

**Minutes**  
Weber State University  
Board of Trustees  
March 19, 2019 – 9:30 a.m.  
Davis Campus – Building D-3 Room 201  
2750 University Park Blvd., Layton, UT 84041

**Trustee Members:**

Mr. Nolan Karras (Chair)  
Ms. Kearston Cutrubus (Vice Chair)  
Ms. Karla Bergeson  
Mr. Marty Carpenter  
Mr. Don Salazar  
Mr. Jordan Slater  
Mr. Clint Costley (Alumni Representative)

**Via Telephone:** Ms. Karen Fairbanks

**Excused:**

Mr. Scott Parson  
Mr. Jeff Stephens  
Ms. Danielle Croyle

**Weber State University Representatives:**

Dr. Brad Mortensen, President  
Dr. Norm Tarbox, Vice President for Administrative Affairs  
Dr. Madonne Miner, Provost  
Dr. Brett Perozzi, Vice President for Student Affairs  
Dr. Bret Ellis, Vice President for Information Technology  
Dr. Jack Rasmussen, Dean, College of Education  
Dr. Jennifer Turley, Professor of Nutrition/Chair Athletic Training and Nutrition  
Dr. Saori Hanaki, Assistant Professor, Exercise and Sports Science  
Dr. Richard Fry, Professor //Computer Science, EAST  
Ms. Jesselie Anderson, Utah Board of Regents  
Ms. Stephanie Hollist, Deputy General Counsel  
Ms. Jackie Shafer, Chair, Staff Advisory Committee  
Ms. Allison Hess, Director, Public Relations  
Ms. Sherri Cox, Administrative Associate

**Press:**

No members of the press were present

Welcome

Approval,  
Ratification of  
Meeting Minutes  
(Feb. 14, 2019)  
Dean's  
Presentation  
(Dean Jack  
Rasmussen/Dr.  
Jennifer  
Turley/Dr. Saori  
Hanaki)

Faculty Report  
(Dr. Richard Fry)

WSUSA  
President's  
Report

Written Reports

- I. The Board of Trustees meeting convened at 9:35 a.m.
- II. Chair Mr. Nolan Karras welcomed those in attendance.
- III. Upon a motion from Mr. Marty Carpenter with a second by Mr. Jordan Slater, the Board of Trustees unanimously approved the meeting minutes from Feb. 14, 2019.
- IV. Dr. Jack Rasmussen, Dean of the College of Education, gave a brief overview of the college.  
  
Dr. Jennifer Turley, Professor of Nutrition and Chair of Athletic Training and Nutrition, gave information on Exercise and Sport Science, including their upcoming move from Athletic Training and Nutrition to Exercise and Nutrition Science on July 1. Other highlights included: Enrollment trends, demographics, high impact research, nutrition education, high impact practices, directed undergraduate research, job opportunities for graduates, and the online program, which is the only one of its kind in America.
- V. Dr. Richard Fry, Professor/Computer Science, EAST, presented a faculty report on two projects in the School of Computing: Collaboration with other colleges and community service both locally and internationally. He shared a presentation from the Boane Mozambique, Africa Womens Center Project, which was started by WSU students five years ago. The project involves teaching skills and has an IT curriculum and job training on Microsoft Office suite, desktop publishing and website construction. Another project involves partnering with North-Chiang Mai University where 46 WSU students teach children from Thailand to read in English using software programs.
- VI. Student Body President Jordan Slater shared election results. Brett Alexander is his successor and won by 11 votes. He gave a report on WSUSA "Weber's Got Talent" night, which had record attendance and talked about upcoming events included in his handout.
- VII. President Brad Mortensen gave an update on the legislative session. His report included that the legislative session was very positive for Weber State University. \$50 million was awarded for funding the construction of the Noorda Engineering & Applied Science building, 2.5% salary increase, health benefit increase and designated money for

strategic workforce investments and programs to support growth and capacity among our students. \$27 million was awarded statewide for performance funding. WSU should receive around \$2.8 million of that fund.

Clint Costley, alumni representative, shared information about the H. Aldous Dixon Award Luncheon which will be held tomorrow, March 20, at 12:00 noon. Steve Nabor and Julie Rich are recipients of this award.

There was no staff advisory committee report given.

Business  
Committee  
Report  
Action Items

VIII. Nolan Karras, serving as chair of the Business Committee, brought the following report before the Board of Trustees:

1. FY20 General Fees Increase and Budget - Vice President Brett Perozzi explained that this is primarily a student process with 10 students and 2 faculty that sit on the board. They allocate the difference in funding for student fees from one year to the next. They voted to approve a 3% student fee increase.

**ACTION**

On a motion to approve the FY20 general student fees budget with an increase of 3%, made by Mr. Jordan Slater seconded by Mr. Marty Carpenter, the Board of Trustees unanimously approved the motion.

2. FY20 Tuition Rate Increase – President Mortensen spoke to students at the Truth in Tuition Hearing on March 11, 2019. An increase of tuition by 2-3% was proposed to the student senate to cover several different areas. The student senate was supportive of this increase. After legislative sessions were completed, it was determined that a 2% tuition increase would be sufficient to meet the needs of WSU.

**ACTION**

On a motion to approve the packet of changes pertaining to the FY20 tuition rate increase of 2%, made by Mr. Don Salazar seconded by Ms. Kearston Cutrbus, the Board of Trustees unanimously approved the motion.

3. PPM 6-8, Student Fee Philosophy policy changes were discussed during the Business Committee meeting. The Board of Regents has a policy in place.

Changes to this policy puts WSU in better alignment with their policy. Students recommended a change to the wording and viewpoint neutrality was added.

**ACTION**

On a motion to approve the changes to PPM 6-8 Student Fee Philosophy, made by Mr. Jordan Slater, with a second by Mr. Marty Carpenter, the motion was approved.

Campus Security

- IX. Vice President Norm Tarbox gave a policy update on campus security policies. Changes include the areas of: Public Safety, Locks and Keys and Inventory Control. All areas have minor changes to meet updated standards.

**ACTION**

On a motion to approve the changes to campus security policies made by Mr. Jordan Slater, with a second by Mr. Don Salazar, the motion was approved by the Board of Trustees.

Personnel & Academic Policy Committee

- X. Ms. Karla Bergeson, acting chair of the Personnel and Academic Committee, gave the following report concerning the following programs needing the Board of Trustees approval:

Information Items

1. Sabbatical Leave Request by Dean Jeff Steagall for a one semester sabbatical and return to teaching.

**ACTION**

On a motion to approve the sabbatical leave request by Dean Jeff Steagall made by Mr. Don Salazar, with a second by Mr. Jordan Slater, the motion carried.

2. Minor in Music Studies – Meets the needs of students not seeking a major in music
3. Finance Minor – Meets the needs of students not seeking a major in finance.

**ACTION**

On a motion to approve both the Minor in Music Studies and the Finance Minor made by Ms. Kearston Cutrbus, with a second by Mr. Marty Carpenter, the motion passed unanimously.

Certificates of Proficiency

4. Certificate of Proficiencies: All are stackable, which enables students to be more employable more quickly.
  - a. Certificate of Proficiency in Building Design & Construction Essentials

- b. Certificate of Proficiency in Geospatial Technology
- c. Certificate of Proficiency in Japanese
- d. Certificate of Proficiency in Chinese
- e. Certificate of Proficiency in French
- f. Certificate of Proficiency in German
- g. Certificate of Proficiency in ASL

**ACTION**

On a motion to approve all seven of the Certificates of Proficiency made by Mr. Don Salazar, with a second by Mr. Jordan Slater, the motion passed unanimously.

Renaming and Moving of AAS in Interior Design

- 5. Renaming AAS in Interior Design Technology to AAS in Interior Design and moving from Professional Sales to Construction and Building Sciences.

Moving Interior Design Minor

- 6. Moving the Minor in Interior Design from Professional Sales to construction and Building Sciences.

Name Change

- 7. Name change from AS in Biotechnician to AS in Biology.

**ACTION**

Upon a motion by Ms. Kearston Cutrubus to approve the name and location change of Interior Design, the moving of the Interior Design minor, and name change from AS in Biotechnician to AS in Biology, with a second by Mr. Don Salazar, the motion passed unanimously.

PPM 4-19b Grade Changes

- 8. PPM 4-19b Grade Changes – Minor changes stipulating that grade changes be made by faculty members only.

PPM 4-21 Transfer Credit and Credit by Exam

- 9. PPM 4-21 Transfer Credit and Credit by Exam – The policy allows credit to transfer at the same level from other institutions. At the graduate level, experiential coursework cannot be offered for credit.

**ACTION**

Upon a motion by Mr. Jordan Slater to approve both PPM changes, with a second by Ms. Kearston Cutrubus, the Board of Trustees approved the motion unanimously.

Consent Calendar

- XI. Upon a motion by Mr. Marty Carpenter to approve the Consent Calendar items, with a second by Mr. Don Salazar, the motion passed unanimously.

Closed Executive Session

XII. A motion to hold a closed meeting was made by Mr. Jordan Slater. Trustees Marty Carpenter, Karen Bergeson, Nolan Karras, Don Salazar, Karen Fairbanks, and Kearston Cutrbus voted unanimously to continue with a closed meeting to discuss character and professional competence, or physical or mental health of an individual.

A motion to adjourn the closed session was made by Mr. Marty Carpenter with a second by Mr. Don Salazar. The Board of Trustees voted unanimously to end the closed session.

Regents Recommendations for WSU Representative

XIII. Regents Recommendations per Utah Code Ann. §53B-1-104.(1)(b) were discussed by Chair Nolan Karras. The names presented as potential representatives of Weber State University Board of Trustees to the Board of Regents will be: Scott Parson, Allan Hall, and Louenda Downs.

**ACTION**

Upon a motion by Mr. Jordan Slater to approve the three names to submit to the Board of Regents, with a second by Mr. Marty Carpenter, the Board of Trustees approved the motion unanimously.

Meeting Adjourned

VI. With no further items, the meeting came to a close.

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