UTESH STATE UNIVERSITY BOARD OF TRUSTEES
Utah State University, University Inn, Alma Sonne Board Room, Logan, Utah
October 12, 2018

Minutes of the Regular Meeting of the Utah State University Board of Trustees held in the
University Inn, Alma Sonne Board Room, commencing at 1:21 p.m.

MEMBERS PRESENT
Jody K. Burnett	Chair
Mark K. Holland	Vice Chair
Kent K. Alder
David G. Butterfield
John Y. Ferry
Jaren Hunsaker
Crystal C. Maggelet	via telephone
J. Scott Nixon
Frank Peczuh, Jr.
Clark L. Whitworth

MEMBERS EXCUSED
Karen H. Huntsman

UNIVERSITY REPRESENTATIVES PRESENT
Neil N. Abercrombie	Vice President, Government Relations
Jodi Bailey	Chief Audit Executive
Carolyn Brittain	Staff Assistant
Noelle E. Cockett	President
Ceddy T. Cowley	Vice President, Business and Finance
Steve Funk	President, Staff Employee Association
Francis D. Galey	Executive Vice President and Provost
Christopher T. Gonzalez	Director, Latinx Cultural Center
John H. Hartwell	Vice President and Director of Athletics
Mica McKinney	General Counsel
James D. Morales	Vice President, Student Affairs
Sydney M. Peterson	Chief of Staff and Secretary to the Board of Trustees
Laurens H. Smith, Jr.	Interim Provost
Michael Torrens	Director, Analysis Assessment & Accreditation
Robert W. Wagner	Vice President, Academic and Instructional Services
Kenneth L. White	Vice President for Extension; Dean, College of Agriculture and
Applied Sciences; Director, AES
Matthew T. White	Vice President, Advancement
David R. Woolstenhulme	Vice President, Regional Campuses

Chair Burnett called the meeting to order.
Action: Trustee Nixon moved in accordance with 52-4-205 of the Utah Code, that the Trustees go into a Closed Session for the sole purpose of discussing the character, professional competence, or physical or mental health of individuals, pending or reasonably imminent litigation, and the possible sale of real property. Trustee Ferry seconded the motion. The voting was unanimous in the affirmative.

Chair Burnett reopened the Regular Meeting at 2:35 p.m. thanking those present for their attendance.

I. CONSENT AGENDA

Chair Burnett stated that the Trustees were given the following agenda items for review.

Items for Consent:
1. Minutes from the Closed Session held on August 17, 2018
2. Minutes from the Regular Meeting held on August 17, 2018
3. Academic Proposal – NDFS Hunger Solutions Institute [Resolution 18-10-01] (Appendix A)
4. Certificate of Treasurer for May 2018 [Resolution 18-10-02] (Appendix B)
5. Certificate of Treasurer for June 2018 [Resolution 18-10-03] (Appendix C)
7. Delegation/Administrative Reports – 06/29/18 to 08/24/18 [Resolution 18-10-05] (Appendix E)
8. Faculty and Staff Adjustments [Resolution 18-10-06] (Appendix F)
11. USU and USU Eastern Auxiliary and Service Enterprises Annual Reports – FY17-18 [Resolution 18-10-09] (Appendix I)
12. Utah State University Research Foundation – appointment to the Board – Abercrombie [Resolution 18-10-10] (Appendix J)
13. Utah State University Research Foundation – appointment to the Board – Lightfoot [Resolution 18-10-11] (Appendix K)
14. Utah State University Research Foundation – appointment to the Board – Smith [Resolution 18-10-12] (Appendix L)
15. Utah State University Research Foundation – appointment to the Board – White [Resolution 18-10-13] (Appendix M)
16. Utah State University Research Foundation – re-appointment to the Board – Bell [Resolution 18-10-14] (Appendix N)
17. Utah State University Research Foundation – re-appointment to the Board – McKeown [Resolution 18-10-15] (Appendix O)
18. Written Reports
   - Academic & Instructional Services (Appendix P)
   - Advancement (Appendix Q)
   - Business & Finance (Appendix R)
- College of Agriculture and Applied Sciences and USU Extension (Appendix S)
- Executive Vice President and Provost (Appendix T)
- Faculty Senate (Appendix U)
- Public Relations & Marketing (Appendix V)
- Regional Campuses (Appendix W)
- Research & Graduate Studies (Appendix X)
- Staff Employee Association (Appendix Y)
- Student Affairs (Appendix Z)
- USUSA (Appendix AA)

**Action:** Trustee Holland moved to approve the Consent Agenda. Trustee Ferry seconded the motion. The voting was unanimous in the affirmative.

II. **ACTION AGENDA**

1. **Proposal to accept Non-State-Funded Capital Development Projects**
   [Resolution 18-10-16] (Appendix BB)

   Vice President Cowley explained that it is the time of year when permission is requested for projects that are not seeking state funding. Approval for Non-State-Funded Projects first goes to the Trustees, then to the Board of Regents followed by the Building Board. Legislative approval is needed for projects that will request operation and maintenance funds from the State or if bonding authority is required to fund the building.

   The proposed academic building in Moab is on 40-acres of land that USU owns for the future Moab campus. The road and utility infrastructure will be provided by the City of Moab. The building will be in the range of $7 to $11 million dollars. There is an agreement that institutional funds will be matched with community funds.

   **Action:** Trustee Nixon moved to approve the proposal for the Moab Academic Building a Non-State Funded Capital Development Project. Trustee Alder seconded the motion. The voting was unanimous in the affirmative.

   As the Space Dynamics Lab continues to experience growth, additional buildings are needed. The proposed research building will be the same type of building that has already been completed which houses offices and small-scale labs. This would be the third such building on the campus. The second is currently under construction. The second proposed building will include high-bay space for large-scale equipment. Bonds will be repaid with reimbursements from grants.

   **Action:** Trustee Holland moved to approve the proposal for the Space Dynamics Lab Research Building and the Space Dynamics High Bay Building both Non-State-Funded Capital Development Projects. Trustee Whitworth seconded the motion. The voting was unanimous in the affirmative.
An Information Technology Services Building is needed to consolidate information technology (IT) functions which would free up space needed for growing academic departments. The building will also house a portion of the Academic & Instructional Services (AIS) department.

Action: Trustee Alder moved to approve the proposal for the Information Technology Services Building Project. Trustee Peczuh seconded the motion. The voting was unanimous in the affirmative.

A proposed USU east parking terrace with 500-600 parking stalls will help address parking demands on campus. Parking spaces are lost as new buildings are constructed. The east side of campus requires additional parking for events held at fine arts venues.

Action: Trustee Ferry moved to approve the proposal for the USU East Parking Terrace Project. Trustee Whitworth seconded the motion. The voting was unanimous in the affirmative.

The Mountain View Residence Hall Replacement Project includes the demolition of an aging high-rise residence hall. The new building will have 109 beds to accommodate future growth.

Action: Trustee Ferry moved to approve the proposal for the Mountain View Resident Hall Replacement Project. Trustee Hunsaker seconded the motion. The voting was unanimous in the affirmative.

2. **Latinx Cultural Center (LCC) [Resolution 18-10-17] (Appendix CC)**

Provost Galey introduced Christopher Gonzales, Director of the Latinx Cultural Center. Dr. Gonzales shared statistics and explained the need for the center. The center and outreach it provides is important to the Latin community to help them understand the opportunities available and the importance of higher education.

Action: Trustee Ferry moved to approve the proposal for the creation of the Latinx Cultural Center (LCC). Trustee Alder seconded the motion. The voting was unanimous in the affirmative.

III. **Strategic Agenda**

1. **Regional Campuses/Eastern Program Offerings**

Vice President Woolstenhulme shared information regarding career and technical education in eastern Utah. Structuring USU Eastern to offer programs from the certificate level up to the doctorate level has been a main focus. Utah State University is responsible for offering training in these areas of the state. USU’s goal is to offer stackable credits at
an affordable price in comparison to other technical level training opportunities by seeking funding from the legislature (Appendix DD).

2. **Enrollment Update**

Due to time constraints the Enrollment Update will be presented at a future meeting.

**IV. Chair's Report**

1. **Proposed Meeting Schedule for 2019-2020 (note: change in May 2019 date)**
   (Appendix EE)

   Chair Burnett noted that the proposed schedule for 2019-2020 Board of Trustee meetings is in their folders. Due to academic calendar changes commencement dates have changed.

2. **Proposed Committee Changes**

   Chair Burnett proposed changing the standing Athletics Committee to be a Recruitment, Enrollment and Retention Committee. This committee will be a resource to assist President Cockett and the administration by screening items that would come to the full Board. Vice President Hartwell will be asked to give Athletics updates when appropriate.

   **Action:** Trustee Butterfield moved to approve the proposal for the Athletics Committee to be replaced by a Recruitment, Enrollment and Retention Committee. Trustee Hunsaker seconded the motion. The voting was unanimous in the affirmative.

   Chair Burnett suggested that the other reports be given at the January meeting.

3. **The next Board of Trustees meeting will be held on January 11, 2019**

V. **President’s Report**

1. **Information Items**

   a. **Student Resolution of Commendation to Tony Ahlstrom (Appendix FF)**

   USUSA President Hunsaker shared the resolution of commendation to Tony highlighting his leadership and involvement at USU.

   b. **Athletics Update – John H. Hartwell, Vice President and Director of Athletics**

   Vice President Hartwell highlighted how well Aggie athletes are doing academically. Statistics and rankings of USU’s athletic teams were shared. Of note, this year is the football teams winning season thus far.
2. Recent Events

a. Athletics Kickoff Event with Leadership Circle – August 18, 2018
b. Speak and Meet with USU Football Team – August 20, 2018
c. LDS Presiding Bishopric and Elder Stevenson – Salt Lake City, August 21, 2018
d. Executive Committee Retreat – August 22, 2018
e. Board of Regents Capital Development Tour – August 23, 2018
f. Speak at Connections Luminary – August 24, 2018
g. Football – USU at Michigan State – August 31, 2018
h. Council of Presidents – Salt Lake City, September 4, 2018
i. Football – New Mexico State at USU – September 8, 2018
j. Welcome/Remarks at Athletic Full Staff Meeting – September 10, 2018
k. EDCUtah Annual Meeting – Salt Lake City, September 11, 2018
l. Football – Tennessee Tech at USU – September 13, 2018
m. Welcome Remarks at Breakfast with Ute Tribe Students – September 14, 2018
n. Hall of Fame Induction Ceremony – September 14, 2018
o. Museum Reopening VIP Reception and Dinner – September 15, 2018
p. LDS Valley-Wide Devotional – September 16, 2018
q. K-16 Alliance – September 17, 2018
r. Board of Regents External Review of President Cockett – September 17-19, 2018
s. Swenson Luncheon and Remarks at Swenson House Groundbreaking – September 18, 2018
t. Remarks at Year of Technical Education Open House – Stansbury Park, Utah, September 19, 2018
u. Board of Regents at University of Utah – Salt Lake City, September 20-21, 2018
v. Huntsman Cancer Foundation Gala – Salt Lake City, September 20, 2018
w. Inauguration of University of Utah President Ruth Watkins – Salt Lake City, September 21, 2018
x. Ag BBQ – September 22, 2018
y. Football – Air Force at USU – September 22, 2018
z. Year of the Arts Concert – September 22, 2018
aa. Luncheon with Collecting on the Edge Faculty Contributors – September 24, 2018
bb. Mountain West Board of Directors Executive Committee Call – September 24, 2018
c. Center for Growth and Opportunity Dinner, President’s Home – September 24, 2018
dd. Fulbright Awards Social – September 25, 2018
e. Speak at Women’s Council of Realtors Luncheon – September 26, 2018
ff. Speak at Utah’s Operational Excellence Conference – Salt Lake City, September 27, 2018
g. Post-Doctoral Research Fellows Dinner, President’s Home – September 27, 2018
hh. Regence Blue Cross Blue Shield Western Conference – Maui, Hawaii, September 28-Oct 3, 2018
ii. Speak at Salt Lake Chamber Women in Higher Ed Panel/Breakfast – Salt Lake City, October 4, 2018
jj. Football – USU at BYU – October 5, 2018
kk. EDCUtah Board of Trustees Meeting – Salt Lake City, October 9, 2018
II. USU Ambassadors Ice Cream Social – October 9, 2018
mm. USU Board of Trustees Regular Meeting – October 12, 2018
nn. Aggie Family Reunion – October 12, 2018
oo. Homecoming Events – October 13, 2018
pp. Football – UNLV at USU – October 13, 2018

3. Upcoming Events

b. Inaugural Professor Lecture, Nathan Greer, President’s Home – October 18, 2018
c. Football – USU at Wyoming – October 20, 2018
d. Salt Lake Chamber Board of Governors – Salt Lake City, October 23, 2018
e. Inaugural Professor Lecture, Kathleen Mohr, President’s Home – October 23, 2018
f. Inaugural Professor Lecture, Erin Davis, President’s Home – October 24, 2018
g. Football – UNLV at USU – October 27, 2018
h. Remarks at Inclusive Excellence Symposium – October 29, 2018
i. Council of Presidents – Salt Lake City, October 30, 2018
j. Inaugural Professor Lecture, Karen Munoz, President’s Home – October 30, 2018
k. Aggies Hero Event – November 1, 2018
l. Basketball – Evergreen State College at USU – November 1, 2018
m. Sunrise Session, Joe Wilson – Salt Lake City, November 2, 2018
n. USU Football – USU at Hawaii – November 3, 2018
o. Basketball – USU at Montana State University – November 6, 2018
p. USU Alumni/Utah Jazz Game Event – Salt Lake City, November 7, 2018
q. Panel Member at Utah Global Forum – Salt Lake City, November 8, 2018
r. Basketball – University of Hartford at USU – November 9, 2018
s. USU Football – San Jose State at USU – November 10, 2018
t. Association of Public Land-Grant Universities 2018 Annual Meetings – New Orleans, November 11-13, 2018
u. Higher Education Strategic Planning Commission Meeting – Salt Lake City, November 13, 2018
v. Inaugural Professor Lecture, Heidi Wengreen, President’s Home – November 13, 2018
w. Basketball – Mississippi Valley State at USU – November 13, 2018
x. Inaugural Professor Lecture, Zonda Wang, President’s Home – November 14, 2018
y. Board of Regents at Dixie State University – St. George, November 15-16, 2018
z. Basketball – Utah Valley University at USU – November 16, 2018
aa. USU Football – USU at Colorado State – November 17, 2018
bb. Basketball – MGM Tournament – Las Vegas, Nevada, November 19-21, 2018
cc. Inaugural Professor Lecture, John Stevens, President’s Home – November 20, 2018
dd. USU Football – USU at Boise State – November 24, 2018
e. Mountain West Board of Directors Executive Committee Call – November 26, 2018
ff. Inaugural Professor Lecture, Chris Skousen, President’s Home – November 26, 2018
gg. Salt Lake Chamber Board of Governors – Salt Lake City, November 27, 2018
hh. Inaugural Professor Lecture, Keith Grant-Davie, President’s Home – November 18, 2018
ii. Speak at Athletics Council re: Mental Health – November 28, 2018
jj. Basketball – Northern Iowa at USU – November 28, 2018
kk. USU Foundation Board Dinner and Meeting – Salt Lake City, November 29-30, 2018
ll. Basketball – USU at University of California Irvine – December 1, 2018
mm. Mountain West Championship Football – Location TBD, December 1, 2018
nn. Inaugural Professor Lecture, Yoon Lee, President’s Home – December 4, 2018
oo. Inaugural Professor Lecture, Sherry Marx, President’s Home – December 5, 2018
pp. Basketball – USU at BYU – December 5, 2018
qq. Inaugural Professor Lecture, Sylvia Read, President’s Home – December 6, 2018
rr. Basketball – USU vs. Weber State at Beehive Classic – Salt Lake City, December 8, 2018
ss. Basketball – Alabama State University at USU – December 15, 2018
tt. Basketball – USU at University of Houston – December 20, 2018
uu. Basketball – Eastern Oregon University at USU – December 28, 2018
vv. Basketball – USU at Nevada – January 2, 2019
ww. Basketball – Air Force at USU – January 5, 2019
xx. Council of Presidents – Salt Lake City, January 8, 2019
yy. Basketball – Fresno State at USU – January 9, 2019
zz. USU Board of Trustees – January 11, 2019

VI. Committee Meeting Items

1. Minutes from the Audit Committee meeting held on March 2, 2018 (Appendix GG)
2. Agenda for the meeting on October 12, 2018 (Appendix HH)

Action: Trustee Alder made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Trustee Peczuh seconded the motion; the voting was unanimous in the affirmative.

The meeting and workshop adjourned at 4:51 p.m.

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Jody K. Burnett, Chair                           Sydney M. Peterson, Secretary

January 11, 2019

Date Approved