

Special Meeting of the Oregon Tech Board of Trustees Executive Committee Telephone Conference

Public site: Snell 217, Klamath Falls Campus

June 8, 2016 11am-noon

MINUTES

Trustees Present:

Chair Graham Dan Peterson Vice Chair Sliwa Paul Stewart

Other Trustees Present:

Jill Mason

University Staff and Faculty Present:

Erin Foley, Dean of Students/VP Student Affairs Tracy Ricketts, AVP of Development and Alumni Relations

Others Present:

Merril Keane, Legal Counsel with Miller Nash Graham and Dunn

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

Chair Graham called the meeting to order at 11:05am. The Secretary called roll and a quorum was declared.

2. Consent Agenda

2.1 Approve Minutes from the May 5, 2016 Meeting

Trustee Peterson moved to approve the consent agenda. Vice Chair Sliwa seconded the motion. With all Trustees present voting aye, the motion passed unanimously.

3. Action Items

3.1 Approve Presidential Transition Plan

Chair Graham stated that she worked with the university's legal counsel, President Maples and his legal counsel to create a plan to ensure continuity and stability during the transition to an interim president and balance the needs of the university with those of the president. The document addresses funding, relocation funds, and vacating university property amongst other

details. **Chair Graham** stated **Trustee Brown** requested to amend the Transition Plan to read that the Human Resources Department would be the contact for reference calls after Trustee Brown serves his term(s). **Chair Graham** clarified that President Maples requested that reference calls to the board would go to Trustee Brown rather than the Chair of the Board.

Vice-Chair Sliwa moved to approve the Presidential Transition Plan with the amendment stating the University Human Resources Department would receive reference calls after Trustee Brown served his term(s) on the Board. Trustee Peterson seconded the motion. With all Trustees present voting aye, the motion passed unanimously.

Chair Graham will follow up with legal counsel to finalize the document.

4. Discussion Items

4.1 June 29, 2016 Agenda Items

Chair Graham walked through the proposed agenda items for the June 29 Executive Committee meeting: proposal to adopt the Presidential Evaluation Policy; update on the Agreement between the University and the Foundation; and discussions regarding new trustee orientation, board evaluation process, and trustee self-evaluation process. Vice Chair Sliwa suggested Dr. Kenton address current and next year's enrollment projections. Trustee Mason joined the call at 11:20am.

Trustee Peterson would like to have an overview of all personnel categories and the amount of funding attributed to each to increase the awareness of the Trustees; suggestion to have a presentation from Human Resources. **Chair Graham** stated staff and faculty activities (who does what) could be addressed by Dr. Kenton in the University report to the full board.

Discussion regarding Strategic Retreat: Consensus to wait until the new President is identified to hold a retreat and to hold a Board meeting via teleconference in September during convocation.

Board Secretary Fox will notify full Board of decision to postpone the retreat and schedule a teleconference in September to meet the quarterly meeting requirement.

5. Other Business/New Business

Board Secretary Fox explained the history of submitting the university's mission to the Higher Education Coordinating Commission for review. The HECC requested a modification of the Mission to change "Oregon's citizens" to "Oregonians." **Vice Chair Sliwa** believes it is a valid correction as there is no citizenship for the state of Oregon.

Trustee Stewart moved to act as the Board of Trustees and approve Amended Resolution 15-5 changing "Oregon's citizens" to "Oregonians." Vice Chair Sliwa seconded the motion. With all Trustees present voting aye, the motion passed unanimously.

Board Secretary Fox will notify the remaining Trustees of the action.

Vice Chair Sliwa suggested adding a section to the Board's agenda outlining all Executive Committee actions; this would allow the board to advise the Executive Committee if the board feels the committee is overstepping its bounds. Chair Graham will work with Board Secretary to incorporate a section identifying Executive Committee actions into the full board agenda.

Adjournment

Meeting adjourned at 11:34am.

Respectfully submitted,

Sandra Fox

Board Secretary