

# Special Meeting of the Oregon Tech Board of Trustees Sunset Room, Klamath Falls Campus

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June 30, 2016 8a-2p

# **Minutes**

**Trustees Present:** 

Chair Graham Jessica Gomez
Vice Chair Sliwa Vince Jones
Jeremy Brown Jill Mason

Bill Goloski Kelley Minty Morris

### University Staff and Faculty Present:

Kathleen Adams, Associate Professor Humanities and Social Sciences

Lita Colligan, AVP Strategic Partnership and Government Relations

Evelyn Hobbs, Program Director Dental Hygiene

Jay Kenton, Interim VP Finance and Administration

LeAnn Maupin, Dean of the College of Health, Arts, and Sciences

Laura McKinney, VP Wilsonville Campus

Stephanie Machado, Instructor Humanities and Social Sciences

SophiaLyn Nathenson, Assistant Professor Humanities and Social Sciences

Hallie Neupert, Dean of the College of Engineering, Technology, and Management

Mark Neupert, Department Chair Humanities and Social Sciences

Tracy Ricketts, AVP Development and Alumni Relations

Paul Rowan, AVP Information Technology Services

Di Saunders, AVP Marketing and Communication

Erika Veth, Dean of Online Learning

### 1. Call to Order/Roll/Declaration of a Quorum

**Chair Graham** called the meeting to order at 8:02am. The Secretary called roll and a quorum was declared.

## 2. Consent Agenda

- 2.1 Approval of Minutes from June 8, 2016 Meeting
- 2.2 Adoption of Amended Tuition and Fee Policy
- 2.3 Approval of Cornett Hall Renovation Project
- 2.4 Adoption of President Evaluation Process Policy
- 2.5 Approval of the Sale of the President's Residence

Trustee Stewart moved to approve the consent agenda. Trustee Gomez seconded the motion. With all Trustees present voting aye, the motion passed unanimously.

#### 3. Action Items

3.1 Request to Adopt the 2016-17 Education and General Fund Budget

**Interim VPFA Kenton** stated the Finance and Facilities Committee reviewed the proposed budget yesterday and passed a motion requesting the Board approve the budget. He walked through the assumptions and proposed budget.

Trustee Sliwa moved to adopt the 2016-17 Education and General Fund Budget. Trustee Gomez seconded the motion.

Interim VPFA Kenton stated there was a \$30,000 increase in the marketing budget to allow for additional marketing strategies such as video. Trustee Minty Morris encouraged the Board to continue to look at providing resources for advertising.

Discussion regarding enrollment management and the need for additional funding. **Staff is requested to come back in Fall with reports from Enrollment Management.** Clarification that the action of approving this budget does not approve the OMIC project.

With all Trustees present voting aye, the motion passed unanimously.

**Chair Graham** moved Discussion Item 4.1.1 to the Action Items section as a motion of support is requested for the OHSU/SLMC/OIT rural health project.

4.1.1 Rural Health Initiatives and Innovation to Healthcare Program Portfolio Dean Maupin walked through the history of rural health engagement, highlights of current initiatives, and what the college hopes to accomplish including the partnership with OHSU and SLMC. Discussion regarding replicating the Medical Laboratory Science program on the Klamath Falls campus.

Program Director Hobbs walked through the Dental Hygiene program. Discussion regarding programs Oregon Tech could consider offering beyond dental hygiene such as hospital dentistry. Professor Nathenson and Instructor Machado gave an overview of the Population Health Management program. Professor Adams walked through the new master's in Marriage and Family Therapy program. Mark Neupert explained the bigger picture of the humanities and social sciences department.

Trustee Sliwa moved the University actively collaborate with Sky Lakes Medical Center and Oregon Health & Science University to expand rural healthcare professional training and grow Oregon Tech's rural healthcare degree programs in Klamath Falls to meet industry demand and continue to be an economic and educational resource for our state and region. Trustee Mason seconded the motion.

**Trustee Stewart** stated SLMC is proposing to construct a 90,000 sf building to house clinical space, the OHSU dean's office, and educational space (Oregon tech and OHSU), among other things; OHSU expects to rotate 250-300 students through the campus. The idea is to have Oregon Tech participate as a partner in a new 509(a) fundraising entity to raise \$50M. This would authorize OHSU and SLMC to use Oregon Tech's logo and name in marketing and fundraising.

**Interim VPFA Kenton** clarified the type of support expected of the university as both programmatic and funding including fundraising, participation in academic growth, support of the board and sending a message to the Foundation that this is a priority.

BREAK 10:55am - 11:05am

3.2 Oregon Manufacturing Innovation Center (OMIC) Due Diligence Report and Decision Regarding Moving Forward with Phase II Due Diligence Interim VPFA Kenton walked through the due diligence phase I findings. He explained that the maximum amount Oregon Tech will contribute is \$1.7M. All other upgrades or requirements will need to be made by other partners. Vice Chair Sliwa explained the history of the project, how Oregon Tech became the host university, capped the investment, and created a two phase due diligence process. Chair Graham stated the

strategic mission will likely change over 5-10 years as the project builds out. **Trustee Gomez** expressed her concerns regarding water and electrical capacity and quality.

Trustee Minty Morris exited the meeting at 11:53am.

**Chair Graham** adjourned the meeting at 11:59am to go into executive session per ORS 192.660(2)(e) to conduct deliberations regarding negotiations of real property transactions. The public meeting will reconvene at the conclusion of executive session.

Meeting reconvened at 12:39pm.

Vice Chair Sliwa moved to empower administration to complete the negotiations for closing the first round of due diligence, increasing the earnest money by \$1M, \$42,000 of which would not be refundable, to continue to the second phase of due diligence. Trustee Stewart seconded.

**Interim VPFA Kenton** clarified that the contract requires the Board give approval, as determined in its sole discretion, and it is transferring that discretion to Interim President Kenton.

Roll-call vote was called and with all Trustees present voting aye, the motion passed unanimously.

BREAK FOR LUNCH 12:46pm - 1:00pm

- 4. Discussion
  - 4.1 Overview of Initiative Accomplishments
    - 4.1.2 Strategic Enrollment Management

Due to time constraints no presentation was given. **VP McKinney** gave an overview of the information contained in the written material and PowerPoint presentation. She is willing to come back in fall with an update and to answer any questions. **Chair Graham asked trustees to review the materials and be prepared to ask questions at the Fall meeting.** 

4.1.3 Academic Community and Industry Partnerships and Outreach
AVP Lita Colligan explained how the university is responding to the Board's
desires to be an outward facing, industry focused university, and to be business
serving, market responsive and flexible. She walked through how the university is
building a culture supporting applied research, invention, entrepreneurship, and

responsiveness to market opportunities, including building support by growing the graduate program and applied research centers in the community. She explained a new position, Associate Provost of Research, was approved but not filled. She gave an update on the Oregon Renewable Energy Center (OREC) and the request for HECC to support the request for funding. She stated funding was obtained to expand the high school transition program and Southern Oregon was designated as a STEM hub. Discussion regarding release time for faculty so they can partake in some of the projects.

# 4.1.4 Campus Improvements and Image

Due to time constraints no presentation was given. Interim VPFA Kenton highlighted the Cornett Hall Remodel, recreation center and infrastructure improvements. He and Trustee Jones suggested the Board look into adopting a standard of building (e.g., LEED Silver). Chair Graham asked trustees to review the materials and be prepared to ask questions at the Fall meeting.

### 4.2 Work Plan and Calendar Scheduling

**Chair Graham** stated the previously planned retreat for July 28-29 is cancelled but a teleconference is scheduled for Monday, September 19 from 1-5pm to cover any board business; enrollment update; OMIC; OREC, etc.

Interim VPFA Kenton stated we operate on a biennium cycle so the odd/cross-biennial years will be different than even years. Requested each staff member(s) work with their committee chair to bring forward an annual work plan at the fall meeting.

Interim VPFA Kenton requested the Foundation meeting and Board meeting be coordinated so that the two groups could have social time together.

Trustee Brown would like to have an annual reflection on where we are in relation to the strategic plan; requested president goals reflect the strategic plans. Opportunity for new president to revise the strategic plan and ask for Board endorsement/approval.

#### 5. Other Business/New Business

Round table reflection; all trustees gave a statement of their thoughts regarding the meetings.

### 6. Public Comment

None

#### 7. Adjournment

Chair Graham adjourned the meeting at 2:05pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Sandra Fox

**Board Secretary**