Action Agenda
ACTION AGENDA
MARCH 26, 2010

1. Proposal from the Department of Biological and Irrigation Engineering, College of Engineering, to change the Name of the Department to the Department of Biological Engineering

2. Proposal from the Department of Family, Consumer and Human Development, Emma Eccles Jones College of Education and Human Services, to offer a Master of Marriage and Family Therapy (MMFT) Degree, effective Fall Semester 2010

3. Tenure and Promotion Decisions for 2010 (To be distributed)

4. Tuition Increases for 2010-2011 (To be distributed)
ITEM FOR ACTION

A request from the Department of Biological and Irrigation Engineering in the College of Engineering at Utah State University to change the name of the department to the Department of Biological Engineering.

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

Both the administration of the Irrigation Engineering program and the enrollments associated with the program, have been transferred from the Department of Biological and Irrigation Engineering to the Department of Civil and Environmental Engineering (CEE). The proposed renaming provides a better programmatic alignment for the biological engineering teaching and research efforts of the resulting department.

This proposal was prepared by the Department of Biological and Irrigation Engineering and has been approved by the Dean of the College of Engineering, the Educational Policies Committee, and the Utah State University Faculty Senate.

RECOMMENDATION

Based on the above proposal and approvals as indicated, the President and Provost recommend that the Board of Trustees approve the proposal from the Department of Biological and Irrigation Engineering to change the name of the department to Biological Engineering.
RESOLUTION
UTAH STATE UNIVERSITY
BOARD OF TRUSTEES

WHEREAS, The Department of Biological and Irrigation Engineering proposes to change the name of the department to the Department of Biological Engineering, and

WHEREAS, The proposed name change will reflect the degree offerings in the department, and

WHEREAS, The proposal has been approved by the Dean of the College of Engineering, the Educational Policies Committee and the USU Faculty Senate, and

WHEREAS, The proposal has been approved by the President and Provost of Utah State University;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, That the Utah State University Board of Trustees hereby approve the proposal from the Department of Biological and Irrigation Engineering to change the name of the department to the Department of Biological Engineering, and that this proposal be forwarded to the Utah State Board of Regents of the Utah State System of Higher Education as an information item.

RESOLUTION APPROVED BY THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES

DATE
Section I: The Action

The College of Engineering at Utah State University requests to change the name of the Department of Biological and Irrigation Engineering to the Department of Biological Engineering.

Section II: Need

On December 1, 2009 the Irrigation Engineering Program was transferred to the Department of Civil and Environmental Engineering, which provides a better programmatic alignment for teaching and research efforts in the areas of irrigation systems design and management, water resource management, and optimal use of groundwater and surface water. The proposed new name for the Department of Biological Engineering accurately reflects the teaching and research focus of the department, which includes microbial systems for making bio-products and downstream processes for separating, purifying, and concentrating bio-products, as well as biomanufacturing processes based on synthetic biological engineering principles and practices.

Section III: Institutional Impact

Both the administration of the Irrigation Engineering program and the enrollments associated with the program, have been transferred from the Department of Biological and Irrigation Engineering to the Department of Civil and Environmental Engineering (CEE). All courses aligned with the Irrigation Engineering program will be transferred to the CEE Department, along with the faculty members who teach those courses. The budget associated with teaching those courses will be transferred to the CEE Department, and there is no added financial or personnel burden on the CEE Department.

Section IV: Finances

No new faculty, physical facilities or equipment will be required. No additional costs are involved. The budget for the Irrigation Engineering program that was previously part of the Department of Biological and Irrigation Engineering was transferred to the Department of Civil and Environmental Engineering.
ITEM FOR ACTION

A request from the Department of Family, Consumer and Human Development in the Emma Eccles Jones College of Education and Human Services at Utah State University to offer a Master of Marriage and Family Therapy (MMFT) degree, effective Fall Semester 2010.

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

The proposed MMFT degree aims to expand educational access for students who are currently enrolling in other programs both in and out of Utah to pursue non-thesis, clinical degrees. The master's is the terminal degree for marriage and family therapy clinical work, and most students at USU are interested in becoming excellent clinicians rather than pursuing doctoral degrees. The proposed MMFT degree will require all of the same coursework and requirements as the current Master of Science degree in Family, Consumer and Human Development, but will not include a thesis. Instead of a thesis, students will write and present an integrative Theory of Change paper as their major project, which will help them be better prepared for clinical work. This program will be fully accredited by the Commission on Accreditation for Marriage and Family Therapy Education (COAMFTE) and will qualify students for intern level licensure as a marriage and family therapist in the state of Utah.

This proposal was prepared by the Department of Family, Consumer and Human Development and has been approved by the Dean of the Emma Eccles Jones College of Education and Human Services, the Educational Policies Committee, and the Utah State University Faculty Senate.

RECOMMENDATION

Based on the above proposal and approvals as indicated, the President and Provost recommend that the Board of Trustees approve the proposal from the Department of Family, Consumer and Human Development to offer a Master of Marriage and Family Therapy (MMFT) degree.
RESOLUTION
UTAH STATE UNIVERSITY
BOARD OF TRUSTEES

WHEREAS, The Department of Family, Consumer and Human Development proposes to offer a Master of Marriage and Family Therapy (MMFT) degree, and

WHEREAS, This degree will maintain high standards for clinical potential as well as academic success, and

WHEREAS, This program will be fully accredited by the Commission on Accreditation for Marriage and Family Therapy Education (COAMFTE), and

WHEREAS, There is a strong market for USU’s well-trained clinicians and this program will qualify students for intern level licensure as a marriage and family therapist in the state of Utah, and

WHEREAS, The proposal has been approved by the Dean of the Emma Eccles Jones College of Education and Human Services, the Educational Policies Committee, the Graduate Council, and the USU Faculty Senate, and

WHEREAS, The proposal has been approved by the President and Provost of Utah State University;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, That the Utah State University Board of Trustees hereby approve the proposal from the Department of Family, Consumer and Human Development to offer a Master of Marriage and Family Therapy (MMFT) degree, and that this proposal be forwarded to the Utah Board of Regents of the Utah System of Higher Education as an action item.

RESOLUTION APPROVED BY THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES

DATE
Utah State University
Master's of Marriage and Family Therapy (MMFT)

Section I: The Request

Utah State University requests approval to offer a Master of Marriage and Family Therapy (MMFT) effective Fall Semester 2010.

Section II: Program Description

Complete Program Description

The Department of Family, Consumer, and Human Development (FCHD) in the Emma Eccles Jones College of Education and Human Services at Utah State University proposes a new Master's degree in Marriage and Family Therapy (MMFT), with student admissions to start for Fall Semester, 2010. This degree will require all of the same coursework and requirements as the current MS degree, but will not include a thesis. Instead of a thesis, students will write and present an integrative Theory of Change paper as their major project, which will help them be better prepared for clinical work. This program will be fully accredited by the Commission on Accreditation for Marriage and Family Therapy Education (COAMFTE) and will qualify students for intern level licensure as a marriage and family therapist in the state of Utah.

The FCHD Department at USU is an interdisciplinary unit. The department's instructional, research, and outreach efforts emphasize marriage and family relations, human development from infancy to later life, early childhood education, family financial management, consumer education, and marriage and family therapy. Currently, the Department offers a Master of Science degree with one of the emphases being in Marriage and Family Therapy. The proposed new Masters degree in Marriage and Family Therapy (MMFT) will draw upon existing courses in the FCHD emphases to provide a rigorous curriculum with strong market appeal and utility for the changing needs of USU students. The Master's degree is considered the terminal degree in marriage and family therapy. The thesis option is no longer meeting the needs of many graduates, and makes USU less competitive with other accredited MFT master's degree programs. Feedback from recent graduates suggests that some students put more focus on their thesis work than their clinical work, and many would prefer that the clinical experiences be the emphasis of their learning during graduate training. This new degree will prepare students to be better clinicians combining strong research-based training with hands-on training and a clear academic approach to providing therapy services. No additional courses will be needed to provide this degree. No additional resources will be needed; faculty will supervise MMFT Theory of Change projects for those students who wish to complete the MMFT, and will supervise Master of Science Plan A students who prefer the thesis degree.

The new MMFT degree will require forty-one credit hours in discipline-specific courses, which will prepare students to meet the educational requirements for an intern license to practice marriage and family therapy. Coursework will focus on theory, practice, and research related to the practice of family therapy. As part of the program, students are also required to provide 500 hours of face-to-face therapy contact. The capstone project will be a formal presentation of the students' own integrated model of providing therapy.
Purpose of the Degree

The MMFT degree aims to expand educational access for students who are currently enrolling in other programs both in and out of Utah to pursue non-thesis, clinical degrees. The current master's degree in family therapy requires a thesis; however, a survey of employers who have hired graduates of the current MS degree over the past 15 years show that none of them rated the thesis as being helpful in their hiring practices or in the therapists' jobs. The master's degree is considered the terminal degree and this new degree will allow students to receive their training in Utah and still have a cutting edge education. It will not replace the MS; rather, it will provide some students with an option that may be more relevant and useful for them. A new degree is sought rather than a Plan B option in the existing MS degree to clearly distinguish this as a professional degree. Students will continue to be required to complete rigorous research training, but the emphasis will be on professional practice in the required MFT methods and research content course, evidence-based training in clinical courses, focused training throughout the program on critical thinking in critiquing research, and ethics and practices related to assisting research investigators as well as serving as scientist-practitioners.

Institutional Readiness

All administrative structures to support the MMFT degree currently exist. The FCHD department faculty have approved the addition of the MMFT. Discussions with the accrediting body (Commission on Accreditation for Marriage and Family Therapy [COAMFTE] of the American Association for Marriage and Family Therapy [AAMFT]), confirm that the addition will not add to the burden of the program in the accreditation process. All of USU’s MFT program faculty have served on many accreditation site visits to other institutions, and are very familiar with the accreditation standards and process.

Faculty

The faculty who will support the MMFT degree have all been in their positions for at least 16 years. No additional faculty will be needed to provide this degree. It is anticipated that this new degree will actually lighten the workload of the faculty as many students complete their coursework and then move to take jobs. Working long distance with students to complete their theses requires more time and university resources because students often take extra years to complete the degree. The proposed degree will have a capstone project that students will finish at the end of their two years of coursework. The marketing and recruiting done for the MS degree currently being offered will extend to cover the new degree.

Staff

The MMFT degree will not require any additional staff. Current admission materials, procedures, and advertising can all be easily changed to reflect the new degree option.

Library and Information Resources

No additional library or information resources will be needed for this degree.
Admission Requirements

The admission requirements for the MMFT degree will be the same as for the current MS: pre-requisite undergraduate courses, cumulative undergraduate GPA of 3.0 or higher, and scoring at least in the 45th percentile on the Graduate Record Exam or the Miller's Analogy Test. The program intends to maintain high standards for clinical potential as well as academic success.

External Review and Accreditation

The current MS program in Marriage and Family Therapy is accredited by COAMFTE through the AAMFT. Victoria Matthews, Director of Education Affairs at AAMFT, has informed us that the change will not affect our accreditation and will only require a letter from the Program Director outlining the change.

Projected Enrollment

It is anticipated that five of the six students accepted into the program every year will choose this option.

Section III: Need

Program Need

There is a need for this new degree to attract and admit the best students that are currently being lost to other non-thesis programs. The master's is the terminal degree for marriage and family therapy clinical work, and most students at USU are interested in becoming excellent clinicians rather than pursuing doctoral degrees. Completing a thesis along with the additional practicum hour requirements of the MFT program means that most students take longer than two years to complete the degree. Some take much longer, and yet most do not feel that the thesis is the most valuable part of the training to be a clinician. Many graduates have reported that the most important elements of the MFT program has been the hands-on clinical work under faculty supervision, and the theory of change project, which, in essence, is a Plan B project. Students who do not aspire to doctoral education will be better served with the new degree and a more timely graduation that includes the best quality training. Students who wish to pursue doctoral work and wish to do thesis research to prepare for that will be mentored to successfully complete a thesis as has been done for the 17 years that the MFT program has been offered at USU.

Labor Market Demand

MFT services are increasing in Utah and in all 50 states as well as abroad. One hundred percent of our graduates from the MFT program over the past 16 years have passed the state licensing exam, and all who have sought clinical employment have obtained it. There is a strong market for USU's well-trained clinicians.
Student Demand

To meet accreditation guidelines, USU admits six new MFT students each year. However, some students do not apply to USU because they are seeking a professional graduate degree option. Several students in the USU undergraduate MFT club who are preparing to apply to graduate MFT programs have reported that they applied to institutions besides USU because of this issue. In addition, some of the well-qualified applicants who are admitted later decide to pursue their education elsewhere because they want to focus on clinical training. With the additional attraction of the proposed MMFT degree, it is anticipated that the quality of the applicant pool and of those who accept admission will increase.

Similar Programs

No other institution in the Utah System of Higher Education offers a master's degree in marriage and family therapy.

Collaboration with and Impact on Other USHE Institutions

The Marriage and Family Therapy program director collaborates throughout the system, making regular recruiting visits to Weber and Utah Valley University, and working with contacts at the University of Utah and Southern Utah University. The program actively seeks students from a variety of majors who have met the prerequisite courses required for graduate programs in the department. Traditionally, most applicants have come from family relations, psychology, and social work departments; with over half coming from sister institutions in the USHE system.

Benefits

The quality of students will improve in terms of motivation, commitment, interest, and ability to produce quality work when they can focus on their clinical training rather than thesis research. Students will benefit by this focus on clinical work, making them well-prepared clinicians. Faculty will be able to focus more time on their own research and helping those students who have a true desire to learn to do research by completing a thesis. The department will benefit by having a better graduation rate in terms of time for students to complete degrees. USU will obtain a higher reputation for training clinicians and may be better able to compete nationally for master's students. The state of Utah will benefit by having clinicians who focused on clinical expertise in graduate school.

Consistency with Institutional Mission

The continued offering of a master's degree in Marriage and Family Therapy is consistent with USU's mission as a comprehensive university. Offering a separate professional degree in MMFT remains consistent with that mission.
Section IV: Program and Student Assessment

Program Assessment

The USU MFT program currently is and will continue to be assessed for the highest attainment of educational standards through COAMFTE accreditation. This process is rigorous and relevant. USU’s MFT program has been continually accredited since 1996, often with no stipulations. The faculty will continue to assess the relevancy and rigor of program content each year. The faculty have modified curricula, courses, policies, and procedures annually based on feedback from multiple stakeholders including students, graduates, employers, practicum placement supervisors, and their own observations.

Students will be assessed in the new program in the same fashion as in the MS: coursework activity and accomplishment, grades, and feedback on clinical work as well as ongoing feedback on their developing approaches to therapy, which is the Theory of Change and Therapy project. The program will also be assessed through graduation rates, internship placement post-graduation, and ongoing career development.

Expected Standards of Performance

Students will be expected to perform at the same high level as currently in place for the MS. Competencies are assessed through established benchmarks in coursework and professional development, as well as through the AAMFT’s list of MFT Core Competencies.

Section V: Finance

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As stated in the proposal, this is a minor change to an existing degree. This degree is identical to the existing MS in Family, Consumer and Human Development with the exception that the students in the MMFT complete a project in place of a thesis. There are no additional costs associated with this program.
Committees
COMMITTEE MEETING AGENDAS
MARCH 26, 2010

I. Audit Committee Meeting

8:00 a.m.
University Inn, Room 511
(David Cook, Robert Foley, Ronald Jibson)

II. Regional Campus System Committee Meeting

1:00 p.m.
University Inn, Room 511
(Robert Foley, Ronald W. Jibson)
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AUDIT COMMITTEE
UNIVERSITY INN, ROOM 511
MARCH 26, 2010
8:00 A.M.

I. Action Item

Minutes of the Audit Committee Meeting held on January 10, 2010

II. Information Item

Review of Final External Audit Reports and Management Letters

A. Utah State University
   1. Management Letter
   2. Financial Statements

B. Utah State University Research Foundation
   1. Management Letter
   2. Financial Statements

C. Athletics Department Agreed-Upon Procedures

D. Utah Public Radio Financial Statements

E. Edith Bowen Laboratory School Financial Statements

III. Other

Audit Committee Members

David P. Cook, Chairman
Robert L. Foley, Vice Chairman
Ronald W. Jibson
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March 2010

Events, Actions, or Issues since the Last Trustee’s Meeting

**USU Professor Given Position on National Coalition**

Lindsey Shirley, an assistant professor at USU and USU Extension clothing and textile specialist, was selected to serve a three-year term on the board of directors for the National Family and Consumer Sciences Education Association. She will also represent the FCSEA on the National Coalition for Family and Consumer Sciences Education. Professor Shirley was chosen while at the American Association of Family and Consumer Sciences 100th Anniversary Conference in June 2009.

**Program Director at USU receives National Award**

The U.S. Department of Agriculture recognized Hector Mendiola, director of the USU Cooperative Extension Hispanic/Latino Families Education Network, with a 2009 National Award for Diversity at their November meeting of the Association of Public and Land Grant Universities. This program, during its eight years of operation, has aided more than 1,000 individuals in their efforts to get better jobs or to further their education.

**Member of USU’s Department of Environment and Society Receives Award**

Barbara Middleton, a staff member in USU’s Environment and Society Department and interpretive specialist, was named ‘2009 Citizen Forester of the Year’ by the Utah Community Forest Council and the Utah Chapter of the International Society of Arboriculture. Middleton was recognized, among many things, for her efforts in planning and helping to plant 106 trees at North Logan City’s cemetery and Elk Ridge Park. She is also involved in other endeavors such as developing interpretive signs and exhibits for parks, trailheads, historical sites, and urban areas.

**Gold Medal Goes to USU Engineering Team at National Competition**

The Utah State International Genetically Engineered Machine (iGEM) team went up against more than 110 teams during the 2009 iGEM Jamboree and earned a gold medal. In this synthetic biology competition, students are given at the beginning of summer a biological kit which they are to use to build biological systems that they will operate within living cells. The USU iGEM team is made up of high school, undergraduate, and graduate students.
USU Debate Team Champions of Northwest Forensic Conference

After competing against 21 other universities and colleges at a tournament held at Pacific University in Forest Grove, Oregon, the USU Speech and Debate team won not only the tournament, but also took first place in the conference for the sixth time. Despite losing all but two of last year’s championship team members, USU was able to gain the most points after attending the three conference tournaments of the year, thus earning the championship.

National Book Award Goes to USU Assistant Professor of Political Science

The Richard F. Fenno, Jr. Prize went to Damon Cann for his book entitled “Sharing the Wealth: Member Contributions and the Exchange Theory of Party Influence in the House of Representatives.” This prize, given to the author of the best book in legislative studies each year, is named for Richard Fenno, an American political scientist who made ground-breaking work on the US Congress and its members. Cann is an assistant professor in the political science department of USU.

USU Student Receives Norman Mailer Award

John Gilmore is the first recipient of the Norman Mailer College Nonfiction Writing Award, which the National Council of Teachers of English (NCTE) and the Norman Writers Colony plan to award annually. Gilmore will be the recipient of a trophy, a summer fellowship to the Norman Writers Colony in Provincetown, Mass., and an award of $10,000. John Gilmore is an undergraduate student at USU in the department of English.

Utah Public Relations Student of the Year Given to USU Student

The fourth annual Utah PR Student of the Year award, given by the Public Relations Society of America (PRSA) Greater Salt Lake Chapter, went to Courtney Lewis, a communications major from Utah State University. Students competed for this award and the $1000 cash prize by completing a full PR plan for Utah Food Allergy Network, the 2009 nonprofit client. Lewis was chosen out of 20 students from five universities from Utah and Idaho who vied for the award.

USU Speech and Debate Team Win Northwest Conference

The USU Speech and Debate team returned from their last conference tournament as the 6th time Northwest Forensic Conference champions. Competing against 21 other colleges and universities at Pacific University in Forest Grove Oregon, USU not only took first place in the conference, but also first place at the tournament. The conference championship is given to the school who has accumulated the most points after attending the three conference tournaments. Taking the conference this year was a challenge for USU due to graduation and marriage, there were only two returning members from last year’s conference team.
Awards and Honors

Susan Crowley, Department of Psychology, EEJ College of Education and Human Services. 2009 Fellow, Society for Personality Assessment.

Ronald B. Gillam, Department of Communicative Disorders and Deaf Education, EEJ College of Education and Human Services, was named the Haydn Williams Fellow, Curtin University of Technology, Perth, Western Australia.

Ronald B. Gillam, Department of Communicative Disorders and Deaf Education, EEJ College of Education and Human Services, received the 2009 Editors Award for the article of highest merit from the Journal of Speech, Language, and Hearing Research.

Ronald B. Gillam, Department of Communicative Disorders and Deaf Education, EEJ College of Education and Human Services, was named as a principal member of the Special Education Research Review Panel, Institute of Education Sciences, U.S. Department of Education.

Publications


**Articles**


Judith Holt, Department of Special Education and Rehabilitation, EEJ College of Education and Human Services. Holt, Judith; Hammond, Marilyn; Sheen, Jeff; Romero, A. *Youth Advocacy & Guidebook. Independent Living Research Utilization in Collaborations with Center for Persons with Disabilities.* ILRU. 2009.


J. Freeman King, Department Communicative Disorders and Deaf Education, EEJ College of Education and Human Services. King, J. Freeman; Hearing Parents and the Child Who is Deaf: The Pathological vs. the Socio-cultural Model of Deafness (invited article); Exceptional Family (Canada’s Resource Magazine for Parents of Exceptional Children; Vol. 4, No. 4; Summer, 2009; pp. 30-33.

J. Freeman King, Department Communicative Disorders and Deaf Education, EEJ College of Education and Human Services. King, J. Freeman; Hearing Parents and the Child Who is Deaf: Ideas for Assuring Educational, Social, and Linguistic Success; Exceptional Family (Canada’s Resource Magazine for Parents of Exceptional Children; Vol. 4, No. 3; Spring, 2009; pp. 11-15.


Charlie Huenemann, Department of Languages, Philosophy, & Speech Communication, published “Nietzschean Health and the Inherent Pathology of Christianity” in the *British Journal for the History of Philosophy*, volume 18, number 1, pp. 73-89, January 2010.


Carol McNamara, Department of Political Science, POLIS, Volume 26, Number 2, *The Political Thought of Xenophon*, Chapter titled "Socratic Politics in Xenophon’s Memorabilia," 2009.


Books


Articles, Chapters, Books with Undergraduate and Graduate Co-Authors

MieJung Park, David A. York, and Hyoungil Oh (graduate student), Department of Biology, College of Science, had an article titled "Enterostatin Affects Cyclic AMP and ERK Signaling Pathways to Regulate Agouti-related Protein (AgRP) Expression" published in Peptides 2009 30:181-190.

Edmund D. Brodie Jr., Michael E. Pfrender, and Chris R. Feldman (graduate student), Department of Biology, College of Science, and Edmund D. Brodie III, had an article titled "The Evolutionary Origins of Beneficial Alleles during the Repeated Adaptation of Garter Snakes to Deadly Prey" published in PNAS 2009 103:13415-13420.

Frank J. Messina and Jake C. Jones (undergraduate student), Department of Biology, College of Science, had an article titled "Does Rapid Adaptation to a Poor-quality Host by Callosobruchus maculatus (F.) Cause Cross-adaptation to Other Legume Hosts?" published in Journal of Stored Products Research 2009 45:215-219.


James Pitts and Joe Wilson (graduate student), Department of Biology, College of Science, had an article titled "Description of the Female of Acrophotopsis (Hymenoptera: Mutilidae) and Synonymy of Sphaerophalma dirce" published in Journal of Hymenoptera Research 2009 18:205-211. UAES no. 8063.
Piotr Dobrowolski, Lisa M. Berreau, and James J. Danford (graduate student), Department of Chemistry & Biochemistry, College of Science, had an article titled “Thioester Hydrolysis Reactivity of an Fe(III)Zn(II) Complex” published in *Inorganic Chemistry* 2009 48:11352-11361.


M. B. Hooten and A. R. Cangelosi (graduate student), Department of Mathematics & Statistics, College of Science, had an article titled “Models for Bounded Systems with Continuous Dynamics” published in *Biometrics* 2009 65:850-856.


**Presentations**

Daniel Drost, Department of Plants, Soils and Climate, College of Agriculture, presented an invited paper titled, "What Roots can Tell us about Plant Productivity" to the faculty of Leibniz-Institute for Vegetable and Plant Quality Research in Grossbeeren, Germany, December 1-2, 2009.
Joseph Li, Department of Biology, College of Science, along with David Clark, Christopher Peterson, and Uyen Lam (undergraduate students), and Tina Yu Hu and Changuyen Dong, presented a poster titled "Molecular and Mechanistic Insights into Bluetongue Virus Oncolyis of Human Cancer Cells: A Potential Candidate of Virotherapy for Human Cancer" at the 12th SCBA International Symposium, Taipei, Taiwan, 15 July 2009.

Joseph Li, Department of Biology, College of Science, along with Christopher Peterson, Uyen Lam (undergraduate students) and David Clark, Jun Hu, and Changuyen Dong, presented a poster titled "Apoptosis Profiles and Insights into the Oncolytic Bluetongue Virus: A New Player for the Selective Lysis of and Viraltherapeutics for Human Cancer Cells" at the 10th International Symposium on Double-Stranded Viruses, Hamilton Island, Australia, 21-25 June 2009.

Carol von Dohlen, Department of Biology, College of Science, presented a plenary lecture titled "Aphid Molecular Systematics: History, Progress and Prospects" at the Eighth International Symposium on Aphids in Catania, Sicily, 9-13 June 2009.

Edward W. Evans, Department of Biology, College of Science, presented "Dynamics and Impact of Coccinella septempunctata as an Invasive Lady Beetle in North America" at the International Organization of Biological Control Conference on Benefits and Risks Associated with Exotic Biological Control, Engelberg, Switzerland, 6-9 September 2009.

Timothy A. Gilbertson, Department of Biology, College of Science, presented a plenary lecture titled "Insulin Regulates the Function of Epithelial Sodium Channels and Salt Taste Preference" at the 7th International Symposium on Molecular & Neural Mechanisms of Taste and Olfactory Perception in Fukuoka, Japan, 3-4 November 2009. Co-author on the presentation was Arian F. Baquero.

Lisa M. Berreau, Department of Chemistry & Biochemistry, College of Science, presented a seminar titled "Synthetic and Mechanistic Investigations of CO-releasing Divalent Nickel Acidreductone Complexes" at the Institute of Catalysis and Surface Chemistry, Polish Academy of Science, Krakow, Poland, 7 October 2009 and at the Silesian University of Technology, Gliwice, Poland, 8 October 2009.

Todd Campbell, School of Teacher Education and Leadership, EEJ College of Education and Human Services, Campbell, T. International Classroom Instructions Observed from the Perspectives of Current Reform in Science Education. (2009 December) Invited Seminar, Lakehead University, Thunder Bay, Ontario, Canada.


Contracts and Grants

Timothy A. Gilbertson, Department of Biology, College of Science, received a grant of $694,349 from National Institutes of Health – National Institute for Diabetes, Digestive and Kidney Diseases (NIMH-NIDDK) for “Mechanisms of Peripheral Fat Detection” from 1 September 2009 to 31 August 2011.

Diane Alston, Department of Biology, College of Science, was a member of a group which received $637,519 from USDA CSREES OAREI for “Organic Stone Fruit Production: Optimizing Water Use, Fertility, Pest Management, Fruit Quality and Economics” from 1 September 2009 to 31 August 2013.

Alvan Hengge, Department of Chemistry & Biochemistry, College of Science, received a grant for $812,216 from the National Institutes of Health for “Mechanisms of Phosphoryl Transfer” from 30 September 2009 to 31 August 2011.


Judith Holt, Department of Special Education and Rehabilitation, EEJ College of Education and Human Services. The Utah Traumatic Brain Injury Partnership Implementation Grant. Funding Agency: Utah Division of People with Disabilities/Maternal and Child Health Bureau, HRSA, DHHS Funding Level: $1,000,000 (subcontract $280,000). Duration: April 1, 2009 – June 30, 2013.


Jared C. Schultz & Michael J. Millington, Co-Principal Investigators, Department of Special Education and Rehabilitation, EEJ College of Education and Human Services. Establishing Distance Based Technical Assistance Program for the Rehabilitation Services Administration– Supplemental Funding to the National Clearinghouse of Rehabilitation Training Materials. Rehabilitation Services Administration (RSA), Office of Special Education and Rehabilitative Services (OSERS), U.S. Department of Education, $120,000. Funded October 2009-September 2010. (F&A, $9,600).

Derrik Tollefson - Principal Investigator, David Kondrat - Co-Principal Investigator, Department of Sociology, Social Work and Anthropology, Evaluation of the State of Utah Division of Substance Abuse and Mental Health’ PASSAGE program, $80,000 annually for 5 years, Awarded December 12, 2009.

Smith, Barton. Transient Mixed Convection Facility for CFD Validation Data, DOE. $170,575.

Smith, Barton. USU Scholarship Educational Program to Increase Nuclear Engineering Workforce, NRC. $199,341.

Zhan, Jixun. Engineered biosynthesis of herboxidiene analogs for novel anti-cholesterol agents. PI. $308,000.
Michelle Baker, National Science Foundation, 15 August 2009 - 31 July 2013 “Collaborative Research: Using Empirical and Modeling Approaches to Quantify the Importance on Nutrient Spiraling in Rivers" $152,647


Joan Hevel, National Science Foundation, 1 July 2009 - 30 June 2012, “ARRA: Protein Arginine Methylation by PRMT1" $575,200.


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Events, Actions, or Issues since Last Trustee's Meeting:

Finance:

- The Certificate of Treasurer for January 2010 is included in the Trustees Consent Agenda. The State Appropriated Funds budget at 31 January 2010 totaled $250,610,894, down $7,435,992 (2.88%) from the same 2008-2009 period. The year-to-date state appropriated funds expenditures totaled $128,455,665, down $9,514,714 (6.90%) from the same 2008-2009 period and represented 51% of the total budget. The percent of budget expended, 51%, was 7% less than would be expected to be spent on a strict time of budget year expired basis. Total expenditures for all funds totaled $331,487,033, down $823,586 (0.25%) from the same 2008-2009 period.

- The Report of Investments for January 2010 is included in the Trustees Consent Agenda. Included in the Report of Investments are schedules reporting the investment activity for January 2010 and comparative year-to-date totals for FY2009-2010 and FY2008-2009. The schedules include the Cash Management Investment Pool, Endowment Pool, Other Investments, Endowment Trusts, and Plant Fund Trusts. The University's average daily fair value invested for the month of January was $353,035,581. Purchases totaled $50,352,144 and sales totaled $18,314,640. From this activity the University realized net gains of $9,099 and earnings of $896,662. The Cash Management Investment Pool fiscal year-to-date annualized rate of return, including market fluctuations, was 4.29% at 31 January 2010. The Endowment Pool fiscal year-to-date annualized rate of return, including market fluctuations, was 18.51% at 31 January 2010.

Facilities:

- College of Agriculture—the program for this project is complete, the contract for design services has been signed, and the design kick-off meeting was held on September 17. The overall plan is to begin design, select a construction manager general contractor, and complete the site package in time to begin construction in early May. Jacobsen Construction was selected as the CM/GC. The primary reason to move as quickly as possible is to get the heavy excavation and foundation work done during the summer months when less traffic and students are on campus. This is a very challenging schedule for the design team but would work best for the campus if it can be accomplished. At the fourth design workshop, we were $1.7M over. We continue to find ways to trim the budget.

- Agriculture Research Service—this federal project has had the program kick-off meeting; the same firm is doing the programming that did the College of Agriculture project and it is intended that the two projects complement each other even though they will probably be constructed at different times. The Program is now complete and lease agreements with the University are being finalized.

- USTAR - AJC and Payette were selected as designers, Gramoll selected as CMGC. Ground breaking was held Oct 17. Construction is approximately 65% complete. GMP has been established at $48.4 M. Rocky Mountain Power is providing permanent power From Green Canyon station. The project is progressing well.

- Bingham Entrepreneurship and Energy Research Center (BEERC) - Location due south of UCAT site. Donor funds available, program finished. Design Build was selected as the construction delivery method. Construction is 70% complete and progressing well. Anticipated completion date is August 1, 2010.

- Emma Eccles Jones Early Childhood Education Center (EEJECEC) – Spindler Construction is the CMGC and Jacoby was selected as the designer. Construction is at 65% complete. Interior finishes work is beginning such as painting. Sheetrock work is continuing. Spindler’s target completion date is July 1, 2010.
• Utah Botanical Center Classroom – New 4,200 sq. ft. classroom at UBC site. AJC has done the planning and programming documents and has been hired as the project’s architect. Contractor selection is planned for mid-April. The completion target date is January 2011.

**Upcoming Events, Actions or Issues:**
Extension/
Cont Ed
Noelle E. Cockett, Vice President for Extension & Agriculture; Dean of the College of Agriculture March 2010

The Utah Agricultural Experiment Station (UAES) published the most recent issue of Utah Science in February. The issue focuses on research being done at the UAES Kaysville Research Farm and the Utah Botanical Center, and includes stories about current research in biofuel production, native plant preservation and propagation, water requirements for Utah landscapes, and improving raspberry and blackberry production.

DeeVon Bailey, Professor in Applied Economics, received the Distinguished Scholar Award from the Western Agricultural Economics Association, recognizing his contributions to agricultural, natural resources and environmental economics. Bailey's most recent UAES-supported research has focused on enhancing competitiveness of U.S. beef, meat traceability, impacts of food supply chains in Utah and the economics of farm security.

Extension professional Dallas Hanks was named in the Deseret News article The Next Ten Years: People to Watch. Hanks is referred to in the article as an "alternative energy guru" for his work on the FreeWays to Fuel project. The FreeWays to Fuel National Alliance (F2F) was started to investigate the use of non-traditional agronomic lands for the growth of biofuel feedstock crops across the country. Hanks introduced the project to the Utah Department of Transportation (UDOT) in 2006 and currently oversees general operations including development and direction of the project.

Utah State University Extension co-sponsored the Northern Utah Marriage Celebration. Designed as a date night for individuals and couples who want to prepare for or strengthen their marriage, the celebration features workshops presented from marriage and family professionals. Topics include communication, intimacy, money management, protecting marriage and others.

Utah State University Extension 4-Her Kelcie Thomas was among 10 teens selected by Coca-Cola to serve as a torchbearer for the Vancouver 2010 Olympic Torch Relay. Thomas' selection was based on her involvement in a community-oriented program showing dedication in the area of balanced living. The Oak City native helped educate over 245,000 elementary school children about healthy eating and exercise habits through her project, "Creating a Healthier You."

A full slate of monthly classes, workshops, plant sales and other events is set for the growing season at the Ogden Botanical Garden and Utah Botanical Center. The schedule may be viewed online at utahbotanicalcenter.org/htm/education/adults.
Brian Higginbotham, Utah State University Extension family life specialist, received the Early Career Achievement Award in November at the annual meeting of the National Council on Family Relations in San Francisco. The national award honors a Cooperative Extension state specialist in family life and human development who has made a significant impact in the field within the first seven years of his or her career. Higginbotham was recognized for his research and work in several critical family and human development areas, including adolescent development, marital relations and stepfamily dynamics, particularly among low-resource and ethnically diverse populations. Higginbotham has secured nearly $5 million in external funding to support this work in just the last four years and was appointed to serve on the Utah Commission on Marriage.

Hector Mendiola, Utah State University Extension Director of the program for Latino communities, received the 2009 National Extension Diversity Award at the 122nd annual meeting for the Association of Public and Land-grant Universities in Washington, D.C. Mendiola was chosen by the National Extension Diversity Task Force to receive the award. In addition to a cash award given by the Extension Committee on Organization and Policy, the USDA provided Mendiola with a travel grant. Mendiola’s award was in recognition of his work as project coordinator for the USU Extension Hispanic/Latino Families Education Network. The network is a highly collaborative program for Hispanic/Latino populations focusing on building life skills, English/Spanish language acquisition and computer technology. Mendiola has brought to fruition a program that is supportive of parents, children and families in the Hispanic/Latino community through the creative partnerships between USU Extension, school districts, the Mexican government, the Monterrey Technological Institute and the USU Charter Credit Union.

Utah State University department of Applied Economics authors Ruby Ward, Paul Jakus and Dillon Feuz recently completed a comprehensive study of Utah agriculture’s contribution to Utah’s overall economy. According to their research, agriculture production in Utah amounts to $1.5 billion in total direct output and employs more than 14,000 people, according to a recent study by Utah State University. If the multiplying effect is included, agriculture production causes $2.3 billion in economic output and accounts for 19,500 jobs.

USU Extension, Utah Farm Bureau, the chambers of commerce in Duchesne and Uintah counties and Uintah County and the USDA-Risk Management Agency collaborated to sponsor the seventh annual Diversified Agriculture Conference Feb. 24 to 26 in Vernal. The conference is designed to benefit agricultural producers who would like additional tools to help manage their businesses. It focuses on more than traditional agriculture, including recreation, tourism, direct marketing, farmers’ markets and further processing.
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The Utah Legislature adjourned sine die just before midnight on March 11th. Although there was a lot of final-week activity, the higher education budget scenario outlined in week six held. The proposed additional base-budget cuts of 5% were eliminated, and an ongoing backfill of 3% was implemented. This means that our new base budget cut over FY2009 is now approximately 14% (adjusted from 17%). These figures constitute the original 9% cut taken for the FY2010 budget (equalling approximately $13 million for USU), plus an additional 5% (approximately $8 million) for FY2011.

The FY2011 numbers mean that there will still be a significant impact on USU as a 5% cut will be implemented for next fiscal year (July 1, 2010 to June 30, 2011). However, thanks to prudent management and planning from the USU Budget Reduction Committee in collaboration with deans and department heads, there will be a smaller cut than anticipated. This means that the likelihood of FY2011 furloughs is small, and the University will have an opportunity to lessen the impact of cuts in certain areas. Although a 14% cut over FY2009 is serious, it is significantly better than the 22% cut proposed earlier in the session. We are grateful for the diligent work of our legislators and the Governor’s office for helping to permanently restore a portion of the onetime backfill to higher education from last session.

The final week of the session brought with it several newly approved higher education buildings. SB 282 authorized and paid for the construction of buildings at Dixie State College ($35 million), Utah Valley University ($45 million), and Salt Lake Community College ($29 million). In addition to that bill, the Legislature approved 1SB 280 which included the authorization to release the $43.1 million bond approved in 2008 for the USU College of Agriculture (COA) Building. Although authorized in 2008, these funds were contingent of federal dollars because a combined federal and state building was anticipated. As the planning process proved the necessity for two separate federal and state buildings, USU sought the release of the state funds to immediate begin construction.

Final approval for the 1SB 280 happened in the final hours of the session thanks to hard work of conference committee members Senator Hillyard, Representative Hunsaker, Senator Niederhauser, Representative Gowans, Senator Goodfellow, and Representative Last who worked out a disagreement over a state hospital funding amendment. A spring groundbreaking for USU COA building is anticipated on the USU Quad. Construction of the federal Agricultural Research Service building, to be located on the Quad adjacent to the COA building, will follow as funds become available from the federal government (approximately $17 million has been banked for the federal ARS project to date). Additionally, 1SB 280 authorized the necessary bonding to finish construction on the USTAR buildings at USU ($18.4 million) and the University of Utah ($27.6 million).
In other funding bills, the operations and maintenance for the USU COA building was authorized at a level of $493,000. These funds will combine with the existing O&M on the Peterson Ag Building for a total of approximately $900,000. Additionally, $500,000 in one-time funds was appropriated for transition costs associated with the USU/CEU merger (which should be signed into law by the Governor soon). $3 million in non-state funding was also approved for a USU classroom building at the Utah Botanical Center. This building will be constructed with donated and other non-state funds.

Below is a list of some of the notable legislation related to the Utah System of Higher Education and USU:

**BILLS THAT PASSED (some still pending the Governor’s signature)**

- **HB 2, Bigelow, Fiscal Year 2010 and Fiscal Year 2011 Supplemental Appropriations**- This bill supplements or reduces appropriations previously provided for the use and support of state government for the fiscal years beginning Jul1, 2009 and ending June 30, 2010 and beginning July 1, 2010 and ending June 30, 2011.

- **5HB 3, S Clark, Revenue Bond and Capital Facilities Authorizations**- This bill authorizes certain state agencies and higher education institutions to issue revenue bonds, to build capital facilities using agency, institutional, or donated funds, or to sell, lease, or dispose of property.

- **HB 6, Dec, State Agency Compensation Appropriations**- This bill supplements or reduces appropriations previously provided for the use and operation of state government. The bill funds compensation changes for state employees for the fiscal years beginning July 1, 2009 and ending June 30, 2010 and beginning July 1, 2010 and ending June 30, 2011.

- **HB 27, Frank, Per Diem and Travel Expense Modifications**- this bill modifies per diem and travel expense language used for boards, commissions, councils, and committees.

- **3HB 78, Sandstrom, Weapons Revisions**- This bill modifies weapons provisions of the Utah Criminal Code on carrying, displaying, and using a dangerous weapon. This bill clarifies when a person may threaten or display a dangerous weapon in self defense.

- **HB 107, Seelig, Animal Shelter Amendments**- This bill amends provisions of the Utah Code relating to an animal shelter providing an animal to be used for research or educational purposes.

- **1HB 114, Wimmer, Disclosure of Donations to Higher Education Institutions**- This bill requires education institutions to disclose certain gifts. The bill requires a higher education institution to disclose to the Board of Regents certain gifts received from a foreign person and provides the method of disclosure.

- **HB 138, Moss, Hazing Penalties**- This bill amends provisions of the Utah Criminal Code relating to hazing.

- **1HB 196, Ray, Tobacco Tax Revisions**- This bill amends the Cigarette and Tobacco Tax Act by increasing the tax rates on the sale, use, storage, or distribution of tobacco products in the state for the 2010-11 fiscal year and allowing the rates to fluctuate in subsequent years.

- **HB 215, Garn, Amendments to Public Employees’ Benefit and Insurance Program Act**- This bill amends the Public Employee’s Benefit and Insurance Program Act risk pools. This bill changes the number of eligible full-time enrollees an institution of higher education must have in order to participate in the program’s risk pools.
• **HB 233, Ipson, Retirement Office Amendments** - This bill modifies the Utah State Retirement and Insurance Benefit Act by amending provisions related to appointment of board members, purchase of service credit, disability benefits, and termination of employment on the retirement date.

• **1HB 370, S Clark, Capital Project Amendments** - This bill amends capital development provisions.

• **1HB 425, Bigelow, Budgetary Procedures Act- Fee Amendments** - This bill modifies provisions of the Budgetary Procedures Act that address fees.

• **HB 435, Ipson, Dixie State College- Nonprofit Entities** - This bill allows Dixie State College to form nonprofit corporations or foundations for certain purposes.

• **HR 1, Oda, Healthy Family Partnership House Resolution** - This resolution encourages the Utah State Board of Education and the Utah State Board of Regents, as resources permit, to ensure that all...post-secondary education programs in the state provide...materials on the dangers of family and dating violence.

• **HCR 18, Dee, Workforce Needs Concurrent Resolution** - This concurrent resolution of the Legislature and the Governor strongly urges the State Board of Regents to study and review certain workforce needs in Northern Utah and to report its findings to the Legislature and the Governor.

• **SB 1, Hillyard, State Agency and Higher Education Budget** - This bill appropriates funds for the support and operation of state government for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2010 and ending June 30, 2011.

• **1SB 3, Hillyard, Current Fiscal Year supplemental Appropriations** - This bill supplements or reduces appropriations previously provided for use and operation of state government for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2009 and ending June 30, 2010.

• **3SB 43, Liljenquist, Post-Retirement Employment Amendments** - This bill modifies the Utah State Retirement and Insurance Benefit Act by amending provisions related to a retiree who returns to work for a participating employer and to maximum retirement allowance restrictions.

• **2SB 52, Stowell, State Board of Regents Amendments** - This bill modifies provisions related to appointments to the State Board of Regents. This bill requires the governor to appoint at least one member to the Board of Regents from each county that contains a credit-granting higher education institution and provides for transition provisions. This was amended to require the Board of Regents to approve a Electronics Engineering degree at Weber State University.

• **SB 55, Adams, Authorization of Charter Schools by Higher Education Institutions** - this bill allows a board of trustees of a higher education institution to authorize the establishment and operation of a charter school and specifies the responsibilities of a board of trustees that authorizes a charter school.

• **3SB 63, Liljenquist, New Public Employees’ Tier II Contributory Retirement Act** - This bill modifies the Utah State Retirement Insurance Benefit Act to provide for modified retirement benefits for new public employees.

• **1SB 69, Hinkins, College of Eastern Utah Affiliation with Utah State University** - This bill establishes Utah State University-College of Eastern Utah as a comprehensive regional college of Utah State University.
• **SB 89, Urquhart, Legal Notice Amendments** - this bill requires the advertising of tuition increase on the Utah Public Notice Website 10 days prior to the meeting as well as in the student newspaper.

• **SB 95, Niederhauser, Utah Educational Savings Plan Amendments** - This bill modifies provisions related to the Utah Educational Savings Plan. The bill amends the governance and oversight authority of the State Board of Regents for the UESP. Modifies UESP by clarifying plan’s name, powers, and duties. Beginning in 2011 eliminates requirement to reduce value of the UESP tax credit when the CPI decreases from year to year.

• **SB 132, Valentine, Higher Education Scholarship Amendments** - this bill makes adjustments to the New Century scholarship and the Regents’ scholarship.

• **SB 171, Liljenquist, Higher Education Retirement Amendments** - This bill modifies the Utah State Retirement and Insurance Benefit Act by amending participation provisions for higher education employees.

• **SB 189, Bramble, Capital Facilities Amendments** - This bill amends provisions regarding capital projects accounting and use of project reserve money.

• **SB 259, Christensen, Amendments to Tobacco Tax** - This bill amends provisions of the Cigarette and Tobacco Tax Act.

• **SB 282, Bramble, Capital Facilities Appropriations** - This bill appropriates money for capital facilities.

• **SJR 15, Master Study Resolution** - This joint resolution of the Legislature gives the Legislative Management Committee items of study it may assign to the appropriate interim committee. This includes studies on the Board of Regents, capital facilities, degree opportunities, and other areas.

**BILLS THAT DID NOT PASS**

• **HB 134, Vickers, Education Donation Tax Credit** - This bill creates a nonrefundable tax credit for certain contributions to public education and higher education institutions.

• **HB 190, Mascaro, Disclosure of Methamphetamine Contaminated Property Act Amendments** - This bill modifies provisions of the Disclosure of Methamphetamine Contaminated Property Act.

• **HB 194, Last, Grants for Math Teacher Training** - The bill appropriates money to the State Board of Education to award grants to institutions of higher education or nonprofit education organizations for math teacher training programs. The bill specifies the qualifications of individuals eligible to receive training; and requires the State Board of Education to make rules establishing criteria for awarding grants for math teacher training programs.

• **HB 359, Ipson, Utah Retirement System Modifications** - Bill numbered by Title without any substance.

• **HB 410, Moss, Hazing Policies for Higher Education Institutions** - Bill numbered by Title without any substance.

• **HB 428, Greenwood, Nonresident Tuition Amendments** - This bill repeals an exemption from the nonresident portion of total tuition within the State System of Higher Education.

• **HB 460, Dee, Board of Regents Amendments** - This bill requires the Board of Regents to approve an electronics engineering program at Weber State University. This language was integrated into 2SB 52 and passed the Legislature.
- HJR 24, Oda, Joint Resolution on Equal Treatment By Government- This joint resolution of the Legislature proposes to amend the Utah Constitution to enact a provision prohibiting discrimination and preferential treatment by government entities.
- SB 35, Niederhauser, Capital Facilities Bonds Amendments- This bill modifies the terms for issuing general obligation bonds for a capital facility project. This bill removes the prerequisites for issuing and selling general obligation bonds for the Utah State University Agricultural Science Classroom Building capital facility project. This language was incorporated by 1SB 280 and passed the Legislature.
- 1SB 40, Christensen, Cigarette and Tobacco Tax Amendments- This bill addresses the tax on cigarettes and tobacco products. This was integrated into SB 259 and passed the Legislature.
- SB 42, Liljenquist, Retirement Eligibility Modifications- This bill modifies the Utah State Retirement and Insurance Benefit Act by amending the years of service credit needed for retirement eligibility and allowance reductions for certain members.
- SB 94, Liljenquist, Supplemental Benefit Amendments for Noncontributory Public Employees- This bill modifies the Public Employees' Noncontributory Retirement Act by amending provisions related to the supplemental defined contribution for certain employees.
- SB 184, Christensen, Establishing a State Dental School- Bill numbered by Title without any substance.

It is important for the USU community to recognize the support of our friends in the Legislature and in the Governor's office. As important as it was to contact the Legislature and Governor on issues important to higher education, it is equally important to acknowledge our gratitude for the hard work done on our behalf. USU is especially grateful to the Legislators from Cache Valley and beyond who consistently demonstrate leadership and support on our behalf. Those who are retiring will be sorely missed. Should you wish to contact your elected officials, you may find information at the websites below:

- For more about the Legislature and specific bills, visit: http://le.state.ut.us/.
- For the Governor's website, visit: http://www.utah.gov/governor/index.html.
- To find a State Senator or Representative, visit: http://le.state.ut.us/GIS/findDistrict.jsp.

For questions or comments about any information above, please contact Michael Kennedy, vice president for federal and state relations, at michael.kennedy@usu.edu.
Information
Technology
Events, Actions or Issues since Last Trustee’s Meeting

* **UNIFIED MESSAGING**
  A new Unified Messaging system to replace a 15 year old voice mail system was installed and made operational on the Logan campus in the fall of 2009. This new system brings together voice mail, email, calendar, and directory. For example, voice mail can be accessed from any telephone, or a computer through an email client. When a voice message is deleted from the email, it will also be deleted from the phone system. From any telephone faculty and staff can:
    - Listen to their voice mail
    - Listen to their email and send a reply
    - Manage their calendar
    - Look up contact information for faculty and staff on campus

  The system provides voice recognition allowing user to control the menus and functions with their voice. From their email client, faculty and staff can:
    - Listen to and manage their voice mail
    - Read and manage their email
    - Create and manage calendar entries
    - Look up contact information for faculty and staff on campus

  Information Technology is now working on Phase II of the project which will provide collaboration and other tools to the Logan campus.

* **DATABASE HOSTING**
  Many departments at USU have small computer and web based applications that require a database solution and access by several individuals. Information Technology has expanded database solutions to be able to meet this need. By taking advantage of this solution, departments save money without having to put in their own infrastructure. They also take advantage of the University’s Data Center core server infrastructure, enterprise back-up solutions, and technical expertise.

* **RELOCATION OF UEN CLASSROOMS**
  USU’s Information Technology Physical Infrastructure Team assisted UEN with the relocation of classrooms from UVU to a new facility in Orem. They coordinated the installation of a new fiber optic cable which was installed by Qwest to connect UEN and USU head end equipment. Also installed was network cabling for phone and data, a network router, and electrical outlets for overhead projectors. The Orem site is
connected through USU internet protocol address space which allows students the same access to USU services as students located on the main campus in Logan.

- **TRAINING AND CONFERENCE ATTENDED**
  IT personnel have attended, presented, and received training at the following:
  Hewlett Packard Briefing
  Network Infrastructure System Storage & Telecommunications Conference
  Crestron Training
  Crestron Training
  Tech Security Conference
  EMC (storage company) Briefing
  Milestone Training
  Graphics Design Conference
  Westnet CIO Regional Conference
  Microsoft CIO Summit
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Association for the Accreditation of Human Research Protection Programs (AAHRPP) – As Chair of the AAHRPP Executive Committee for FY2010, conducted telephone conference call regarding AAHRPP financial audit, position posting for AAHRPP chief operating officer, planned the 2010 Annual Conference April 12-14, 2010 and a March Webinar. Dr. Miller conducted AAHRPP Board Meetings in Washington, D.C. March 22-23, 2010.

Association of Public and Land Grant Universities (APLU) - Attended APLU annual meetings in Washington D.C. that included Council on Research Policy and Graduate Education (CRPGE) Executive Committee meeting and joint meetings with Council on Governmental Affairs (CGA) to discuss FY2011 federal R&D budgets, appropriations and legislative issue. Also discussed current federal and APLU activities, diversity issues, conflicts of interest, health care changes, graduate education & student support as well as financial model for research universities.

Inland Northwest Research Alliance (INRA) - Participated in INRA VPR conference calls to discuss organizational issues, energy initiative and INRA dissolution process.

Uintah Basin – Bingham Energy Education and Research Center (BEERC) – participated in strategic planning discussion regarding USU & BEERC Science teams who will be housed in BEERC building and held several coordination meetings with Rob Behunin.

Advancement – Planned, promoted, and attended Sunrise Session January 29, Kenneth White (ADVS) presented “First There Was Dolly: Lessons Learned from Animal Cloning” and the upcoming Sunrise Session April 9 at which Fred Provenza (WR) will present “The Web of Life: How Behavior Connects Humans, Animals, and Landscapes”.

USURF Board of Trustees – Attended USURF Business and Audit Council meetings and chaired USURF Nominating and Governing meetings as well as hosted USURF Board of Trustees dinner.

Research Initiatives – conducted several meetings to discuss $10 million energy congressional appropriation and opportunities between USURF/SDL, USU Energy Lab and USU faculty from various departments; participated in NIH Rocky Mountain Regional Center of Excellence Site Visit (RMRCE) with John T. Belisle, Director and discussed USU resources and funding opportunities for biodefense and emerging infectious disease research; attended several meetings and teleconferences to address collaboration between GOED representatives, USU, UoU, and BYU and oversaw development of two EPSCoR proposals that would enhance high performance computing at USU. Met with Provost Coward and college deans to review the University’s progress towards meeting the $200M USU research awards goal.

Upcoming Events, Actions, or Issues:

March 29 - April 2  Research Week  
April 9  Sunrise Session, Salt Lake City  
April 12-14  AAHRPP Annual Conference, Atlanta, Georgia  
April 25-26  APLU Western Regional Conference, Seattle, Washington  
May 6-7  USURF Committee, Dinner and Board Meetings
ITEM FOR INFORMATION

RE: UNDERGRADUATE RESEARCH REPORT

Of particular note is the upcoming 35th Anniversary of Undergraduate Research at Utah State University, which is the second oldest such program in the nation. Consultants from MIT, which established its program in 1969, along with the Danforth Foundation, advised USU, at the request of President Taggart. A celebration of the anniversary coincides with Student Showcase on Tuesday, 30 March 2010.

Alan Jenkins, Professor Emeritus of Oxford-Brookes, UK, delivers the celebration speech, “Undergraduate Research for All,” on March 30, following the awards for Outstanding Undergraduate Research Mentors of the Year and preceding the awards for the Peak Prize: Outstanding Undergraduate Researchers of the Year. The students proceed to the Robins Awards, where one of them is named University Undergraduate Researcher of the Year on April 24. Awardees come from all seven colleges and the Regional Campus system.

The Undergraduate Research Advisory Board, chaired by Associate Dean of Science Lisa Berreau, will be reviewing applications for grants to improve information about and access to undergraduate research as a result of a generous allocation by ASUSU from Tier Two Tuition. New UR websites are already available in the College of Engineering; the Huntsman School of Business; and the Department of English. Another initiative to increase undergraduate research in under-represented areas such as humanities was successful with four faculty-student project teams funded in 2008-2009 and has been institutionalized for 2009-2010 with three grants awarded.

As part of the Honoring Tradition, Securing the Future: The Campaign for Utah State University initiative, Undergraduate Research has developed an inaugural alumni newsletter mailed to about 1000 Aggies.

Undergraduate researchers have been and continue to be involved in several events:
- Research on Capitol Hill, January 28, 2010: 26 posters and 31 students
- VPR Pre-Game Reception, February 17, 2010: 2 students
- Legislative Spouse Luncheon, February 25, 2010: 8 students
- Utah Conference on Undergraduate Research, February 25-26, 2010: 30 students (representing USU-Logan; USU-SLC; USU-Ephraim; USU-Uintah Basin)
- National Conference on Undergraduate Research, April 14-17: 16 students

A new book, Undergraduate Research in English Studies, published by NCTE (2010) is the product of co-editors Joyce Kinkead (USU) and Laurie Grobman (Penn State). It is the first volume to be published that addresses undergraduate scholarship in English.

The Ninth Annual Research on Capitol Hill was held Thursday, January 29, 2009. Thirty-three USU students attended, presenting posters of their undergraduate research projects. Student research included topics such as anorexia, puffery in marketing, media bias, and the propagation of the chokecherry. Legislators attending the event had the opportunity to see real-world impacts these projects are making within the state.

Since 1975, the Undergraduate Research & Creative Opportunities (URCO) Grant Program has been funding students’ research. Thirty-six students have received funding through the Undergraduate
Research and Creative Opportunities (URCO) grant program for the fall 2008 round. For the first time three students from the Regional Campuses and Distance Education (RCDE) program were among the recipients.

Students in Dr. Chris Johnson's psychology class were the first RCDE researchers to ever submit URCO proposals. The faculty review team was very impressed with the proposals submitted by the students based in Ephraim, Utah. Round II of URCO Grants is February 15.

The third annual Utah Conference on Undergraduate Research (UCUR) was hosted by Westminster College, on Friday, February 20, 2009. This is a conference instigated by USU. Seven faculty and thirty-eight students participated in the conference; the students presented poetry readings, made oral presentations, and explained posters about their research. The 2010 UCUR will be hosted at Southern Utah University.

The Undergraduate Research Program has begun its fund-raising campaign as part of the University’s Comprehensive Campaign. Initial donations are coming in from URCO Grant alumni, who number over 500.

The director of undergraduate research, Dr. Joyce Kinkead, reviewed proposals for the Council on Undergraduate Research’s Posters on the Hill, slated for April 2009 in Washington, DC.

Additional information regarding USU’s Undergraduate Research Program may be found at: https://research.usu.edu/undergrad

Upcoming Events:
Scholars Day, March 26: Interviews for University Undergraduate Research Fellows

Student Showcase: An Annual Celebration of Research, Scholarship, and Creative Activity, March 31.

Awards for Outstanding Undergraduate Researcher of the Year and Outstanding Undergraduate Research Mentor of the year, recognized at Student Showcase

National Conference on Undergraduate Research (NCUR): April 16-28, 2009
ITEM FOR INFORMATION

RE: OFFICE OF GLOBAL ENGAGEMENT – INTERNATIONAL RESEARCH ACTIVITIES

During 2009, USU had 11 active international research and technical assistance projects with a total funding level of approximately $7 million. Many of these projects have funding spread over multiple years. Annual funding for these projects during 2009 was between $2 million and $2.5 million. Active projects are taking place in Africa, the Middle East, and Asia. Recently funded projects include the Litani River Basin Management System in Lebanon (subcontract with International Resources Group for $600,000 with Dr. Bob Hill as PI) and the Senegal River OMVS Modeling Project in West Africa ($600,000 contracted with the Senegal River authority with Mac McKee as PI).

We have projects submitted or in development in South America, the Middle East, Africa, and Asia with a total requested funding level of over $6.3 million. These projects in development are in Peru, Mozambique, Malawi, the Philippines, Ethiopia, and Jordan. Components of the University involved in the development of these projects include the College of Engineering, Utah Water Research Laboratory, and Center for Persons with Disabilities, the Jon M. Huntsman School of Business, and the College of Natural Resources.
USU RESEARCH PERFORMANCE DASHBOARD – FY 2009

Research Funding

Total Research Expenditures1

F&A (Indirect Costs) Recovered7

Effective F&A Rate5

USU Non-Student Research-Related Jobs

Sponsored Programs

Number of Proposals Submitted5

Number of Grants Awarded3

Total Amount of Contracts/Grants Awarded6

Federal Funding as a Percent of Total Funding

Industry Funding as a Percent of Total Funding

Student Research

Funding for Undergraduate Research

Funding for Graduate Research2

Undergraduate Research Employment

Graduate Research Employment

Undergraduate Research Transcript Scholars5

TREND KEY:
△ higher
▼ lower
● no change
green = better
red = worse
black = neutral

FOOTNOTES:
1 According to NSF Report
2 Some funding agencies by policy limit the recovery of F&A costs to less than the negotiated rate. Effective F&A is the ratio between modified total direct costs and actual F&A collected.
3 One proposal can be awarded in multiple years.
4 The largest SIR project, RAMCIS, was canceled in 2005.
5 Graduate research funding includes: fellowships, travel, and graduate student recruitment.
6 2006 number includes students who graduated in December 2007 and May 2008.

Last updated: 01/27/10
Strategic Ventures
and
Economic Development
## AGENDA
### STRATEGIC VENTURES AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT
#### MARCH 26, 2010

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Vice President for Strategic Ventures & Economic Development  
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Date: March 25, 2010

Events, Actions and Issues since Trustee’s Meeting, September 2009 (ending January 31)

Strategic Ventures and Economic Development (SVED)

- Published the first Annual Report of SVED, including metrics and news stories for each of the SVED units (TCO, USTAR, IC).
- Hosted the first Energy Research and Development Mixer, January 20, 2009  
  o 36 USU energy researchers attended; presentations focused on creating dialogue in energy-focused research units.
- Participated in Park City Clean Energy Meeting  
- Initiated Biodiversity legislation passed in 2010 by Legislative session  
- Participated in Regents Planning Committee for USHE Economic Development and Strategic Planning Coordination Meeting

USTAR Coordination at USU:

- Hosted USTAR Governing Authority Board Meeting in Logan, 10/2009.
- Space Weather Center (SWC) at USU signs MOU with Herb Carlson; Carlson will join USU March 2010.
- USU USTAR Space Weather Center launches iPhone application.
- Jeff Muhs added as Executive Director of Energy Ventures within SVED.
- USTAR building is on track for substantial completion, 11/1/2010; scheduled for occupancy, 1/2011.
- Five USTAR Technology Commercialization Grants awarded to USU in first round; fourteen submissions received in second round (4 recommended to USTAR GA). Two submission deadlines remain: March 31 and June 30.

Innovation Campus (IC):

- The USU Energy Lab began occupying the new outdoor algae facility in December 2009.
- Continued working with the Federal EDA to complete final close-out of Innovation Campus projects.
- Continued negotiating with Woodbury Corporation for a ground lease of 3.4 acres north of Grand Avenue between 600 & 700 East with the goal of breaking ground for new building in Spring 2010.
• The IC Governing Board toured the new USTAR building in December.

**Technology Commercialization Office (TCO):**

• Reviewed 15 Technology Commercialization Grant Applications for first quarter of the program, recommended 5 to the USTAR Governing Authority for funding and received approval for funding for all 5 for a total of $233,244.
• Reviewed 14 Technology Commercialization Grant Applications for second quarter of the program, recommended 4 projects to the USTAR Governing Authority for funding.
• Patent issuance continues to rise with 11 patent issued during the first 7 months of FY10 compared to 11 for all of FY09 and 6 for all of FY08
• Royalty income continues to rise with $526k received during the first 7 months of FY10 compared to $638k for all of FY09 and $525k for all of FY08
• Hosted joint TCO meeting—UofU, USU, BYU on USU Innovation Campus; 10/09
• License negotiated with PureStream, a USURF spinout company

**Upcoming Events, Actions, or Issues:**

February 4     USTAR Governing Authority meeting, SLC
February 9     Kickstart Investment Committee meeting, SLC
February 16    Envision Cache Valley meeting, Logan
February 24    Leonardo after Hours, Logan
March 4        USTAR Governing Authority meeting, SLC
March 29       Governor’s Economic Summit
April 1        Innovation and Invention awards reception, part of Research Week, David B. Haight Alumni House, USU Main Campus
April 1        USTAR Governing Authority meeting, SLC
April 5-9      E-Week, Jon M. Huntsman School of Business
April 6        Kickstart Investment Committee meeting, SLC
April 7        Innovation Campus Governing Authority Board Meeting
April 8        Entrepreneurial Founders Board Meeting
April 16       Innovation Campus open house and reception, eStation
May 6         USTAR Governing Authority Meeting
USU’s Technology Commercialization Indicators:

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*FYTD 2010 = 12 issued patents + 2 allowed
Student Services
STUDENT SERVICES

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Date: March 1, 2010

Focus of Student Services

As a standard part of this report, a page will be included providing updates on enrollment and recruitment activities. The first page of this report will focus on programs and activities relating to the efforts being provided by the many outstanding and supportive departments within the Division of Student Services.

Department Reports

The mission of the Disability Resource Center (DRC) is to provide qualified persons with disabilities equal access to University programs, services, and activities as required by the Rehabilitation Act of 1973 and the Americans with Disabilities Amendments Act of 2009. This is accomplished by fostering an environment which supports the understanding and acceptance of persons with disabilities throughout the University community and the provision of reasonable and appropriate accommodations. The DRC affirms the right of students to obtain access in a manner which promotes dignity and independence.

The Rehabilitation Act of 1973 states that qualified persons with disabilities persons may not be denied admission or be subjected to discrimination. Furthermore, the University must provide reasonable accommodations so that the student can participate and benefit from all of the services, programs and activities offered by the institution. The accommodations required include testing accommodations, architectural access, notetaking services, audio textbooks and course materials, accommodated testing and assistive technology.

657 students were served in 2008-2009.

Direct Services (accommodations) provided 2008-2009:

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Taggart Student Center Mission Statement
The Taggart Student Center is the community center of the university for all the members of the university family - students, staff, faculty, administration, alumni and guests. It is not merely a building; it is also an organization and a program. With its many functions, it represents a well-considered plan for the community life of the university. As the "living room" or the "hearthstone" of the university, the Taggart Student Center provides for the services, conveniences, and amenities the members of the university family need in their daily life on campus and for getting to know and understand one another through informal association outside the classroom.

Goals & Objectives
The Taggart Student Center has three main objectives: education, leadership and service.

I. EDUCATION
The Taggart Student Center (TSC) is part of the total educational experience at USU. Not only does it serve to train students in social responsibility and leadership in society, it also provides opportunities to serve on various boards, committees and staffs through our Associated Students of Utah State University (ASUSU). The TSC also provides a wealth of materials, equipment, information, facilities, and "know-how" for transforming thoughts into reality, programs into action and concerns into causes. The TSC encourages self-directed activity, giving maximum opportunity for self-realization and growth in group competency. It is a meeting place for students to engage in activities that promote cultural exchanges, all the while creating an environment that provides learning opportunities in constructive difference resolution that promotes understanding.

II. LEADERSHIP
Through the constitution of ASUSU, elected student officers and numerous appointed student leaders use the student center as home base for implementation of numerous activities and programs. These provide a stimulus for informal educational processes complementary to leadership growth and development. A significant part of leadership development is service learning. The TSC is home to the Val R. Christensen Service Center which participates in 19 programs involving 36 student leaders, with 2,000 volunteers totaling about 10,000 hours service each year.

III. SERVICE
Students, faculty and staff often find that cafeterias, bookstores and a variety of other services are provided in the student center facilities. Without the availability of these services, many of the students would have a difficult time acquiring the goods and services needed. The TSC makes these services available in a convenient location and is used by resident and non-resident students alike. The TSC has become a "one-stop-shopping" location for the campus community.

Taggart Student Center Usage
The TSC is used by students, University departments and community members. Below is a chart that shows a three year average for each group and the total for all usage.

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Fall 2009 Review
Total # of students/parents: 32,880
High School Tour- 11,385 students
Follow-Ups by recruiters & ambassadors- 5,044 students
Out-of-State (visits, fairs, including receptions, open houses)- 6,540 students/parents
Events (open houses, roads tours, ALE, TLC, games, etc)- 10,654 students/parents
Campus Tours & Special Tours- 1,358 students/parents
Phone Calls (open houses, ALE, TLC)- over 12,000 made by ambassadors

Spring 2010 Recruitment and Events
- January to April- Idaho High School Tour and Follow Up Visits
- January to March- 629 students/parents hosted for USU Basketball games
- February- Ambassador Selection- 21 freshmen selected (16 Utah, 5 Out-of-State), Transfer selection in process
- February/March- Transfer Open Houses- SLCC, LDSBC, Snow College, CEU
- Transfer Days
- February 19 & 27, Ultimate Aggie Experience- (underage leadership conference)- 150 total participants
- February 26- Hispanic Leadership Conference- 220 participants
- March 25- Scholars Day (Presidential and Deans scholarship recipients)
- March 26- A-Day (Admitted student day)
- April- Out-of-State Travel to CA (3 areas), WA, TX, NV, ID, CO, AZ
- April- Scholarship Award nights
- June- USU Leadership Conference- expect 400-600 student government leaders

Scholarships Fall 2010
- Academic Scholarships- 2,881 awarded (Fall 2009- 2,011 awarded)
- Legacy Scholarships- 250 awarded (Fall 2009- 320 total, 234 enrolled)
- Need-Based Scholarship Applications- 331 applications (Fall 2009- 263 applications)
- Involvement Scholarship Applications- 612 applications (Fall 2009- 573 applications)
- Ambassadors- 482 freshmen, 40 transfers, 522 total from 189 different schools. (Fall 2009- 391 freshmen, 28 transfers, 419 total from 151 schools)
University
Advancement
AGENDA
UNIVERSITY ADVANCEMENT
MARCH 26, 2010

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Utah State University Board of Trustees
Advancement Update

January – March 2010

1. The Campaign total through February 28, 2010 was $288,459,846. This total represents 72.1% of the $400 million goal. The number of donors who have given to the campaign through February 28 was 42,194. Additionally, the number of donors who made their first gift to Utah State during the campaign has risen to 18,444.

2. Fundraising progress, the measure of new pledges and gifts, totaled $47,756,065 through February 28, 2010, an increase of 114.4% over last year at this time. During this period we received $53,814,879 in cash and in-kind gifts, a 116.25% increase over last year. University Trustees have contributed $28,118 to the university this fiscal year. Utah State University Foundation Trustees have contributed $197,942 since July 1, 2009.

3. The Aggie Fund is running behind last year’s totals. At the end of February, The Aggie Fund has received $491,832, a 16.3% decrease from last year at this time. While Cece Foxley’s letter in the early fall outperformed the early fall letter from a year ago, the late fall deans’ letters and the phonathon did not keep pace with prior year results. We are looking at making some program changes for next year to improve results.

4. Utah State University received the largest gift in its history in January 2010, when the Swaner Preserve and EcoCenter was transferred to USU ownership and oversight. The monetary value of the gift is in excess of $30 million. Moreover, the addition of the Swaner Preserve and EcoCenter directly advances USU’s statewide scientific, educational and outreach mission in the Park City area.

5. University Advancement held a number of special events during this period. On February 25, we held a reception at the Swaner EcoCenter in Park City for Swaner EcoCenter Board members, friends and staff to welcome them into the USU family. On March 2, we held the annual Seely-Hinctley Scholarship Luncheon where we introduced the 2010 Seely-Hinctley Scholars to the board members. Later that week, we honored seven USU alumni as we celebrated the 122nd anniversary of Utah State University at the annual Founders’ Day Dinner on March 5. The 2010 award recipients are Harold W. Dance and Lonnie and Cheryl Smith, who received Distinguished Alumnus Awards, and Jay and Suzanne Glasmann and Jeff and Bonnie Clark, who received Distinguished Service Awards.

Reported by:
F. Ross Peterson, Vice President for University Advancement
Honing TRADITION 
Securing Our FUTURE
The Campaign for Utah State University

Campaign Progress by Purpose
From July 1, 2003 to March 11, 2010

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Campaign Progress
## Honoring TRADITION

Securing Our FUTURE

*The Campaign for Utah State University*

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Principal Gifts >= $1,000,000  
Major Gifts >= $100,000  
Special Gifts >= $25,000
# Monthly Gift Comparison - Trustee Report

**Utah State University Advancement Office**  
(Summary of Private Support)  
Cash Received FY2010  
Run Date: March 11, 2010

## March 2010

### USU Total

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**Intangible Property** is defined as an asset that has been produced through creativity and innovation. Examples include patents, copyrights and software under development.

****Grants from private sources for sponsored research are included in this schedule and also by the Office of Sponsored Programs. The current month figures will always be the month prior to the report date.
Utah State University
Major Gifts ($5,000 and more) Received
January - March 2010

Part I: New Gifts and Pledges

Donor
Ms. Janet Brigham
Mrs. Janice J. Dee
Educators Mutual
Estate of Grace M. Steed
Foundation for the American West
Foxley & Pignanelli Attorneys at Law
Frederick Q. Lawson Foundation
Mr. Alan Derrick Freer
Mrs. Areva L. Huish
Mr. Chuck S. Hyer
Leonard Charles Kearl, Jr.
John M. Loffredo
Match Corporation

Mr. Stan Meyrick
Michael B & Anaee A Falk Family Foundation
Mountain West Small Business Finance
Mr. William G. Murray, Jr.
Mr. Donny Osmond
Questar Corporation
Dr. H. Paul Rasmussen
Mr. W. E. Rasmussen
Raymond Real Estate
Mr. Ralph H. Redford
Rio Tinto
Mr. Marvin J. Roberts
Jon Walter Rosdahl
Sagebrush Initiative, Inc.
Mr. Steven A. Shaw
Frank D. Shuman

Purpose
USU Libraries
College of HASS
Tooele Regional Campus
Huntsman School of Business
Center for Persons with Disabilities
Merlin Olsen Field
College of HASS
Kenneth W. Brewer Creative Writing Award
Areva L. Huish Scholarship
Football Competitive Excellence Fund
Equine Horse Stall
Jon M. Huntsman School of Business
College of Engineering
Emma Eccles Jones Early Childhood Education & Research Center
Big Blue Scholarship Fund
Small Enterprise Education & Development
Huntsman School of Business
College of HASS
Regional Campus - Distance Education
College of Agriculture
Emma Eccles Jones CEHS
Big Blue Scholarship Fund
College of HASS
College of Engineering
Spectrum Locker Rooms Remodel
Electrical & Computer Engineering
College of Natural Resources
College of Agriculture
Huntsman School of Business

Division
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Alumni
Alumni Relations
Board of Trustees Report

Ralph Binns, President Alumni Association
Patricia Halauffa, Executive Director Alumni Association
Telephone: 435-797-2055; Email: alumni@usu.edu
Web Site: www.usu.edu/alumni
Utah State University Alumni Association Update: March 2010

Awards:
- Merit Citations
  o Bill and Marty Bullen '65 & '66
  o Paul Murray '62
  o Eldon White '76
  o James Nottingham '91
  o Boyd Baugh '57
  o James D. Johnson '69
  o Kent & Kimberly Wood '70 & '70
  o Rod Clark '65
  o Scott and Trudy Young '67 & '67
  o Lynn Hansen '60

- Distinguished Alumni Awards
  o Harold W. Dance '48
  o Lonnie & Cheryl Smith '67 & '67

- Distinguished Service Awards
  o Jay & Suzanne Glasmann Friend & '63
  o Jeff & Bonnie Clark '82 & Friend

- Student Alumni Association received awards for:
  o Execution of the Homecoming Parade
  o Stewardship of alumni chapter scholarship recipients

Events:
- Long Beach BB Pre-Game Party – Dec 18, 2009
- Power of Music with Dr. Craig Jessop
  o Tuscan – January 22, 2010
  o Phoenix – January 23, 2010
  o Salt Lake City – February 19, 2010
- Box Elder BB Pre-Game Party – January 30, 2010
- Boise BB Pre-Game Party – February 11, 2010
- San Jose BB Pre-Game Party – February 13, 2010
- Utah County Chapter Sweethearts Scholarship Dinner with Fry Street Quartet – February 13, 2010
- WAC Pre-Game Party – March 12, 2010
- Weber County Chapter Merit Citation Dinner with Craig Jessop – April 10, 2010

Chapters:
Upcoming Chapter Events:
- Box Elder County – TBD
- Davis County – May 15, 2010
- Weber County – April 10, 2010
- Tooele County – TBD

House:

Alumni House Events / Visitors 2009-10

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ASUSU
For one week, the campus is packed with flyers, posters, and billboards announcing student’s candidacy for ASUSU elected positions. After much hard work, the newly elected officers continue their preparation as the out-going leaders train them and assist them in setting goals. The close of this school year has been a busy time for ASUSU. The following are projects and initiatives that have recently occurred, as well as those that are rapidly approaching:

- Transition of newly elected and appointed ASUSU Officers.
- We are currently working on the re-structuring of ASUSU. This involves the analyzing of the ASUSU Constitution, officer charters, as well as Advisor positions, responsibilities, and needs. This process will serve two purposes. 1) Improving the processes of ASUSU responsibilities and service. 2) Developing a more transparent Image of student leaders with their peers.
- Service Vice President, Dave Knighton, with the help of many student leaders, has created a food pantry for students who are struggling to afford their costs of living.
- Arts and Lectures Director, Jo Olsen, is in the process of developing a “common hour” during the week where classes are not held—which will allow the students to attend a weekly convocation. This will greatly improve student involvement and education outside the classroom setting.
- “Town Hall” meetings will be held in the coming weeks to discuss with students-at-large, the ideas and plans for the new Student Recreation Center. We will also form student committees to lead the way in the specific areas of development.
- The Inaugural Reception for newly elected and appointed ASUSU Officers will be held on April 16th, 2010.
- Robins Awards, the most prestigious award ceremony for students, will be held on April 24th, 2010. Awards include: Woman of the Year, Man of the Year, Organization of the Year, and Achievement of the Year.
- The new ASUSU President would like a more attractive Trustee photo on the website and in the Alma Sonne Board Room this year. Perhaps from his left side—which happens to be his good side.
- Tyler Tolson and Nicole Watts took a vacation from dating for a few months last semester. They are currently back to work. (What does that mean? They don’t know.)
Athletics
ATHLETICS

Name: Scott Barnes
Telephone: 797-0912
E-mail: Scott.Barnes@usu.edu
Date: March 2010

Events, Actions, or Issues Since Last Trustee Meeting

Intercollegiate Athletic Strategic Planning Initiative
Utilizing the services of Tom Thomas of Cardinal Advisors we are working towards the completion of a strategic plan that will take us through 2013 and beyond. The planning process has included the establishment of core values and a revamped mission statement. A plan framework has been established to assist us in making our strategic plan operational. It is anticipated that the plan draft will be presented at the final Athletic Council meeting of the 2009-2010 academic year.

Off-Court Basketball Facilities
The Athletics Department held a ribbon-cutting ceremony for its newly completed off-court basketball facilities renovation project. We officially opened the Nate and Heather Wickizer Men's Basketball Locker Room and Lounge and the MerLynn Pitcher Women's Basketball Locker Room and Lounge. Among the renovations within the Dee Glen Smith Spectrum are new men's and women's locker room and lounge areas that will enhance space for practice and game day preparation as well as the opportunity to excel in the classroom through newly created study and lounge spaces. A newly completed training room was also included in the renovations, along with a new film room for women's basketball and volleyball. The men's locker room has a cold pool to aid in muscle recovery, while an additional cold pool for the women's team is located inside the training room.

Basketball and Football Ticket Update
We had six sellouts this season for men's basketball; BYU, St. Mary's, San Jose State, Nevada, Wichita State, and New Mexico State. Our season ticket sales were up by approximately three hundred tickets, while we were down approximately five hundred general admission tickets. We sold three hundred and seventy five tickets for the WAC Tournament and are currently planning for post-season play.

Season football ticket renewals are underway. Online renewals have been available since February 1st and paper applications were mailed the first of March. The deadline for season football ticket renewal is April 30. We have about twenty accounts renewed, and again we are very early in the process.
Pub Relations/Marketing
AGENDA
PUBLIC RELATIONS AND MARKETING
MARCH 26, 2010

Information Items

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Public Relations and Marketing

John DeVilbiss, executive director, 435-797-1358; john.devilbiss@usu.edu
September 25, 2009, through March 12, 2010: Events, actions, issues since last Trustee’s meeting

Telling the Utah State University Story
- **2009 Greats Book, “Engaging Minds 24/7.”** A compilation of short stories from across campus that strengthen the university’s core messages. Used by people campus-wide to recruit students and share our story with donors, alumni, state legislators and others.
- **Alumni Greats.** Series highlighting USU’s illustrious alumni expanded to include notable young and international alumni.
- **Media.** Successful media mentions include “NASA Launches Infrared Telescope to Scan Entire Sky.” 500+ media mentions, including CNN (National, Online), among others.

Integrating Campus Communication
- **School of Graduate Studies.** Developed communications outline, featuring design elements, message themes, recruiting outline and longitudinal research to measure effectiveness. Completed six new departmental graduate brochures.
- **Utah State Magazine.** Supported magazine efforts with photography and writing, including a profile of President Stan L. Albrecht. The profile was republished in Utah State Today and distributed to the media with positive results.
- **Financial Report.** A fresh look and face-lift allows the report to be used in multiple ways.
- **Admissions.** Completed the ‘Picture Yourself Here’ piece, which updates the tone for future pieces.
- **Recruitment.** Multiple video projects are under way or completed, including three Aggie basketball/Smith Spectrum videos.
- **Social Media.** Managed all official USU social media pages on Facebook, YouTube, Twitter and LinkedIn. Designed the look of each page. Developed a social media plan for the university and coordinated with offices across campus to unify social media. Updated USU’s Wikipedia information.

Key Projects and Campaigns
- **Merlin Olsen Field Announcement/Tribute.** Provided support via videos shown at the banquet and announcement naming the Merlin Olsen Field. Provided video coverage to the media and across campus. Extensive support following Olsen’s death, coordinating press coverage and providing photographs and video.
- **Multiple Announcements.** Provided media coordination, press releases, photo, video and graphic design support for multiple events, including the USU/CEU Merger (coordinating the successful announcement at the Utah State Capitol Building with an ice cream and cake reception), the Swanson Eco Center Donation and Stephen R. Covey (the first incumbent of the Jon M. Huntsman Presidential Chair in Leadership at USU).
- **Founders Day.** Coordinated media efforts, including print and Web publications. Worked with Alumni Relations and the Advancement Office to highlight honorees. Created four videos shown as part of the evening’s activities.
- **Commercials.** Produced the third and final “Merlin Olsen” commercial as part of an institutional branding campaign. Designed to inspire alumni to rekindle their connections to USU.

Additional Activity
- **Photo, Web, Video, Graphic Design Support.** Photo: support ranged from Homecoming to Old Main Society inductions and multiple events and site visits to USU’s Regional campuses and Educational Centers. Web: created a new university online directory with data drawn from the Banner system; a new design for the USU Web template; created a new university online giving form, including a management system. Video: December commencement; creation of 30-second TV ads for Admissions and Alumni Relations; encoded and posted media news and highlight stories to the Web; ‘Scotsman’ video; classroom shoots with faculty/student interaction. Graphic Design: 33 projects, including the creation of 72+ paired logos, ensuring consistency in USU’s brand image.
I. Research:
Utah State University is one of only two public research extensive universities in Utah and the only research university in the state with an international reputation in land, water, space and human services.
- Utah Science Technology and Research Initiative
- Water
- Space
- Health and Human Services

II. Academics and Creative Arts:
The only university in the state with eight Carnegie Professors of the Year.
- Hands-on learning opportunities (service learning, professor-led programs)
- Undergraduate research
- Graduate studies (1,000 offerings; 3,000 students)
- Opportunities with other countries (aggies for africa, huntsman romanian scholarships, dominican republic students)
- Alumni successes
- Fry street (utah’s only faculty quartet-in-residence)

III. Student Engagement:
The only university in Utah with student programs in continuous operation under the auspices of the state’s largest and oldest residential campus.
- Traditions
- Athletics
- Residential campus
- Outdoor opportunities

IV. Outreach:
Utah State University was founded in 1888 and was designated by the state of Utah to be its only land-grant institution.

V. Other:
Anything that does not fall into one of our core messages.
Faculty
FACULTY SENATE REPORT TO THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES
March 12, 2010

Submitted by Ed Heath, President of the Faculty Senate

The Utah State University Faculty Senate met on October 5, November 30, 2009, January 11, February 1, and March 1, 2010.

EVENTS, ACTIONS OR ISSUES SINCE THE LAST TRUSTEES MEETING:

- The following committees made their reports to the Faculty Senate: Educational Policies Committee, Honors Program, Libraries Advisory Council, Parking Committee, Faculty Evaluation Committee, Athletic Council, ASUSU, Retention and Student Success Program, Council on Teacher Education, Scholarship Advisory Board, Bookstore, and Research Council.

KEY ISSUES AND ACTION ITEMS:

- The Senate approved the formation of an Ad Hoc Code Compliance Committee to oversee the review of issues of non-compliance to the University Policies Manual (Code). The charge of the committee is to receive reports of possible non-compliance, to discuss and investigate these reports, and by vote of the committee, determine if there appears to have been a violation of the code and forward evidence of such violations to the appropriate administrator (Dean, Director, Provost, or President) as needed.

- Approved 261 requests involving new courses, prerequisites, course title changes, course deletions, credit changes, pass/fail grading changes, credit hour changes, and course listings.

- Approved the request from RCDE to offer the Associate of Pre-Engineering degree.

- Approved the request from the Health, Physical Education and Recreation Department to change the name of the Teaching emphasis to the Physical Education Teaching emphasis under the BS Human Movement Sciences degree.

- Approved the request from Nutrition, Dietetics and Food Sciences Department to discontinue the Culinary Arts/Food Service Management option in the BS degree.

- Approved the request for an Exception for BA in Family Life Studies.

- Approved the request from the Department of Family, Consumer and Human Development to offer a Master’s degree in Marriage and Family Therapy.

- Decision to list inactive courses in the General Catalog at the end of the course descriptions under a separate heading titled “Inactive Courses”.

- Approved the request from the Department of Biological and Irrigation Engineering to change the name of the department to Biological Engineering.
CURRENTLY UNDER CONSIDERATION:

- Section 401 “Composition and Authority of the Faculty” – Section 401.5 becomes 401.4 because of removal of an earlier section. Minor grammatical, punctuation, capitalization, and terminology changes. Issues about term faculty.

- Section 402 “The Faculty Senate and Its Committees” – Clarification in phrasing, titles number of meetings a senator can miss before seat being vacated.

UPCOMING EVENTS, ACTIONS AND ISSUES:

- At the March 29, 2010 Senate Meeting the Senate will receive reports from the Professional Responsibilities and Procedures Committee and the Honorary Degrees and Awards Committee.

- At the April 12, 2010 Senate Meeting the Senate will receive reports from the Faculty Diversity, Development & Equity Committee, the Committee on Committees and the Calendar Committee.
Professional Employees
Events, Actions or Issues since last Trustee’s Meeting

President Albrecht Budget Update
President Albrecht invited the PEA, CEA and Faculty executive committee members to meet with him on January 22, 2010. He gave the most current update on state budget crisis and his plans to deal with the crisis. All were in favor of his plans to deal the budget cuts at USU.

Employee of the Quarter
Aaron Curdy was selected as the first quarter and Tracy Sorensen was selected as the second quarter employee of the quarters. They were selected and presented with awards and we recognize and congratulate Aaron and Tracy for their efforts!

Utah Higher Education Day at the Capitol
Several PEA members participated in the UHESA Day at the Capitol. This group organized and strategized with the other institutions and the State UHESA Representatives took the message to each of the State Senate and House Representatives from Cache Valley.

Vice President Cowley and Brandon Faupell (Director of HR) Meeting
The PEA and CEA executive committees met with Vice President Cowley and Brandon Faupell to discuss items related to the Fair Labor Standard Act after an Audit was completed at USU. This meeting was held on 2/16/2010. The items for discussion were presented by Vice President Cowley and thoughts and suggestions were discussed.

Betsy Beardall replaced Eileen Campbell as PEA Treasurer
The PEA treasurer Eileen Campbell was replaced by Betsy Beardall in accordance with the PEA bylaws in February 2010. Betsy will serve for the remainder of the term.

Upcoming Events, Activities or Issues
Annual PEA Luncheon
The annual PEA luncheon will be held on March 29. President Albrecht will be the keynote speaker with some time devoted to benefit announcements and communication.

Other Events
PEA Scholarship applications are due March 19, 2010.
PEA elections will be held in April 2010.
UHESA quarterly meeting will be held at USU on May 21
Classified Employees
CEA EXECUTIVE BOARD

President: Debra Megill
Vise-President: TBD
Secretary: Tracy Jones
Treasurer: Maren Seamons
Salary and Benefits: TBD
Employee Relations: TBD
Employee Enhancement: Niki Godfrey
Employee Recognition: Taci Watterson
Media & Public Relations: Jennifer Barton
Scholarship: Vickie Yeates

Events, Actions or Issues since last Trustee’s meeting:

Events:

Afton Seibold from Parking and Transportation was awarded the Employee of the 2nd Quarter. She is described as doing a wonderful job in the worst of circumstances. She is always pleasant and tries to find the best solutions to the worst of the problems that are presented to her. She always has a smile and a kind word, even to those who are not kind to her.

Our joint Ski Night with PEA, was held at Beaver mountain. We didn’t have as many people as we have had in the past. Discussion is again on to see if we should continue this for the employees or if some other event would be better received by the employees.

CEA Week is scheduled for the week of June 14th through the 18th. We hope to have a good turn-out. Some departments have already notified employees that they will not help with tickets for the luncheon. We feel this will be a big deterrent.
CEA Representatives were able to attend the UHESA day at the State Capital and thank them for the job that they are doing. We tried to meet with as many legislators as we could to appeal for help in this session for our continued jobs and security.

**Issues:**

CEA is struggling to fill vacant positions. With the increased work load of all of our members they are finding it difficult to volunteer the extra time for the Classified Employees Association.

Vice President for Finance, Dave Cowley, and the Director of Human Resources, Brandi Faupel asked the joint CEA and PEA committees about our thoughts on combining the two separate employee organizations into one. This was discussed at length and found that both committees’ would still like individual representation of our matters by continuing the separate organizations.

**Action:**

Elections to find a new Vice-president are being held now. We hope to fill the position so that we are better able to make our CEA week a success.