

**Minutes**  
**PRESIDENT'S COUNCIL**  
**Approved**  
**January 16, 2013**

**PRESENT:**

President Chuck Wight  
Vice President Norm Tarbox  
Provost Mike Vaughan  
Vice President Brad Mortensen  
Vice President Jan Winniford  
Vice President Bret Ellis  
JoAnne Robinson

**GUEST:**

Rich Hill

Minutes

Consent Calendar

(Early Retirement)

(Department Chair  
Appointment)

(Sabbatical Leave  
Requests)

1. The meeting convened at 8:00 a.m.
2. The minutes from the November 26, 2012, meeting were approved.
3. The following Consent Calendar items were approved:
  - Larry Ray Carver, Facilities Management Custodial, effective January 31, 2013
  - Dr. Thom Kuehls, Political Science & Philosophy, 3-year term, beginning July 1, 2013
  - Linda B. Eaton, Sociology and Anthropology, Fall 2013
  - Bryan Dorsey, Geography, Spring 2014
  - Forrest C. Crawford, Teacher Education, Fall 2013 and Spring 2014
  - Rodney Hansen, Health Promotion and Human Performance, Fall 2013
  - Wade Kotter, Stewart Library, Spring 2014
  - Kathryn Payne, Stewart Library, Fall 2013
  - Steven J. Petersen, Construction Management Technology, Spring 2014
  - Erhard K. Valentin, Business Administration, Spring 2014

Jeffrey Ward, Engineering, Fall 2013 and Spring 2014

Aaron Ashley, Psychology, Spring 2014

Lauren Fowler, Psychology, Spring 2014

Naseem Banerji, Visual Arts, Fall 2013

Mark Biddle, Visual Arts, Spring 2014

Becky Johns, Communication, Fall 2013

Mark LeTourneau, English, Spring 2014

Susan Makov, Visual Arts, Fall 2013

Victoria Ramirez, English, Fall 2013

Erik Stern, Performing Arts, Fall 2013

Mahalingam Sabbiah, English, Spring 2013

Victor Uzur, Performing Arts, Spring 2014

Michael Wutz, English, Fall 2013 and Spring 2014

James Young, English, Fall 2013

GSBE Differential Tuition

4. Provost Vaughan reported that this request from the Goddard School of Business and Economics (GSBE) will be the first differential tuition at the undergraduate level at Weber State University. One factor is that more faculty in the school of business took the retirement incentive than in any other faculty group. They almost always have to add to the salary to hire someone new.

VP Winniford advised that student support is important because this will be an issue for students. Provost Vaughan replied that Dean Steagall has student support from his advisory board. He added that a slide could be included for the truth in tuition hearing.

President Wight said to make sure Dean Steagall has student support.

ACTION

President's Council approved the GSBE proposal to institution differential tuition. The proposal will be presented to the Board of Trustees for their approval at their March meeting.

Voluntary System of Accountability (VSA)

- 5. Provost Vaughan advised President's Council that he had received a letter from VSA saying that we hadn't updated our website. Provost Vaughan then asked if WSU wanted to continue the association with VSA. President Wight asked how much it costs to participate? VP Tarbox reported that it was less than \$10,000. President Wight asked for recommendations. VP Tarbox said he had found no use for the VSA participation. VP Winniford asked if it would appear WSU wasn't being transparent. Provost Vaughan responded that most of the information is covered in the core themes information. President Wight asked Provost Vaughan and VP Ellis to verify that we publish all of the information that would be published through VSA.

The membership will not be renewed.

Update on Health Care Reform and Medical Benefits

- 6. VP Tarbox outlined some of the provisions that will have an impact on the university. Employees that work 3/4 time or more need to be covered by insurance. Enforcement will not begin until July 1, 2014, which gives us some time to work through the issues, such as adjunct faculty who are not currently paid on an hourly basis. IRS regulations will require organizations to compensate by the hour.

Faculty/Staff E-Mail Migration

- 7. VP Ellis reported that the migration from GroupWise to Google e-mail will occur on March 1. Between March 1 and March 10 everything will be ingested into Google.

Rich Hill stated that there are some risks involved in moving to the cloud. Training needs to address these issues. Issues include data sharing with the government, data mining and access.

Charter School Incorporation

- 8. Rich Hill, University Counsel, reminded President's Council that the Board of Trustees approved the WSU Charter Academy in September 2012. The Attorney General's office has said that because it's not organized under a school district, the charter school needs to incorporate. He recommended that the university move forward with the incorporation. Mr. Hill didn't think this required approval from the Board of Trustees, but suggested it be presented to them as an information item.

ACTION

President's Council approved moving forward with the incorporation of the Weber State University Charter School.

One-Time Request - West Corridor Study

- 9. VP Tarbox requested approval of the use of one-time funds to participate in a partnership between Clearfield City, UTA and Weber State University to conduct a feasibility

		<p>study of a circular route from the Front Runner station in Clearfield to the Davis station, Freeport Center, Falcon Hill at Hill Air Force Base and the WSU Davis campus. Cost to WSU to participate in this feasibility study would be \$5,000.</p>						
ACTION		<p>President's Council approved the use of one-time funds to participate in the west corridor feasibility study.</p>						
Capital Unallotted Distribution	10.	<p>VP Tarbox recommended that the allocation of the unallotted funds be done now instead of waiting until after the legislative session.</p>						
ACTION		<p>President's Council approved the recommended allocation of unallotted funds.</p>						
Staff Categories Nomenclature Change	11.	<p>VP Tarbox reported that Human Resources is looking at the feasibility of changing the nomenclature of staff from professional and classified to exempt and non exempt. He added that it would take approximately six months for this change to be completed.</p> <p>President Wight recommended that this would be a good time to look at combining the Professional Staff Advisory Committee and the Classified Staff Advisory Committee into one Staff Advisory Committee.</p>						
ACTION		<p>President's Council approved the nomenclature change from professional and classified staff to exempt and non exempt staff.</p>						
Energy Efficiency Efforts	12.	<p>VP Tarbox advised President's Council that Rocky Mountain Power will be highlighting Weber State University in advertising as part of their energy efficiency campaign. We reduced power consumption last year by 22%.</p>						
Next Meetings	13.	<p>The next meetings of President's Council will be as follows:</p> <table border="0"><tr><td>Feb 13</td><td>8:00 am - 10:00 am</td><td>Board Room</td></tr><tr><td>Feb 27</td><td>8:00 am - 10:00 am</td><td>Board Room</td></tr></table>	Feb 13	8:00 am - 10:00 am	Board Room	Feb 27	8:00 am - 10:00 am	Board Room
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