

# UVU BOARD OF TRUSTEES

January 23, 2014

7 p.m. – SC213c

## Board of Trustees Members Present

Karen L. Acerson  
Jono Andrews  
Elaine Dalton  
Ronald K. Hawkins  
Steven J. Lund  
Fidel A. Montero  
Terry E. Shoemaker  
R. Duff Thompson

## Board of Trustee Members Excused

Debbie Bingham  
Curtis B. Blair  
Greg S. Butterfield

## UVU Regular Attendees

President Matthew S. Holland  
Marc Archambault, Vice President Development and Alumni  
David Connelly, Faculty Senate President  
Linda Makin, Chief Planning, Budget & Policy Officer  
Chris Taylor, Assoc. Vice President University Relations/CIO  
Karen Olsen, Secretary to the Board  
Val Peterson, Vice President Administration and Finance  
Kyle Reyes, Assistant to the President  
Michelle Taylor, Vice President Student Affairs  
Ian Wilson, Academic Vice President

## Guests:

Virginia Bayer  
Kat Brown  
Thomas Sturtevant, Associate Dean Aviation & Public Services  
David Yells

*Dinner was held with members of the Library staff including Director Mike Freeman, Lesli Baker, Tim Rowley, Annie Smith, Mark Stevens, Kim Rollins, Catherine McIntyre, Jacques D'Emal, and Trevor Young.*

## I. INFORMATION

### A. Campus Report.

1) President Holland reported he recently returned from a productive trip to New York with Trustee Elaine Dalton for development and recruiting, 2) 16 year old UVU math student has developed a new math theorem, and he and his math professor are traveling across the nation presenting papers. 3) Tamara Getz, Assistant Dean of the College of Science & Health and recipient of the Governor's medal for science and technology, is currently on loan to work on the state STEM initiative, 4) Pre-health and Dental Hygiene programs are above the state average for medical and dental school admission and test scores, which is remarkable for a non-research institution, 5) showed a short video demonstration of unmanned aircraft that was used when UVU applied to be one of six test locations in the nation. This could provide 10,000 job and billions in revenue. Public Safety has received national recognition for engaging students and faculty in real time technology. Chair Sturtevant said we weren't selected, but the Governor's office has asked we continue to move this forward, and become provider for leading edge technology in the US. It underscores our mission for engaged learning and response to the needs of our community, and utilizes our strengths. 6) Chamber Choir was one of only nine colleges selected nation-wide to participate in the National Collegiate Choral Organization competition in October. Also, highlights the need for new art facilities, 7) Theater swept the "NCAA of theatre" last year and have been invited back this year, 8) Wolverines are trying to maintain their undefeated record 4-0 in WAC play and are currently in first place in the conference, 9) State of the University address is February 11 at noon in the Ragan Theater. Trustees were invited to attend. This is the mid-year opportunity to report where we are internally and what we are facing during the legislative session. 10) Utah Valley 360.com listed Trustees Karen Acerson and Elaine Dalton as part of the 100 Coolest Mormon Women Alive

**Legislative Update.** Cameron Martin suffered a brain hemorrhage a little over a week ago. He remains in ICU, but anticipates he will be released within the week. We are still not sure when he will be able to return to work, and Chris Taylor is taking over his responsibilities in the interim.

Legislative session is from January 27 – March 13. First week is review of base budget. We will be reporting to them on efficiencies we have created during a season of growth. After this, President Holland will be reporting to the higher education appropriation committee, including need for equity. Commissioner and college presidents remain united for equity. Education remains the main topic of discussion in the session. Trustees were encouraged to attend Higher Education Day on February 20, which is near the time final projections are announced and allocation discussion begins in earnest.

### B. Foundation Report

VP Archambault reported we are still in the process of closing out the 2013 calendar year. He reported on some of the largest gifts in December which are indicative of the level of support: \$30,000 for Autism initiative, \$40,000 for Arts building, \$50,000 for Financial Planning program, \$60,000 for scholarships, \$55,000 for Entrepreneurship, \$100,000 for international programs, \$200,000 for theatre program, and \$250,000 unrestricted for president's greatest needs. They will be tabulating

employee giving which typically is around \$100,000, and all together donations equal \$1 million for December. Development is also working on additional large gifts for the School of Business and the Arts building.

**UVU Foundation Affinity Credit Card Contract.** VP Archambault referred to information in the packet. The Alumni Association has been working with UCCU in a partnership for an alumni credit and debit card which will increase visibility in the community and alumni recognition. It will take some time to be a revenue producer, but it is a good partnership.

**C. Student Life & Wellness Building Requisition.**

Chair Lund referred to a vote made by the Trustees in the October 2013 meeting regarding the requisition for equipment for the new Student Life & Wellness building. Vote was for final approval by the Trustee Executive Committee, which was done. Full inventory of equipment is available for anyone interested.

**II. ACTION**

**A. Resolution of Appreciation for Ronald K. Hawkins**

Resolution was read by Chair Steven J. Lund for Trustee Ron Hawkin's dedicated service to UVU as a Trustee and the Audit Committee Chair.

**B. Curriculum**

Sr. Academic VP, Ian Wilson reviewed curriculum requests.

**1. Certificate of Completion in Aviation Fire Officer.**

This is a unique certificate designed for individuals in the industry, primarily those working in the field, to give them specific skills to fight fires on aircraft, at airports, etc. It is a unique combination of aviation and emergency service fire science program. There are many fires that occur at airports and firefights need specialized training in handling the unique aspects of these fires. It is a post-baccalaureate program. Thomas Sturtevant, Associate Dean, said it will be the first of its kind, and will receive national attention from fire fighters who will want to take advantage of this opportunity. Question was asked on funding-there will be no additional legislative appropriation, but will receive regular state tuition funding. Trustee Shoemaker motioned for approval of the Certificate of Completion in Aviation Fire Officer. Trustee Acerson seconded. Voting was unanimous.

**2. Name Change: Department of Languages to Department of Languages and Cultures.**

The inclusion of Cultures in the department name for languages is reflective of the importance of learning culture, as well as a language. Title change would more accurately reflect the scope of the courses and identify additional experience students will receive. Dean David Yells said it does reflect what the department is doing beyond teaching the language in giving students opportunity to learn both the language and culture, and include preparation for study abroad programs. This is a university model of a language department. Trustee Acerson motioned for approval of the name change of the Department of Languages to the Department of Languages and Cultures. Trustee Andrews seconded. Voting was unanimous.

**3. BS in Botany 3 year follow up report.**

Regents require a third year report on whether we have met the objectives outlined in the degree program when approved, that goes first to Trustees for review and approval. Dr. Virginia Bayer, Botany Department Chair, said the program enrollment has been doubling every year it has been available. There have only been a few graduates at this point, but one graduate has receive a full scholarship for his entire graduate program at Cornell in Plant Science. The graduate committee was surprised at the quality of a program they were unfamiliar with. He had also been doing research with the USDA. Because our students are involved in a lot of field work, they are highly sought after by the Bureau of Land Management. Our plant team recently won first place in the state plant identification competition and is going to national competition. We expect to reach anticipated enrollment within the next year. Trustee questions: 1) why has faculty FTE grown more than student FTE? A secondary education faculty member was hired for sciences, who has won national awards as a botanist, and their FTE is reported for the entire department, not just courses taught in botany, which increases that number. Student and faculty FTE is consistent. 2) What employment opportunities are available beyond the federal government? It will depend on the student emphasis, but because of the field work they gravitate toward land management, pharmaceutical company research on plant-based medicines, and horticulture. Dean Fairbanks has been spearheading research on quinoa, an important third world plant species. 3) Do you anticipate the current degree majors will translate into graduates? Yes, also a number of biology students have enough credits to be seniors but are taking the additional credit to become botany majors. Trustee Hawkins motioned for approval of the BS in Botany 3 year follow up report. Trustee Dalton seconded. Voting was unanimous.

**C. Tenure Approval.**

Trustee Acerson motioned to approve all those presented for tenure. Trustee Shoemaker seconded. Voting was unanimous. Tenure to indicated department approved for Steven Allred, Emergency Services; Bonnie J. Andersen, Physics; Howard Bezzant, Engineering Graphics & Design; Andrew Byrnes, Emergency Services; Cory David Chamberlain, Aviation Science;

Leo Chan, Finance & Economics; Paul Cheney, Digital Media; Joohyun Chung, Nursing; Raquel Cook, Secondary Education; Nathan Cottle, Behavioral Science; Susan Cox, Secondary Education; James Cox, Construction Technologies; Andrew Creer, Exercise Science & Outdoor Recreation; Kenneth Crook, Criminal Justice; Kristine Doty, Behavioral Science; Matthew Duffin, Criminal Justice; Chitrakleha Duttagupta, Basic Composition/ESL; Asmahan El Ezzi, Chemistry; John Fisher, Emergency Services; Douglas Gardner, Student Leadership; James C. Green, Aviation Science; Barry K. Hallsted, Construction Technologies; Erik Heiny, Mathematics; Thomas Henry, Basic Composition/ESL; Colleen Hough, Biology; Vessela Ilieva, Elementary Education; Terisue Smith Jackson, Public & Community Health; Brian L. Jensen, Art & Visual Communications; Xiao Y. Ji, Mathematics; Dianne Knight, Dental Hygiene; Bernd Kupka, Management; Samuel Y. Liang, Philosophy & Humanities; Cheolhwan Oh, Computer Science; Terrance K. Orr, Automotive Technology; Glendon Parker, Biology; Evelyn Porter, Developmental Mathematics; Anthony Romrell, Digital Media; Andre L. Rossi de Oliviera, Finance & Economics; Jae Song, Developmental Mathematics; Ian R. Sorensen, Developmental Mathematics; Mary Sowder, Elementary Education; Sandie H. Waters, Elementary Education. Denial of tenure for Carl Wood.

**D. Land Purchase.**

Trustee Thompson motioned for approval of the land purchase as described by university personnel with the following provisos that prior to closing on the property the following five items be completed: 1) letter of assurance from the Utah Department of Environmental Quality, 2) title commitment to ensure there are no unacceptable encumbrances on the property, 3) record of survey map with the legal description of the 92.38 acres involved in the purchase, 4) review and approval by the Attorney General's office, 5) and outside counsel to review, approve and represent the university in completing this transaction. When the survey is performed, if there is found a need for adjustment on number of acres, a pro rata adjustment of the purchase price will be performed. Trustee Hawkins seconded. Voting was unanimous.

**E. Naming Opportunity.** No action taken.

**F. Change in Trustee Meeting Time.**

Chair Lund referred to survey which indicated support to move to a 4 p.m. starting time. Discussed inviting campus groups as appropriate to present to Trustees, and no longer having a dinner. Trustee Thompson motioned to change starting time of Trustee meetings to 4 p.m. (from 7 p.m.). Trustee Dalton seconded. Voting was unanimous.

**III. CONSENT CALENDAR.**

**A. Minutes of December 5, 2013 Board of Trustee meeting.**

**B. Human Resources Report for November and December 2013**

**C. Investment Report for October and November 2013.** Vice President Peterson reported with movement in the bond market, additional purchases were made with good rates. We continue to watch for those opportunities. Question was asked why the reports are so late, and it is related to getting data back on Foundation investments, which are more variable. Dr. Peterson will communicate request for more timely information, and will check on whether they are part of auditing. Trustee Shoemaker motioned for approval of the Consent Calendar. Trustee Acerson seconded. Voting was unanimous.

Trustee Acerson motioned to hold an Executive Session under the provisions of the Open and Public Meeting Act to discuss personnel and real estate transactions. Trustee Andrews seconded. Voting was unanimous.

*Meeting adjourned at 10:23 p.m.*