



**Special Meeting of the SOU Board of Trustees
January 5, 2015 Meeting
DeBoer Boardroom, Hannon Library**

Minutes

Trustees Present: Les AuCoin (telephone), Lyn Hennion (telephone; departed at 12:00pm), Jeremy Nootenboom, Roy Saigo (ex-officio), Teresa Sayre, April Sevcik, Judy Shih, Dennis Slattery, Bill Thorndike, Steve Vincent, Shea Washington.

University Staff Present: Dr. Susan Walsh, Craig Morris, Jason Catz, Liz Shelby, Eric Baird, Ryan Brown, Mark Denney

Guests: Stephanie Keaveney

Call to Order

President Saigo called the meeting to order at 10:30am, and asked the Chief of Staff to call the roll. A quorum was present.

Appointment of Interim Board Secretary and Board Chair

President Saigo made the motion to appoint Liz Shelby as interim Board Secretary for this meeting. Motion seconded by Bill Thorndike. Motion carried unanimously.

Appointment of Interim Board Chair

President Saigo made the motion to appoint Bill Thorndike as interim Board Chair for this meeting. Motion seconded by Les AuCoin. Motion carried unanimously.

Public Comments

No public comments.

Action Item: Mc-Neal Pavilion - Student Rec Center (SRC)

Vice President Craig Morris presented background information on the development of deferred maintenance projects and how McNeil Pavilion's serious safety issues caused it to move up in priority. In the Legislative session of 2014, the Legislature authorized \$21.3M for deferred maintenance for the McNeal Pavilion. Engineering studies have determined it is safer and more cost effective to raze the current structure.

The Student Recreation Center, which was approved by the Legislature in 2013, will be integrated into the new pavilion design. The existing McNeal Pavilion is approximately 113,000 gross square feet; the proposed renovation and new construction combined building could be as large as 146,000 square feet. The pool is not a feature of the proposed design.

The Board asked about the funding sources for the two projects, a total of \$30M, and what the impact on SOU's balance sheet and debt service will be. To fund the Student Rec Center, the State Board of Higher Education will seek approval to sell \$13.7M in 11F bonds. The students will repay the debt with a special assessment in addition to the student incidental fee.

Budget Director Mark Denney presented the repayment schedule and operating budget for the Student Rec Center. There was a review of how the numbers were calculated for the 30 years of debt and how revenue would be generated through student recreation center fees and other sources (e.g., faculty use and private sources). The Board asked questions about increases in the student fees every 3 years and whether fees were ever waived. The project fund balance was discussed and how it is affected by revenue, debt service and equipment replacement.

ASSOU Director of Finance and Administration, Stephanie Keaveney, provided information on student body referendum and student involvement in designing Center. The Board wanted to ensure the students knew the costs involved when they voted.

President Saigo was asked to comment on the project and discussion.

Following discussion by the members of the Board, Craig Morris made a staff recommendation for the adoption of Resolution 15-01: Resolution Requesting State of Oregon Article XI-F(1) Bonds.

The motion was made by Les AuCoin and seconded by April Sevcik to adopt Resolution 15-01 (Exhibit A). Roll Call Vote: Yea - Trustees AuCoin, Nootenboom, Sayre, Sevcik, Shih, Slattery, Thorndike, Vincent, Washington.; Nay - None; Abstain - Trustee Hennion. Motion carried.

Adjournment

With no further business for this special meeting, the meeting was adjourned at 12:30pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Liz Shelby
Interim Board Secretary