country. Buys is one of only 27 in the nation to receive this recognition. The President was pleased to announce the results of the international scientific contest for the Dream Chemistry Award held in Prague, Czech Republic, and organized by the leading chemistry institutes of the Czech and Polish Academics of Sciences named the winner of the competition as Dr. Jessica R. Kramer. Her research project investigated the protective saccharide coat of cell membranes (glycocalyx) as a tool to design new cancer therapeutics. The Dream Chemistry Award competition is open to scientists under 37 years of age, who have been nominated by respected senior researchers.
A copy of the report is included as Appendix I with the official minutes of this meeting and is on file in the office of the Secretary to the University.

Information: 3.02 – Current Events

The President noted the following upcoming event:

January 13 – 18 – 34th Annual Martin Luther King Jr. Celebrations

SENIOR VICE PRESIDENTS’ REPORTS

Report: 4.01 – Health Science Report

Interim Senior Vice President, A. Lorris Betz noted the University Hospital received the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS) 5-Star rating for overall quality. The CMS’s ratings are based on mortality rates, safety of care, readmission rates, patient experience, effectiveness and timeliness of care, and use of medical images. The University Hospital is among 337 hospitals nationwide and six hospitals in Utah to be named 5-Star Hospitals. Dr. Betz also mentioned that the University of Utah Health received a $24M National Institutes of Health renewal grant to continue funding for the Center for the Structural Biology of Cellular Host Elements in Egress, Trafficking, and Assembly of HIV (CHEETAH). This grant will be distributed over five years and will empower research efforts to explore the fundamental structural biology of the HIV virus, from replication to infection. The CHEETAH Center is housed at the University of Utah Health and collaborates with scientists from eight other academic institutions. Dr. Betz also recognized the Center for Clinical & Translational Science (CCTS) for receiving a perfect score of “10” from reviewers on its $23M National Institutes of Health renewal grant. Receiving a perfect score means the grant will be funded. The renewal will also strengthen the position of all other University of Utah Health grants as a CCTS site in the United States.

Report: 4.02 – Academic Affairs Report

Senior Vice President Ruth Watkins recognized Brennan Payne and Samantha Joel who have been named Association for Psychological Science Rising Stars for 2017. The Rising Star designation recognizes outstanding psychological scientists in the earliest stages of their research career. Brennan Payne recently joined the faculty at the University of Utah through the transformative excellence program. Watkins also noted that today under the general consent agenda, Trustees will have an opportunity to approve two different faculty awards. The Community Engaged Teaching Scholarship Award is new this year. The award recognizes faculty who show a record of successful teaching and research that is carried out through long-term, collaborative community engaged partnerships that address a community-identified need or priority.
GENERAL CONSENT

Action (Consent): 5.01 – Minutes of the December 9 Meetings of the Board of Trustees

Action (Consent): 5.02 – Faculty and Staff Matters (Appendix II)

Action (Consent): 5.03 – Sabbatical Request 2018 - 2019 (Appendix III)

Action (Consent): 5.04 – Recommendation for the 2018 Community Engaged Teaching and Scholarship Award (Appendix IV)

Action (Consent): 5.05 – Recommendation for the 2018 John R. Park Teaching Fellowship (Appendix V)

Action (Consent): 5.06 – Sponsored Projects Report (Appendix VI)

Action (Consent): 5.07 – University Leases (Appendix VII)

Action (Consent): 5.08 – Quarterly Report for Construction Project ($50,000 to $250,000) for the Period of October 1, 2017 – December 31, 2017 (Appendix VIII)

Action (Consent): 5.09 – Report of Investments Portfolio – for the Month of November 2017 (Appendix IX)

Action (Consent): 5.10 – Administrative Reports from the University of Utah to the State Building Board (Appendix X)

Action (Consent): 5.11 – Capital Facilities Projects – Approval to Remodel Space in the School of Dentistry Building for the School of Dentistry (Appendix XI)

Action (Consent): 5.12 – Capital Facilities – Approval to Remodel Space in the Huntsman Cancer Hospital for Huntsman Clinical Operations (Appendix XII)

Action (Consent): 5.13 – Capital Facilities – Approval to Upgrade Huntsman Cancer Hospital Pharmacy (Appendix XIII)

Chair Burton introduced the General Consent Calendar and asked for questions or comments. There were no questions or concerns raised by the Trustees.


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

Action: 6.01 – New Bachelor of Science Degree – Geographic Information Science (GIS)

Phoebe Ncneally, Research Associate Professor in the Department of Geography, presented the new Bachelor of Science Degree in Geographic Information Science (GIS).

The Department of Geography has had instructional and research foci in geographic information science for decades. This field, more commonly termed GIS, is composed of geography concepts allied with technical education in cartography, satellite and aerial imaging/remote sensing, global positioning systems and geospatial statistics, modeling and analysis. The applications of GIS are virtually unlimited from business to natural resources in both the private sector and government.

The proposed program will require students to complete 75-79 course hours in Geography and 12 hours of allied courses in computer science, math and physics. All courses are currently offered and no new course development will be required. A capstone research/external client-focused experience will be required of all students.

The GIS field is one of the fastest growing information technology fields in the world. According to the U.S. Department of Labor, Bureau of Labor Statistics, Occupational Outlook Handbook, the job outlook for GIS/cartographers and remote sensing/photogrammetrists is a 29% increase from 2014-2024. The global GIS market is expected to increase from $8,985.5 million in 2016, to reach $17,510.9 million by 2023, growing at a CAGR of 10.1% during 2017 - 2023. Among the various application areas, government sector has been the largest contributor to the global GIS market, accounting for over 28% of the global revenue in 2016. Increasing urbanization, in addition to the surging adoption of enterprise GIS in developing countries, is expected to bolster the demand for geographic information systems during the forecast period.

No new faculty will be required. The faculty, courses, software and support staff, such as TA lines for GIS lab courses, exist at this time. The new degree program may require limited reallocation, but no additional resources are needed at this time.


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: 6.02 – Real Estate Property Lease – David Eccles School of Business/Education@Work

Reyn Gallacher, Assistant Dean, David Eccles School of Business and Al Landon, Adjunct Professor/Assistant Dean of Corporate Outreach, David Eccles School of Business, introduced the proposed lease for the David Eccles School of Business/Education@Work.

The David Eccles School of Business (DESB) currently leases 12,090 rentable square feet at the American Plaza III building located at 47 West 200 South in downtown Salt Lake City. This space is utilized by Education@Work in partnership with DESB to accomplish the following:
• Provide entry level business experience, including training in customer product sets and customer service operations for DESB students.
• Opportunity for DESB students to learn about consumer-focused companies.
• Offer work hours tailored to student schedules.
• Compensate employment for up to 200 students.
• Award scholarships based on work and student achievement.
• Leadership and advancement opportunities for students.

The current program with Education@Work has been very successful and in order to accommodate forecasted growth and further opportunities for DESB students, the following is a summary of the requested Amendment to the existing Lease Agreement:

American Plaza III – 47 West 200 South, SLC, Utah – Lease Amendment

- 26,553 sf (increase of 14,463 sf)
- Average annual rent: $457.5k (Full Service)
  - Increase of $274.5k
- Total lease term commitment: $2.02M
- Term Remaining: Four (4) years and five (5) months (February 1, 2018 – June 30, 2020)

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


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

INFORMATION AGENDA

Information: 7.01 – Bond Refinancing

John Nixon, Vice President for Administrative Services, gave an overview of the recent bond refinancing. The passage of tax reform has had many impacts on higher education. Congress took away the ability to advance refund bonds. Universities are able to refund bonds on the call date but traditionally have been able to advance refund bonds when the market is right. That consequently put the University in the market on two issuances towards the end of 2017. The first, the University advance refunded four series, a research revenue bond, a hospital revenue bond, and two general revenue bonds. As part of the deal the University also fixed out $43M in variable rate commercial paper, eliminating the Universities variable rate debt. The University no longer has any more variable rate debt. The second issue was done by State Building Ownership Authority (SBOA) on behalf of the university for the Huntsman Cancer Clinical Research Hospital. The University is responsible for the payments on this debt through a lease agreement with the SBOA.
A copy of the Bond Refinancing is included as Appendix XVI respectively, with the official minutes of this meeting and is on file in the office of the Secretary to the University.

**ADJOURN**

Resolution: Chair H. David Burton recommended approval to adjourn the open meeting of the Board of Trustees.

At 10:14 a.m. the January 9, 2018 adjourned.

The next scheduled meeting will be held February 13, 2018.

**Motion to approve by Joe Sargetakis, second by Zach Berger. Final Resolution: Motion Approved.**


Signed by: Laura Marks

Date approved: 13 February 2018