

EXECUTIVES SESSION
UTAH STATE UNIVERSITY BOARD OF TRUSTEES
MARCH 26, 2010

Minutes of the Executive Session of the Utah State University Board of Trustees held in the Alma Sonne Board Room of the University Inn at 9:05 a.m.

MEMBERS PRESENT

Suzanne Pierce-Moore	Chair
Ronald W. Jibson	Vice Chair
Ralph W. Binns	
David P. Cook	
Robert L. Foley	
Douglas S. Foxley	
Susan D. Johnson	
Richard L. Shipley	(By telephone)
Tyler L. Tolson	
Scott R. Watterson	

UNIVERSITY REPRESENTATIVES PRESENT

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Raymond T. Coward	Executive Vice President and Provost
David T. Cowley	Vice President for Business and Finance
Sydney M. Peterson	Chief of Staff and Board of Trustees Secretary
Craig J. Simper	University Counsel

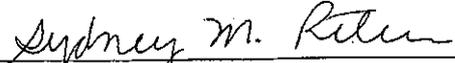
Chair Pierce-Moore conducted the meeting and welcomed those present.

Personnel, property, and legal issues were discussed.

The Executives Session adjourned at 10:40 a.m.



Suzanne Pierce-Moore, Chairman



Sydney M. Peterson, Secretary

May 7, 2010

Date Approved

REGULAR MEETING
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MEMBER EXCUSED

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M. Kay Jeppesen	Vice President and CIO for Information Technology
Michael J. Kennedy	Vice President for Federal and State Relations
Brent C. Miller	Vice President for Research
James D. Morales	Vice President for Student Services
F. Ross Peterson	Vice President for University Advancement
Ned M. Weinshenker	Vice President for Strategic Ventures and Economic Development
Scott M. Allgood	Director of the Marriage and Family Therapy Program
Jodi Bailey	Chief Audit Executive
John DeVilbiss	Executive Director of Public Relations and Marketing
Doug Garrett	President of the Professional Employees Association
Edward M. Heath	President of Faculty Senate

H. Scott Hinton	Dean of the College of Engineering
Michelle B. Larson	Assistant Provost
Maren Seamons	Treasurer, Classified Employees Association
Ronald C. Sims	Head of the Department of Biological and Irrigation Engineering
Sydney M. Peterson	Chief of Staff and Board of Trustees Secretary
Mira G. Thatcher	Secretary

OTHERS PRESENT

Teresa Theurer State Board of Regents

MEMBERS OF THE MEDIA PRESENT

Rachel Christensen	<i>The Statesman</i>
Kim Burgess	<i>The Herald Journal</i>

Chair Pierce-Moore conducted the meeting and welcomed those present.

I. Chairman's Report

A. ASUSU Report

President Albrecht informed those present that Trustee Tolson is the first ASUSU President ever to be re-elected. Trustee Tolson stated that he is excited to continue working with ASUSU and to help keep projects moving.

Trustee Tolson reported on the following (see Appendix UU):

- Transition of newly elected and appointed ASUSU officers.
- Restructuring of ASUSU to improve the process of ASUSU responsibilities and service, and to help make student leaders more accessible.
- Establishment of a food pantry by Service Vice President Dave Knighton to help students who have financial needs.
- Arts and Lectures Director Josie Olsen is working to develop a "common hour" during the week when classes will not be held in order for students to be able to attend a weekly convocation outside of the classroom.
- Plans for the new Student Recreation Center will be discussed with students at Town Hall meetings.

- Inaugural Reception for newly elected and appointed ASUSU officers on April 16, 2010.
- The Robins Awards ceremony April 24. Awards to be presented include Woman of the Year, Man of the Year, Organization of the Year, and Achievement of the Year.

B. Alumni Association Report

Trustee Binns reported that the Alumni Association is doing the best it can with the revenues available. Alumni Relations and University Advancement work well together.

He stressed the importance of Merit Citations. Distinguished Alumni Awards were recently awarded to Harold W. Dance and Lonnie and Cheryl Smith. Distinguished Service Awards were given to Jay and Suzanne Glasmann (Jay Glasmann has since passed away) and Jeff and Bonnie Clark (see Appendix TT).

Recognitions which will be given during Homecoming events include Alumnus of the Year, Grand Marshall, and Distinguished Young Alumnus. Trustee Binns asked those present to submit names of individuals who deserve recognition from USU. He said this helps to renew ties to the University. Names should be submitted by April 15.

Trustee Binns mentioned the following events held recently:

- Pre-game basketball and football parties.
- Power of Music with Craig Jessop held in Tuscon, Phoenix, and Salt Lake City.
- The number of events held at the Alumni House has decreased because of numerous reception halls in the valley.
- Sustaining Memberships and Life-Time Memberships bring income to Alumni Relations. Trustee Binns encouraged those present to participate. The Master Card is no longer marketed by Alumni Relations.
- License plate sales are at 4,300, and it is hoped that will continue to increase. USU license plates make good gifts. The Alumni Association has flyers that are put on cars with Aggie plates, expressing appreciation for support of USU and asking for information.
- 120 scholarships in the amount of approximately \$161,000 have been awarded through the alumni chapters. Funds for scholarships come from alumni chapter activities and license plate sales.
- Through the legacy waiver, which allows out-of-state children of USU alumni to attend USU for in-state tuition, 270 students have enrolled at USU. We need to continue to get the word out about the legacy waivers.

- Upcoming travel opportunities include the Lincoln Sesquicentennial Tour with Ross Peterson, and the Cathedrals of Great Britain Tour with Craig Jessop.

C. Audit Committee Meeting Report

Trustee Cook, Chair of the Audit Committee, reported that the Audit Committee met on March 26, 2010, and approved the minutes of the Audit Committee Meeting held on January 8, 2010 (Appendix A). The committee reviewed the following external audit reports:

- USU Management Letter for the year ended June 30, 2009.
- Athletics Department Agreed-upon Procedures Report for the year ended June 30, 2009.
- USU Research Foundation Management Letter for the year ended June 30, 2009.
- Utah Public Radio Financial Statements with Independent Auditor's Report.
- Edith Bowen Laboratory School Financial Statements with Independent Auditor's Report.

Trustee Cook commended Vice President Cowley and his staff for their work with and support of the auditors. He said the reports were favorable.

D. Report on AGB Annual Conference

Chair Pierce-Moore and Sydney Peterson attended the annual Association of Governing Boards Conference in Orlando, Florida, March 19-23. Ms. Peterson reported that the conference was educational. She said the majority of Boards send agenda information electronically, and we will consider making that change.

Ms. Peterson indicated that Boards throughout the country range in number of members from 10 to 60. She expressed appreciation to the members serving on USU's board who are excellent to work with.

E. August 2010 Trustees Workshop

Discussion was held concerning changing the date of the Trustees Workshop which was originally scheduled for August 20. The Workshop will probably be held at Utah State University-College of Eastern Utah in Price. Part of the Workshop will include members of their Advisory Board. The new date will be determined.

F. Report on Merlin Olsen Memorial Service

Vice President Peterson said the death of Merlin Olsen in March was a great loss to USU. Several from USU attended the memorial service held on March 16 in Pasadena, California. He expressed appreciation to Chair Pierce-Moore for also attending.

Vice President Peterson indicated that USU was mentioned several times during the service, including the football field being named the *Merlin Olsen Field*. Members of the NFL, the NFL Hall of Fame, USU alumni, Hollywood stars, and others were in attendance. Merlin Olsen was a well-known and well-loved public figure who was known to be an Aggie. Vice President Peterson stated that a statue of Merlin Olsen will be unveiled at USU during Homecoming events.

G. Date of the Next Board of Trustees Meeting

The next Board of Trustees meeting will be held on May 7, 2010, at USU.

II. President's Report

A. Comprehensive Campaign Update

Vice President Peterson reported that a number of projects and requests from the colleges are moving forward. Fund-raising efforts on the addition to the Eccles Building of the Jon M. Huntsman School of Business are moving forward. There are a number of requests being made in order to be in a strong position to seek additional bonding in the fall. He stated that the Agriculture Building success at the Legislative session this year was a great accomplishment, and development can now build on that success.

The Education Building on campus and the Bingham Entrepreneurship and Energy Research Center in the Uintah Basin will be dedicated in the Fall. These buildings are both heavily dependent on private gifts.

Vice President Peterson indicated that the annual giving process will change dramatically. Public Relations and Marketing is being reviewed. As the comprehensive campaign moves toward conclusion, University Development will prepare for the next phase (see Appendix OO).

B. Legislative Update

President Albrecht expressed appreciation to Michael Kennedy for his work during the Legislative Session. He said there was a 14% budget reduction, which was less

than the cut proposed early in the session. USU made great progress on its major issues for this session (see Appendix BB).

Vice President Kennedy stated that USU did very well this year at the Legislature. USU's three main priorities were: (1) the budget, (2) the USU/CEU affiliation, and (3) the College of Agriculture Building. Results are as follows:

- The proposed budget cut of 5% was eliminated, and an ongoing backfill of 3% was implemented, thus there was a 14% reduction for FY 2009 (adjusted from 17%). This is the 9% cut taken for the FY2010 budget (approximately \$13 million for USU), plus an additional 5% (approximately \$8 million) for FY 2011. Mr. Kennedy said the cuts will be difficult, but could have been worse.
- Mr. Kennedy said President Albrecht spent a great deal of time informing individual legislators about the USU/CEU merger. Senator Hinkins, who represents Price, sponsored the bill. Only one legislator voted against it. It passed without a fiscal note, but Senator Hillyard and others were able to appropriate \$500,000 one-time funds for transition costs. USU will request long-term funding at a future Legislative session. Mr. Kennedy expressed appreciation to Trustee Foxley for his help on this bill. There will be a ceremonial signing of the bill by Governor Herbert in Price or Blanding. Trustee Foxley said that former Senator, Mike Dmitric, also helped with important lobbying for USU. He said that many legislators understand that the USU/CEU merger is a model that must work and that other institutions may need to follow because of the financial situation in the state.
- Funding for the College of Agriculture/ARS Building (bond was approved in 2008) was originally contingent on both state and federal dollars because it was planned as one building. It became apparent that it could not be built as one building because of the many problems on the federal side. President Albrecht met with members of the Capital Facilities Committee during the summer to discuss the needs. USU requested that the state funds be released so that building could begin. The Legislature approved a bill at 9:15 p.m. the last day of the session authorizing the release of the \$43.1 million bond which was approved in 2008. Mr. Kennedy expressed appreciation to those who helped. A groundbreaking will be held in the next couple of months.

Mr. Kennedy reported that turnout at caucus meetings which were held on Monday, March 22, was double what it has been in the past. He mentioned that Representative Fred Hunsaker will not run for office again. It will be sad to lose Representative Hunsaker, but there is excitement about candidates who have filed.

C. USU/CEU Affiliation Update

President Albrecht stated that there will be a ceremonial signing of the legislation authorizing the USU/CEU merger by Governor Herbert. The date will be determined. He said we need to help USU/CEU become a part of USU.

D. Research Matters 2010

Vice President Miller distributed the *Research Matters 2010 Magazine*. He stated that the magazine has always included research being conducted by faculty in the seven colleges. But this year's issue also includes two articles about research being done by undergraduate and graduate student researchers. There also is an article about the research of Alex Boldyrev, formerly of the Soviet Union, who won the D. Wynne Thorne Research Career Award. It includes a list of faculty academic books published in 2009, and faculty honors and awards for notable research achievements. The opening article is about the new Bingham Entrepreneurship and Energy Research Center being constructed at the Uintah Basin campus.

E. Death of Professor Russell C. Thompson

President Albrecht stated that Russell C. Thompson, professor of mathematics, passed away on March 22, 2010. He served from 2001 to 2008 as Head of the Department of Mathematics and Statistics. Provost Coward stated that Professor Thompson has taught many students, and his death is a real loss for the University.

F. Utah State GREATS (in brief)

Trustees were given the *Utah State GREATS (in brief)* for their information (Appendix B).

G. Recent Events

1. NWCCU Commission Meetings, January 10-13, 2010
2. Board of Regents Audit Committee, January 14, 2010
3. Board of Regents, Salt Lake Community College, January 15, 2010
4. Legislative Subcommittee, January 20, 2010
5. Aggie Passport Dinner with Students, January 20, 2010
6. Swaner Board Meeting in Park City, January 21, 2010
7. Carnegie Reception for David Peak, January 21, 2010
8. Salt Lake Chamber Governing Board, January 26, 2010
9. CEU Meetings in Price, January 26, 2010

10. Research on Capitol Hill, January 28, 2010
11. Sunrise Session, January 29, 2010
12. Keynote for Cache Chamber, January 29, 2010
13. USU Research Foundation Board Dinner, February 4, 2010
14. Wells Fargo Northern Utah Community Board Meeting, February 18, 2010
15. Higher Ed Day Luncheon, Sponsored by Rocky Mountain Power, February 19, 2010
16. Salt Lake Chamber Governing Board, February 23, 2010
17. Council of Presidents Special Meeting, February 24, 2010
18. Legislative Spouses Luncheon, February 25, 2010
19. Swaner Event in Park City, February 27, 2010
20. Seely-Hinckley Luncheon, March 2, 2010
21. Trip to Washington, D.C. with Michael Kennedy re ARS, March 2-3, 2010
22. CEU Senate Vote and Celebration, March 4, 2010
23. Founder's Day, March 5-6, 2010
24. ACE Annual Meetings in Phoenix, Arizona, March 6-8, 2010
25. WAC Tournament, Reno, Nevada, March 11-13, 2010
26. Council of Presidents, Salt Lake City, March 16, 2010
27. Salt Lake Chamber Governing Board, March 23, 2010
28. Governor's Excellence in Education Commission, March 24, 2010

H. Upcoming Events

1. PEA Luncheon, March 29, 2010
2. Celebration for Newly-created Center for Women and Gender, March 29, 2010
3. Research Week, March 29 - April 2, 2010
4. Employee Recognition Banquet, March 31, 2010
5. Board of Regents at Snow College, April 1, 2010
6. Sunrise Session, April 9, 2010
7. Diversity Award Luncheon, April 9, 2010
8. USU Fund Drive Kick Off, April 15, 2010
9. USU Community Associates, April 15, 2010
10. Brigham City Commencement, April 16, 2010
11. ASUSU Awards Banquet, April 21, 2010
12. Robin's Awards, April 24, 2010
13. Salt Lake Chamber Governing Board, April 27, 2010
14. Stater's Council, April 28, 2010
15. Uintah Basin Commencement, May 1, 2010
16. USU Board of Trustees, May 7, 2010
17. USU Commencement, May 7-8, 2010
18. Wells Fargo Northern Utah Community Board, May 20, 2010
19. USU Foundation Board Meetings, May 21-22, 2010
20. Salt Lake Chamber Governing Board, May 25, 2010

I. Commencement Ceremonies – Spring 2010

1. Brigham City, April 16, 2010, 6:00 p.m.
2. Tooele, April 22, 2010, 7:00 p.m.
3. Ephraim, April 23, 2010, 6:00 p.m.
4. Price, April 28, 2010, 6:00 p.m.
5. Moab, April 29, 2010, 6:00 p.m.
6. Blanding, April 30, 2010, 11:00 a.m.
7. Uintah Basin, May 1, 2010, 2:00 p.m.
8. Logan, Graduate Hooding, May 7, 2010, 1:30 p.m.
Undergraduate Ceremony, May 8, 2010, 9:30 a.m.

J. Utah State University-College of Eastern Utah Celebrations

1. San Juan Campus Celebration, April 29, 2010
2. Price Campus, April 30, 2010

III. Consent Agenda

Trustees were given the following consent agenda material for their consideration:

- Minutes of the Executive Session Held on January 8, 2010
- Minutes of the Regular Meeting Held on January 8, 2010
- Resolution 10-3-1 Faculty and Staff Adjustments (Appendix C)
- Resolution 10-3-2 Certificate of the Treasurer for November 2009 (Appendix D)
- Resolution 10-3-3 Certificate of the Treasurer for December 2009 (Appendix E)
- Resolution 10-3-4 Certificate of the Treasurer for January 2010 (Appendix R)
- Resolution 10-3-5 Report of Investments for November 2009 (Appendix G)
- Resolution 10-3-6 Report of Investments for December 2009 (Appendix H)
- Resolution 10-3-7 Report of Investments for January 2010 (Appendix I)
- Resolution 10-3-8 Delegation/Administration Reports for December 16, 2009 to January 8, 2010 (Appendix J)
- Resolution 10-3-9 Delegation/Administration Reports for January 8, 2010 to February 17, 2010 (Appendix K)
- Resolution 10-3-10 Proposal to Revise Policy #311 of the University Policy Manual (Appendix L)
- Resolution 10-3-11 Proposal to Revise Policy #345 of the University Policy Manual (Appendix M)
- Resolution 10-3-12 Proposal to Revise Policy #351 of the University Policy Manual (Appendix N)
- Resolution 10-3-13 Proposal to Revise Policy #359 of the University Policy Manual (Appendix O)

- Resolution 10-3-14 Proposal to Revise Policy #385 of the University Policy Manual (Appendix P)
- Resolution 10-3-15 Proposal to Revise Policy #388 of the University Policy Manual (Appendix Q)
- Resolution 10-3-16 Proposal to Revise Policy #399 of the University Policy Manual (Appendix R)
- Resolution 10-3-17 Housing Review and Recommendation for 2010-2011 (Appendix S)
- Resolution 10-3-18 Review and Approval of the External Audit Reports (Appendix T)
- Resolution 10-3-19 Contract/Grant Proposals and Awards for December 2009 (Appendix U)
- Resolution 10-3-20 Contract/Grant Proposals and Awards for January 2010 (Appendix V)
- Resolution 10-3-21 Contract/Grant Proposals and Awards for February 2010 (Appendix W)
- Acceptance of Written Reports
- Academic/Provost (Appendix X)
 - Faculty and Staff Activities and Achievements (Appendix Y)
 - Business and Finance (Appendix Z)
 - Extension/Continuing Education (Appendix AA)
 - Federal and State Relations (Appendix BB)
 - Information Technology (Appendix CC)
 - Research (Appendix DD)
 - Research Performance Dashboard, FY 2009 (Appendix EE)
 - Undergraduate Research Report (Appendix FF)
 - Office of Global Engagement – International Research Activities (Appendix GG)
 - Strategic Ventures and Economic Development (SVED) (Appendix HH)
 - USTAR Coordination
 - Innovation Campus
 - Technology Commercialization Office
 - Upcoming Events, Actions or Issues
 - USU's Technology Commercialization Indicators – FY 2010 (Appendix II)
 - Student Services (Appendix JJ)
 - University Advancement (Appendix KK)
 - Campaign Progress by Purpose, July 1, 2003 to March 11, 2010 (Appendix LL)
 - Monthly Progress Report for March 2010 (Appendix MM)
 - Major Gifts, January 2010 to March 2010 (Appendix NN)
 - Monthly Gift Comparison (Appendix OO)
 - Alumni Association (Appendix PP)
 - ASUSU (Appendix QQ)

- Athletics (Appendix RR)
- Public Relations and Marketing (Appendix SS)
 - Public Relations and Marketing Performance Dashboard (Appendix TT)
- Faculty Senate (Appendix UU)
- Professional Employees Association (Appendix VV)
- Classified Employee Association (Appendix WW)

Executive Session to be held on May 7, 2010, to discuss those items which are permitted by law to be discussed in Executive Session.

Action: Trustee Foxley moved approval of the Consent Agenda items, and Vice Chair Jibson seconded the motion. The voting was unanimous in the affirmative.

IV. Action Agenda

A. 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

Trustees were given the proposal from the Department of Biological and Irrigation Engineering to change the name of the department to the Department of Biological Engineering (Appendix XX).

Dean Hinton stated that over time, programs change and there are different emphases as research moves forward. The Irrigation Engineering program and its enrollments have been transferred from the Department of Biological and Irrigation Engineering to the Department of Civil and Environmental Engineering. Irrigation was one of the lead programs for many years. People now think of it as water management. Courses in Irrigation Engineering and faculty members who teach those courses will be transferred to Civil and Environmental Engineering.

Provost Coward said this has been approved by the Educational Policies Committee and Faculty Senate.

Action: Vice Chair Jibson moved approval of Resolution 10-3-22 the proposal from the Department of Biological and Irrigation Engineering to change the name of the Department to the Department of Biological Engineering (Appendix XX). Trustee Foley seconded the motion. The voting was unanimous in the affirmative.

B. 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

Trustees were given the 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 (Appendix YY).

Provost Coward said this proposed degree will require the same course work and requirements as the current degree, but rather than writing a thesis, students will write and present a Theory of Change paper as their major project.

Scott Allgood, Director of the Marriage and Family Therapy Program, stated that the department has tracked students over the last 16 years. The results of a survey of employers indicate there was minimal support for theses, and tremendous support for Theory of Change papers. He said this degree will help students become more competitive.

In response to a question from Trustee Foxley about the need for a thesis, Director Allgood stated that a Master's degree is the terminal degree for marriage and family therapy clinical work, and most students at USU plan to become clinicians rather than pursue doctoral degrees. This will not put these students at a disadvantage.

Provost Coward indicated that this change will add to the clinical aspect in this field. He said the proposal received approval from the Department of Family, Consumer and Human Development; the Educational Policies Committee; and the Faculty Senate.

Action: Trustee Foley moved approval of Resolution 10-3-23 the 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 (Appendix YY). Trustee Watterson seconded the motion, and the voting was unanimous in the affirmative.

C. Tenure and Promotion Decisions for 2010

Trustees were given the Tenure and Promotion Decisions for 2010 (Appendix ZZ) for their consideration.

Provost Coward explained that faculty have a maximum of six years to move from assistant professor to associate professor. He reported that 38 faculty came forward in the 2010 tenure and promotion process. More than 2/3 of the candidates requested tenure. He recommended that the following promotion and/or tenure requests receive approval and become effective July 1, 2010: twenty-one assistant professors promoted to associate professors with tenure, one associate professor to receive tenure, four associate professors promoted to professor, one extension assistant professor promoted to extension associate professor with tenure, three assistant librarians promoted to associate librarians with tenure, one associate librarian promoted to librarian, four lecturers promoted to senior lecturers, one clinical assistant professor promoted to clinical associate professor, and two research assistant professors promoted to research associate professors.

Trustee Watterson commended the faculty receiving promotion and/or tenure noting the high professional and personal standards required for this accomplishment. Provost Coward stated that it is an extraordinary achievement, and indicates the strength of USU's faculty.

President Albrecht said as a way for the University to express appreciation, those individuals who are promoted to professor are invited to the president's home with colleagues and family for an inaugural lecture and reception. The faculty members speak about their life journey as well as their research. Provost Coward invited Trustees to attend these events if possible, and said it showcases the enormous academic and intellectual ability of faculty, and their passion for their work.

Action: Trustee Foley moved approval of Resolution 10-3-24 the tenure and promotion decisions for 2010 (Appendix ZZ), and Trustee Tolson seconded the motion. The voting was unanimous in the affirmative.

D. Tuition Increases for 2010-2011-Tier II Tuition Increase

Information concerning the Tier II Tuition increase for 2010-2011 (Appendix AAA) was given to the Trustees for their consideration.

President Albrecht stated that in 2001, the Legislature gave approval for institutions of higher education to add Tier II tuition increases. First Tier tuition increases are determined by the State Board of Regents. Since there has not been compensation increases in the last few years, it will help offset health costs this year.

The Tier II tuition increase request was determined after the close of the Legislative session, so we would know the amount of the budget cut. Administration met with student leaders and presented the request. The proposal for the Tier II tuition increase for 2010-2011 is 6%. This will generate \$4.5 million which will be used for the following: offset budget cuts, student initiatives, operating budgets for colleges, globalization initiative, operation of the Center for Women and Gender, electronic journal support, and promotion and tenure.

Concerning the student initiatives, Trustee Tolson said that students were polled in order to assess student needs. In determining the proposals brought forward, they took into consideration the number of students that would be impacted, and whether the request would increase the credibility of USU and its students. The initiatives chosen will include A-teams (student leaders who work with orientation of Freshmen students in order to improve retention rates); a pilot on-line tutoring program, a part-time graduate assistant to provide additional student counseling, and help with child care expenses. The amount for student initiatives is \$102,000, and is included in the Tier II tuition increase. President Albrecht stated that the student initiatives are outstanding.

This is one of the lowest Tier II increases in the state. President Albrecht said it is an increase for students of approximately \$150 per semester.

Action: Trustee Johnson moved approval of Resolution 10-3-25 the proposal from USU for a Tier II tuition rate increase of 6%. Trustee Binns seconded the motion, and the voting was unanimous in the affirmative (Appendix AAA).

E. Proposal to Increase Student Fees as Recommended by the Utah State University Student Fee Board

Trustees were given a proposal to increase student fees as recommended by the Utah State University Student Fee Board (Appendix BBB) for their consideration. (Note: The correct percentage amount is a 2.5% increase as listed in the Executive Summary and Resolution. The letter attachment to the Resolution lists a 0.25% increase.)

The Utah State University Student Fee Board is made up of students and Vice President Morales. The Board considered a number of requests. Vice President Morales listed the following as fee increases per semester as recommended by the Student Fee Board: \$4.84 bus fee; \$2.00 campus recreation; \$0.53 computer fee; and \$2.50 student health center, for a total increase of \$9.87 per semester.

Trustee Tolson said the items were carefully considered. He said the increase is enough for students to move forward rather than fall back.

Action: Trustee Binns moved approval of Resolution 10-3-26 the proposal to increase student fees as recommended by the Utah State University Student Fee Board (Appendix BBB). Trustee Foley seconded the motion, and the voting was unanimous in the affirmative.

V. Schedule for Spring 2010 Commencements

Trustees were given a list of dates for the 2010 graduation ceremonies at Regional Campuses and Commencement at USU for their information (Appendix GGG). Ms. Peterson asked Trustees to let her know which events they plan to attend.

Action: Vice Chair Jibson moved that the meeting adjourn, and Trustee Foley seconded the motion.

The Regular Meeting adjourned at 12 noon.

Suzanne Pierce-Moore, Chairman

Sydney M. Peterson, Secretary
(Minutes Taken by Mira G. Thatcher)

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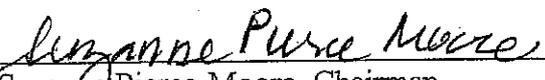
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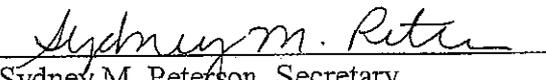
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