UVU BOARD OF TRUSTEES
December 10, 2008
7 p.m., Alumni House

Board of Trustees Members Present
Janette Hales Beckham
Greg Butterfield
Daniel W. Campbell
Timothy R. Clark
Paul B. Clyde
Steven J. Lund
Carolyn H. Merrill
Joseph Watkins

Board of Trustee Members Excused
J. Scott Jenkins
Doyle M. Mortimer
Terry E. Shoemaker

Regular Attendees
Elizabeth J. Hatch, Interim President
Chuck Allison, Faculty Senate President
Cory Duckworth, Vice President Student Affairs
Vincent Fordiani, Special Assistant to the President for Constituent Affairs
Val Hale, Vice President Advancement and Marketing
Linda Makin, Executive Director of Planning and Budget
Clint Moser, PACE President
Karen Olsen, Secretary to the Board
Lori Palmer, Associate Academic Vice President (representing Karl Worthington)
Doug Warner, Associate Vice President Finance (representing Val Peterson)

Guests
Chris Taylor, Associate Vice President Marketing and Communications

Holiday reception was held with Trustee and Foundation board members and their guests.

I. ACTION

A. Trustee Scholarship Fund/Use of Trustee Stipend. Secretary Karen Olsen explained Trustees receive an attendance stipend of $60 per meeting. The past few years the Trustees have agreed to donate their stipends to a Trustee scholarship fund. The stipends are sent directly to the fund, so there is no transfer of funds for income tax purposes. Trustee Campbell motioned for approval to contribute individual Trustee stipends to the Board of Trustees scholarship fund with no income tax benefit. Trustee Lund seconded. Voting was unanimous.

B. Trustees Award of Excellence. Trustee Chair Janette Beckham explained to new Trustee members the Trustee Award of Excellence is designed to honor exemplary employees within the institution. Trustee members are chosen to review applications. Karen Olsen explained this year we will ask this committee to review applications between January 31 and the February Trustee meeting, which will allow more time for college marketing to prepare materials for the event. Trustee Lund motioned to approve continuation of the Trustee Awards of Excellence. Trustee Campbell seconded. Voting was unanimous.

II. GENERAL CONSENT CALENDAR

A. Minutes of November 13, 2008 Board of Trustees Meeting.
D. Housing Contract. Vice President Duckworth explained this is a contract for students in the Presidential Leadership Program and Honors Program that provides a resident learning environment. The past few years the contract has been with Ventana apartments near the campus. An RFP has gone out to increase to four floor of the housing complex to allow for increased student participation. It has been a very positive experience for the students. Students
receive 75% of their housing costs, and pay the remainder directly to the landlord. Trustees asked about funding in light of budget reductions. They were told that this has been considered but it is felt the value outweighs the costs. They may, however, be changes in the percentage of funding. Trustee Watkins added the PLP students are some of the most involved students on campus. Both programs contribute to the quality of students and the student experience, and are both important additions that need to be continued. Vice President Duckworth noted there are also partnerships with other area apartment owners who utilize student residential engagement coordinators. These coordinators provide student programs, and link students with resources on campus. There are currently 16-17 residential coordinators. The apartment owners pay a percentage of rent for the coordinators, and there is also providing opportunities for student learning environments.

Trustee Watkins motioned for approval of the General Consent Calendar. Trustee Merrill seconded. Voting was unanimous.

III. INFORMATION

A. President’s Report. President Hitch reported on the recent Planning, Budgeting and Accountability conversations that have been held on campus. The focus remains on the four strategic directions: engaged learning, community engagement, university student experience, and resource development and efficiencies). Two conversation sessions were held— one strategic and one operational, with each division participating.

Planning and Budget Executive Director Linda Makin reported on budget constraints and planning. The first round of budget reductions have been completed (4% of state tax funding). Further budget reductions are anticipated and planning is taking place. Both the Governor and Legislative Fiscal Analyst have made recommendations for percentage of budget reduction. The focus at UVU will be on moving forward utilizing strategic directions and reaffirming the commitment to academic quality, student access and student success. Each vice president has been charged to find an additional 3% reduction within their division. Any further reduction will require institutional strategies. Planning money for the Science Building will be a request to the legislature. Other personnel initiatives were discussed.

Meeting adjourned at 8:15 p.m.