

# **UVU BOARD OF TRUSTEES**

April 16, 2019

5:45 p.m. – CB 508, Utah Valley University

## **Board of Trustee Members Present**

Elaine Dalton, Chair  
Karen Acerson  
James Clarke  
Rick Nielsen  
Marc Reynolds  
Jack Sunderlage, Second Vice Chair  
Paul Thompson

## **Others Present**

Jeff Johnson

## **UVU Attendees**

Astrid S. Tuminez, President  
Karen Clemes, General Counsel  
Justin Jones, Chief of Staff, Secretary to the Board  
Linda Makin, Vice President, Planning, Budgets, and HR  
Cameron Martin, Vice President, University Relations  
Jeff Olson, Senior Vice President, Academic Affairs  
Belinda Otukolo Saltiban, CIDO  
Kyle Reyes, Vice President, Student Affairs  
Craig Thulin, Faculty Senate President  
Katie Zabriskie, Executive Communication Officer

## **I. ACTION**

### **1. Mission Statement Revision**

The Trustees were asked to approve a newly articulated mission statement and values/action commitments for the university which clarified and streamlined the existing statement. They were provided with a review of the revision process, including the timeframe and the constituents consulted. The grievances with the process were noted as were the concerns articulated by the faculty about specific terminology, including the phrase community college. The negative disposition towards this term was explained in terms of public perception and connotation. The Trustees engaged in a lengthy, thoughtful conversation about the university's dual mission, the need to protect and support this identity, the desire to promote and clarify the robust role of UVU as an educational institution of choice in the Valley, and how UVU moves forward with this new mission statement as its guide. After confirming the language of the mission statement, Trustee Paul Thompson motioned to approve adoption of "Utah Valley University is an integrated university and community college that educates every student for success in work and life through excellence in engaged teaching, services, and scholarship" as the new mission statement and the adoption of the action commitments and values as discussed. Trustee James Clarke seconded. The motion passed without opposition.

Chair Dalton adjourned the meeting.