

UVU BOARD OF TRUSTEES

January 23, 2020

4 p.m. – SC 213c

Board of Trustee Members Present

James Clark, First Vice Chair
Karen Acerson
Taylor Bell
Elaine Dalton
Dru Huffaker
Rick Nielsen
Scott Smith
Paul Thompson
Jill Taylor, Second Vice Chair

UVU Attendees

Astrid S. Tuminez, President
Anne Arendt, Faculty Senate President
Clark Collings, Interim General Counsel
Scott Cooksey, Vice President, Development and Alumni
Cameron Gunter, UVU Foundation Board Chair
Linda Makin, Vice President, Planning, Budgets, and HR
Cam Martin, Vice President, Marketing & Communication
Val Peterson, Vice President, Finance and Administration
Kyle Reyes, Vice President, Student Affairs
Wayne Vaught, Provost & Vice President, Academic Affairs
Katie Zabriskie, Executive Communication Officer

First Vice Chair James Clarke welcomed those in attendance to the January 2020 Board of Trustees meeting and addressed absences and those joining by phone. He introduced Cameron Gunter as the UVU Foundation Board Chair. The Trustees then affirmed an in memoriam resolution of appreciation for Aileen Clyde, an advocate and friend of UVU who served on the UVCC Board of Trustees and on the USHE Board of Regents.

I. ACTION

1. Academic Programs

The Board of Trustees were presented with a request to approve several additions and a deletion to academic programs. Little conversation occurred around each of the programs as it was noted that the Academic Affairs Committee had discussed each program in depth with good conversation and felt confident in advancing them to the full Board. A question was asked about the qualitative v. quantitative nature of research in the Anthropology degree. The collective addition of the programs was noted as a sign of the university's growing academic strength and responsiveness to community need. Trustee Paul Thompson motioned to approve the addition of the AA/AS in Humanities and Social Science; the addition of the BA/BS/Minor in Anthropology; the addition of the BS/BA/Minor in Sociology; and the deletion of the BA/BS of Behavioral Science. Trustee Scott Smith seconded. The motion carried without opposition.

2. Policy

The Board of Trustees were presented with several policies to review. The Trustees were first asked to approve Policy 152 Accommodations for Individuals with Disabilities. It was noted that this policy was updated to enhance processes of support for all those with disabilities and ensure federal compliance. Trustee Jill Taylor motioned to approve revisions to Policy 152. Trustee Karen Acerson seconded. The motion carried without opposition. The Trustees were then asked to approve deletion of Policy 153 Americans with Disabilities Grievance Act. The policy had been incorporated into the Policy 152 revision. Trustee Acerson motioned to approve deletion of Policy 153. Trustee Rick Nielsen seconded. The motion carried without opposition.

Finally, the Trustees were asked to approve revisions to Policy 160 Animals on Campus. Modifications to this policy ensure UVU is in compliance with federal regulations and national best practices. It delineates differences between services animals and emotional support animals and explains the accommodations process with respect thereto. After discussion about the specifics of emotional support animals, Trustee Taylor Bell motioned to approve the revisions to Policy 160. Trustee Dru Huffaker seconded. The motion carried without opposition.

3. Health Professions Building Expansion

The Board of Trustees were asked to approve the addition of specialized teaching space (an annex) in the Health Professions building on west campus to support the Physician's Assistant program. It was noted that the viability and success of the program, including accreditation, requires new space to support student cohort size and

equipment needs. It was further noted that a gift of \$1.5 million would be used to build this approximately 3,450 sq.ft. annex on the HP building. Trustee P. Thompson motioned to approve the expenditure of gifted funds for the construction of the teaching lab addition to the Health Professions building. Trustee Nielsen seconded. The motion carried without opposition.

II. EXECUTIVE SESSION

Trustee Taylor Bell motioned to enter Executive Session to strategically discuss character, professional competence, or physical or mental health of an individual, and litigation that is pending or reasonably imminent. Trustee P. Thompson seconded. The motion carried without opposition.

I. ACTION (Continued)

3. Honorary Degrees

Trustee Acerson motioned to approve the commencement speaker and honorary degree recipients agreed to by the Board of Trustees in executive session with the intention to reveal those names at the State of the University. Trustee Taylor seconded. The motion carried without opposition.

III. CONSENT CALENDAR

The Trustees were asked to review the Consent Calendar, which consisted of the minutes of December 5, 2019; the October and November 2019 Investment Reports; and the Institutional Discretionary Funds 2019-20 Budget Revision II. Trustee Smith motioned to approve the Consent Calendar. Trustee Huffaker seconded. The motion carried without opposition.

IV. INFORMATION

1. Committee Reports

The Board of Trustees was provided with an update on the most recent meeting of the Academic Affairs Committee by Committee Chair P. Thompson. It was noted that the meeting focused on the academic program approvals voted on in the meeting. The Trustees were also provided with an update on the meeting of the Audit Committee by Committee Chair Clarke during which UVU was given the results of the State institutional audit which found UVU to be in good fiscal health and compliant. The Trustees were apprised of beneficial changes to accounting practices, the new legal status of the UVU Foundation, and the impact these changes will have on accountability and auditing going forward.

2. UVU Advocacy

The Trustees were presented with three slide decks that serve to answer questions about and provide support for UVU's approach to and plans for enhancing completion, managing growth, and providing affordable, accessible education. The Trustees engaged in conversation about UVU's 45% completion goal and the ability to successfully achieve it as well as a discussion about affordability, the true cost of a UVU education, and the conversations happening about UVU's affordability in the legislature, USHE, and press.

3. University Update

President Astrid S. Tuminez presented the Trustees with an update on the university since the December 2019 Board meeting. Topics included reminders about upcoming arts performances and institutional events; updates on construction; highlights of student successes, faculty honors, program recognitions, monetary gifts and awards; and, athletic successes on the court and in the classroom. An update was then given on digital transformation and online learning. President Tuminez closed with a discussion of UVU's legislative budget priorities and institutional asks.

Chair Clarke adjourned the meeting.