

5-15-2014

Board of Trustees Minutes, May 15, 2014

Eastern Washington University

Follow this and additional works at: http://dc.ewu.edu/trustees_minutes

Recommended Citation

Board of Trustees Minutes, May 15, 2014. Board of Trustees Records, University Archives & Special Collections, Eastern Washington University, Cheney, WA. http://dc.ewu.edu/trustees_minutes.

This Article is brought to you for free and open access by the Board of Trustees Records at EWU Digital Commons. It has been accepted for inclusion in Board of Trustees Minutes by an authorized administrator of EWU Digital Commons. For more information, please contact jotto@ewu.edu.



**BOARD OF TRUSTEES
Regular Meeting**

**Friday
May 15, 2014**

MINUTES

Trustees Present:

Paul Tanaka, Chair
Uriel Iñiguez
Michael O'Donnell
James Murphy
Robert Whaley
Vicki Wilson

Call to Order, I.

Chair Tanaka called the May 15, 2014, meeting of the Eastern Washington University Board of Trustees to order at 12:12 p.m.

Quorum, II.

A quorum was present. JoAnn Kauffman was absent.

Executive Session, III.

Chair Tanaka announced the Board will convene in executive session under RCW 42.30.110(1)(g)(i) for the following purposes: to evaluate the qualifications of an applicant for public employment or to review the performance of a public employee; to discuss with legal counsel representing the agency matters relating to agency enforcement actions, litigation or potential litigation. Also, the Board will plan or adopt the strategy or position to be taken by the governing body during the course of any collective bargaining, professional negotiations, or grievance or mediation proceedings, or will review the proposals made in the negotiations or proceedings while in progress, which is exempt pursuant to RCW 42.30.140. Executive session concluded at 1:50 p.m.

Reconvene Open Meeting

Chair Tanaka called the Regular Session of the May 15, 2014, meeting of the Eastern Washington Board of Trustees to order at 1:56 p.m.

Chair Tanaka updated the campus on selection of the finalists for the position of president: Dr. Tim Mescon, president of Columbus State University in Georgia (May 29 -30); Dr. Rex Fuller, provost and vice president for academic affairs at Eastern Washington University (June 2 – 3); and Dr. Mary

Cullinan, president of Southern Oregon University (June 4 – 5). The interview schedule will have options for Cheney and Riverpoint campus visits for staff and community members. Chair Tanaka encouraged the campus community to attend the meetings and to learn about the candidates. He thanked the Presidential Search Advisory Committee for their service.

Reports, IV.

University President's Report, IV.A.

President Arévalo announced that Dr. Roy Sonnema accepted the position of the Dean of the College of Arts, Letters and Education (CALE), effective July 1. He also told of a special event planned for June 2: the dedication of the Phase I building on the Riverpoint Campus. Washington State University (WSU) will turn over the keys to EWU in a public ceremony to commemorate the exchange of the building. At the event, information will be shared about the new College of Health Science and Public Health. All are invited to attend.

Dr. Arévalo was the keynote speaker at the Washington Student Achievement Council's 2014 Educational Attainment for All Diversity Conference. More than 200 attended the event. He was able to share his experiences in serving diverse student populations. Dr. Arévalo reported that EWU's NSF grant proposal entitled, *S-STEM: Increasing the participation of the first-generation and underrepresented students in the sciences* was fully funded at \$592,894. This is a very positive grant for our students.

The Corporate Cup competition in Bloomsday was won again this year by Eastern's team, EWU-Red, and this makes 18 years in a row! Corporate Cup competition began in 1982, and Eastern has won 22 of 32 years. Carl Combs, Jeff Corkill, and Grant Smith each scored a perfect 1,000 points, while Dave Millet and Jeffery Rahn were within a few seconds of perfect scores. EWU-Women, consisting of Kendra Kelley, Carri Kreider, Laurie Morley, Rachel Toor, and Sally Winkle, came in second in the women's division. Dr. Grant Smith and EWU-Red team members attended the board meeting and, in the spirit of inclusiveness, honored President Arévalo with a team shirt. Trustee Murphy also lauded the impressive achievements of Dr. Grant; he commended him for his competitive spirit and leadership of the EWU-Red team.

Organization President's Reports, IV.B.

Faculty Organization, IV.B.1.

President Smith reported the June 9 Senate meeting would be dedicated to discussing the presidential candidates. She reminded the board that this was her last meeting and asked trustees to welcome her successor, President Elect Mindy Breen. Kevin Decker has been elected vice president. She thanked the board for working with her on behalf of faculty efforts. See Dr. Smith's written report for details of specific accomplishments.

Classified Staff Union, IV.B.2.

Associated Students, IV.B.3.

The students have been busy with elections. President Jigre was pleased to announce that he will return as president again next academic year. Brendan Hargrave will serve as executive vice president; Keirstan Hanson, finance vice president; Cassidy France, academic affairs; Kyle Dodson, athletic affairs and university advancement; Jorge Garcia, diversity; Kristina Li, graduate affairs; Mikaila Leyva,

legislative affairs; and Abbey Madison; student activities. See Mr. Jigre’s written report for details of specific projects and activities.

Trustee O’Donnell asked about the defeat of the PUB remodel and asked President Jigre’s plan for passing it next year. Mr. Jigre reported that overall students felt the fee was too high. Francisco Navarro further explained the student position: the vote was 546, no and 536, yes. The Council did not feel comfortable implementing a fee when the students are split nearly even. The cost to students is \$85 per quarter. It is a great project, but both DJ Jigre and Francisco Navarro believe students will support the project once they become more educated on the topic.

Public Comment, V.

There was no public comment.

Action Items, VI.

Consent Action Items, VI.

Minutes of the March 21, 2014, Special Board of Trustees Meeting, VI.A.1.

Personnel Actions – Tenure and Promotions, VI.A.2.

Housing Renovation, VI.A.3.

EWU 402-01, Discrimination, Sexual Harassment, Sexual Misconduct, Domestic Violence, Relationship Violence, Stalking, and Retaliation, VI.A.4a.

EWU 303-03, Student Academic Integrity, VI.A.4b.

Motion 05-01-14: Trustee Whaley moved that the entire consent agenda be approved.

Seconded by Trustee Murphy.

Motion carried.

Adjournment, VII.

Chair Tanaka adjourned the EWU Board of Trustees meeting at 2:19 p.m.

Paul Tanaka, Chair
Board of Trustees

Rodolfo Arévalo, Secretary