

Minutes
Weber State University
Board of Trustees
November 6, 2012

Trustee Members:

Mr. James Beardall, Vice Chair
Mr. Bryan Bowles
Mr. Alan E. Hall, Chair
Ms. Mary Hall
Dr. Kathryn Lindquist
Mr. Steve Starks
Mr. Kevin Sullivan

Excused:

Mr. Andrew Gardiner
Mr. Scott Parson

Weber State University Officials:

Dr. F. Ann Millner, President
Dr. Norm Tarbox, VP for Administrative Services
Dr. Mike Vaughan, Provost
Dr. Brad Mortensen, VP for University Advancement
Dr. Bret R. Ellis, VP for Information Technology
Mr. John Kowalewski, Director of Media Relations
Dr. Colleen Packer, Faculty Senate Chair
Ms. Helen Fink, CSAC
Ms. JoAnne Robinson, Executive Assistant, President's Office

Others Present:

Dr. John Mbaku, Professor, Economics

Press Present:

Ms. Nancy Van Valkenburg, Standard Examiner

Welcome

- I. Meeting convened at 9:40 a.m.
- II. Chair Alan Hall welcomed those present on election day. President Millner reported that Andrew Gardiner was in Ohio taking part in the election process there.

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- III.

On a motion by Kathryn Lindquist and seconded by Kevin Sullivan, the minutes of the October 2, 2012 main Board of Trustees meeting were approved unanimously.

On a motion by Steve Starks and seconded by Jim Beardall, the minutes of the October 2, 2012 Business Committee and Personnel and Academic Policy Committee were ratified unanimously.

President's Report

- IV. President's Report - President Millner gave a report covering the following items:

(John Mbaku Honored with Topp's Award)

- 1. Weber State University economics professor and Brookings Institution Senior Fellow John Mukum Mbaku has been honored with the 2012 Topp's African-centered Scholars of the Decade Award.

(Goddard School of Business & Economics Named to "Best" List)

- 2. A survey, conducted for the Princeton Review's annual guidebook, named Weber State University's John B. Goddard School of Business & Economics one of the best schools in the 2013 edition of "The Best 296 Business Schools."

(WSU's Radiology Technologist Program Honored)

- 3. Radiology portal AuntMinnie.com named Weber State University as winner of the Best Radiologic Technologist Training Program. The program has a pass rate on national certification exams of 95% or better.

(Big Sky Champions)

4. The Weber State women’s cross country team repeated as Big Sky Champions at the 2012 meet. WSU captured the top three spots in the meet.

(Geoscience Students Serve Elementary Students)

5. Students of the geosciences department at Weber State University rock hounded during the summer, wielding hammers, chisels and picks to collect specimens so local elementary school children can experience hands-on science.

(Veterans Upward Bound Program Receives Grant)

6. Veterans will continue to receive free help to prepare and progress in post-secondary education thanks to a \$1.6 million Department of Education (DOE) grant that finances Veterans Upward Bound at Weber State University for another five years.

(Pulmonologist from Ghana Visits WSU)

7. Audrey Forson, a pulmonologist from Ghana will visit the respiratory therapy program at Weber State University to learn practical applications she can take back to her home country.

(WSU Community Garden)

8. Weber State University botany student, Monica Romney, received funding from a Hemingway Grant, the botany department, the botany club and Housing & Residence Life to build and plant a community garden on campus. Donations were made to Community Action Partnership and the Marshall White Center.

(WSU Enrollment)

9. For the fifth year in a row, Weber State University’s enrollment has set a new milestone, exceeding 26,000 students for the first time. Since fall 2007, WSU has experienced an enrollment increase of 46 percent.

The detailed report is attached to these minutes.

WSUSA President’s Report

V. President Andrew Gardiner provided a report, which was given by Chair Alan Hall, covering the following topics:

(WSU Student Association Recent Success)

- Senate: Currently working on over 20 issues
- Leadership: Project LEAD huge success with most attendance that we’ve ever seen. 3 successful debate watches with news media coverage.
- Diversity: LGBTQ Conference held at WSU and currently working on opening a LGBTQ Center on

- (Upcoming Events)
- campus.
 - Clubs & Organizations: Awarded \$17,000 to a total of more than 35 clubs, \$5,000 more than last year.
 - Voter Registration/pledges to vote, we are currently in the lead amongst all the Utah Universities with 15% of FTE registered.
 - Party at the rock - Inaugurated The Rock to the student body.
 - National day of service - two projects: Antelope Island and exercise trail behind WSU.
 - Halloween Drive-in Movie October 31st - Great success
 - Voter Registration Contest from Lt. Governor Bell's office.
 - SIL Director search
 - Davis Campus - Breakfast with Santa, Angel Tree
 - Service - State-wide food drive contest, hunger banquet
 - WSU Student Shelly Mooney competing in Special Olympics World Games - January 2013.
 - Thanks to President Ann Millner for all you have done and for your leadership.

The detailed report is attached to these minutes.

Alumni President's Report

VI. President Mary Hall gave a report covering the following topics:

(Tailgate Party)

1. The Alumni Association hosted a tailgate for the WSU/Cal Poly first-ever Friday night game. The event was free for members of WSUAA and for members of the Student Alumni Association.

(Leadership for Life)

2. The second Leadership for Life session was held on October 16. Tracy Peterson, a proud member of the first graduating class of Weber State University was the featured speaker.

(Alumni Association Scholarship Luncheon)

3. Forty-one students who were awarded scholarships through the Alumni Association for 2012-2013 were invited to meet the donors at a luncheon held at the Lindquist Alumni Center.

(Alumni Association App)

4. A new "app" has been developed for the Alumni Association. We anticipate the app will be submitted to

	<p>the Apple Store at the end of October, with release date in the middle of November.</p>
(Lecture Series)	<p>5. The Weber Historical Society's Fall 2012 Lecture Series in partnership with WSU Alumni Association began on October 1 with a lecture by Craig Foster and Newell Bringhurst about the media's interaction with three 2012 presidential contenders who have "Mormon connections."</p>
(Strategic Initiatives)	<p>6. Board committees are working on the Association's 2012-13 strategic initiatives, including: 1) increasing funding for scholarships, 2) enhancing the reputation of WSU, and 3) providing improved mentoring programs.</p> <p>The detailed report is attached to these minutes.</p>
Faculty Report	<p>VII Dr. Colleen Packer reported that Faculty Senate is working on curriculum changes, salary and assessment issues. She then introduced Dr. John Mbaku, Professor of Economics.</p> <p>Dr. Mbaku informed the Board that since he graduated from the University of Georgia he has been working on corruption in the government in Africa, he has written 13 books on the development of Africa and mentored a lot of young scholars. In 2000 he got a request from an organization in Kenya to make sure that students who go to school in Africa to study economics were getting the same kind of training as in other places in the world. Instead of giving scholarships for students to study in Europe or America, they wanted students to get an equal education by staying in Africa. Economists from around the world were recruited to go twice a year to Africa and meet with students in their last years of training for a Master's degree. They would look at dissertations and make sure they equal what would be required in other places. Dr. Mbaku visited 26 universities in 2006, making sure they have appropriate instruction for PhD programs. Over the years, approximately 4,000 economists have been trained and most of them now work in universities in Africa.</p> <p>Dr. Mbaku has consulted with governments of Kenya, Uganda and South Sudan and written papers on how to deal with natural resources and promotion of the rule of law. He met with Somalia officials on a plan for transition into a</p>

stable government. Dr. Mbaku thanked Weber State University for giving him the platform to do all these things in Africa.

Chair Alan Hall asked Dr. Mbaku if there was interest in entrepreneurship in Africa. Dr. Mbaku responded that most people in Africa want free trade and enterprise, but institutions are so bad that it's very difficult to run a business. They are trying to promote discussion of the governments changing institutions to make it easier to start and run businesses. Women need to have more access to banking credit. Women aren't allowed to own land so they don't have access to credit because they have no collateral.

Steve Starks asked Dr. Mbaku if he tracked any of the great students from WSU of African heritage. Dr. Mbaku said that he had met some of them in Africa, but he didn't know of any program to track them.

Dr. Kathryn Lindquist asked if micro-loans for women were making much of a difference. Dr. Mbaku said that micro-lending programs in Uganda and parts of eastern Africa have been very successful, especially among women. He added that micro-lending only goes so far and that once you grow your business to a certain point you need to have access to credit. The micro-lending programs in Somalia haven't been very successful because due to the fighting there the people don't have permanent addresses for the most part.

President Millner asked Dr. Mbaku about the Chinese influence in Africa in natural resources. Dr. Mbaku replied that the Chinese are doing a lot of work in Africa. The Chinese have informed their hosts that they're not interested in human rights. Europeans try to monitor investments to make sure it doesn't influence negatively, but the Chinese don't do that. In addition, the Chinese are not interested in building permanent structures in Africa. They build structures just good enough to allow them to exploit the resources and the environment they leave behind isn't conducive to people living there. The Chinese say the country is in charge of taking care of the environment.

Committee Reports
(Business Committee)

- VIII. Business Committee - James Beardall outlined the following matters discussed and acted upon during today's Business Committee meeting: (For a detailed report of actions taken, see the attached Business Committee minutes for November 6, 2012.)

Mr. Beardall reported that the committee has one item for board approval:

1. WSU Auxiliary Enterprises Annual Report for Year Ended 6/30/12

On a motion by James Beardall and seconded by Kevin Sullivan, the WSU Auxiliary Enterprises Annual Report for Year Ended 6/30/12 was approved unanimously.

(Personnel and
Academic Policy
Committee)

- Personnel and Academic Policy Committee - Kathryn Lindquist outlined the following matters discussed and acted upon during today's Personnel and Academic Policy Committee meeting: (For a detailed report of actions taken, see the attached Personnel and Academic Policy Committee minutes for November 6, 2012)

Dr. Lindquist reported that the committee had one item for board approval:

1. PPM 3-66, Service Leave Policy

President Millner reported that this policy allows the university to give employees the opportunity to serve. She added that this idea came from staff.

On a motion by Kathryn Lindquist and seconded by Mary Hall, PPM 3-66, Service Leave Policy was approved unanimously.

Other Business
(Chinese Art Exhibit)

- IX. Chair Alan Hall said the Board had received invitations to events happening on campus. President Millner added that an exhibit of Chinese art would be on display in the Dumke Hall in the Hurst Center on Saturday night, with a reception

in the Alumni Center. There would also be a public lecture on Monday, with discussion about doing business in China.

Questions

X. There were no questions.

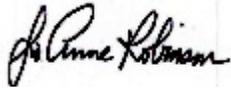
Next Meeting Date

XI. The next meeting of the Board will be Tuesday, December 4, 2012, at the Davis campus.

Adjourn

XII. The meeting was adjourned at 10:25 a.m.

Minutes submitted by:



JoAnne Robinson, Secretary
WSU Board of Trustees



F. Ann Millner, President
Weber State University