

MINUTES
Board of Regents
January 29, 2016

The Board of Regents of Washington State University (WSU or University) met pursuant to call in Open Meeting at 8:00 a.m. on Friday, January 29, 2016, at WSU Vancouver, Firstenburg Student Commons Bldg., Rooms 101-103, Vancouver, Washington.

Present: Regent T. Ryan Durkan, Chair; Regents Don Barbieri, Scott Carson (via teleconference), Lura Powell, Ron Sims, Jansen VanderMeulen, and Mike Worthy; Interim President Daniel J. Bernardo.

I. OPENING

A. Report from the Chair of the Board of Regents. Chair Durkan called the meeting to order and welcomed everyone in the audience. Chair Durkan began her report by commenting on Fall Commencement, noting the great attendance, and commended keynote speaker, former WSU student Max Baer “Butch T. Cougar” on his address to the audience. Chair Durkan reported on the WSU Sun Bowl and said it was great to be a part of the event. She said the Regents enjoyed a wonderful reception in El Paso and thanked everyone who participated.

Chair Durkan concluded her report by reminding the audience there would be a public comment period after the regular agenda items. She then turned the meeting over to WSU Vancouver Chancellor Mel Netzhammer for his report.

B. Report from the Chancellor – WSU Vancouver. Chancellor Mel Netzhammer thanked the Board for visiting the Vancouver campus and began his report by presenting the new WSU Vancouver Vision Statement. He commented that while it connects with WSU, it also carves out a unique place for the Vancouver campus. Chancellor Netzhammer also reported on the WSU Vancouver Revised Mission Statement, noting that while it aligns with WSU Pullman’s Mission Statement, it also includes statements on diversity and collaboration.

Chancellor Netzhammer reported on WSU Vancouver’s strategic planning efforts. He said while goals for the campus are growth, which is tuition driven, the planning focus was primarily about student success. He reported the strategic planning theme includes 4 pillars: 1) Growth–increase student population and expand campus capacity; 2) Quality and Distinctiveness–commit to excellence and quality in teaching, research, public service and engagement; 3) Impactful Partnerships–develop meaningful partnerships that increase our local and global impact and relevance; and 4) Equity and Opportunity–lead the achievement of equitable outcomes, eliminate disparities to foster a climate that values diversity and inclusion. Chancellor Netzhammer reported the strategic plan goals have been identified as: 1) advance excellence in research and creative activity consistent

with WSU's strategic missions and grand challenges; 2) champion student learning and success; 3) expand and enhance efforts to enroll, educate, and graduate a diverse student body; 4) promote an ethical and socially just society through an intentional commitment to inclusion, equity, and diversity; and 5) establish and maintain mutually beneficial research, community outreach, and civic engagement partnerships. He said WSU Vancouver's commitment is not just to growth but to access and student success. He said how we manage our enrollment has become increasingly critical.

Chancellor Netzhammer said WSU Vancouver is being more intentional about goal setting with regard to enrollment. He said based on the campus's work with SEM Works over the past year, they have identified a target enrollment of 3,430 students for fall 2016.

Chancellor Netzhammer reported on WSU Vancouver's continued investment in research, noting progress on 11 of the 13 faculty and Research Advisory Council recommendations, and noted tenure-track faculty have increased from 102 to 114. He said progress in the Vancouver community depends on the innovations and discoveries of basic, applied and community-engaged research.

Chancellor Netzhammer reported on recent faculty achievements, including two U.S. patents on the topic of haptic interfaces out of the School of Engineering and Computer Science, a National Science Foundation grant of \$260,000 to host an undergraduate six-week summer research program on field biology and water quality, and a National Institute of Health grant of \$375,000 to increase diversity among science researchers to greater than the current 2% and supports two Latina researchers in Neuroscience.

Chancellor Netzhammer updated the Board on WSU Vancouver's community partnerships results, including information on the Growth Mentor Analysis Program and Business Growth Alliance Monthly speaker series, the WSU Vancouver NW Noggin Neuroscience outreach in Vancouver and Portland and the Vancouver iTech Prep High School on campus.

Chancellor Netzhammer concluded his report and turned the meeting over to Interim President Bernardo.

C. Report from the President of the University. Interim President Bernardo thanked Chancellor Netzhammer for his report and commended him on his work at the WSU Vancouver campus. Interim President Bernardo began his report by highlighting several notable rankings WSU has recently received. He reported *The Princeton Review* named WSU one of 380 Best Colleges and named WSU students the 14th happiest in the nation. He said WSU was the only school from the Pac-12 and one of only six public schools ranked in the top 20. He reported WSU's work promoting academic success of underrepresented minority students was highlighted in a national report by The Education Trust, an influential Washington, D.C., based non-profit focused on reducing achievement gaps. Interim President Bernardo said the report noted the number of

students of color at WSU has tripled over the past ten years, WSU's graduation rates are up across the board, and the large improvement in graduation rates among WSU's underrepresented minority students has cut in half the gap in graduation rates between these students and their white peers. He said the report also noted many of the 1,307 public and private non-profit colleges and universities it studied during this same period reported flat or declining minority graduation rates.

Interim President Bernardo reported on a large fall commencement participation. He said enrollment is up relative to last year at this time and 2016 recruitment is very strong. Interim President Bernardo reported WSU has received over 17,000 freshman applications, over 16,000 of which are for Pullman, which is an increase of almost 3,000 over last year. He said resident applications are up approximately 11% and non-resident applications are up 39%. Interim President Bernardo also reported the qualifications and preparedness of applicants is noticeably higher than last year.

Interim President Bernardo reported on recent administrative appointments and recognized newly named Vice President for Information Technology Services and CIO Sasi K. Pillay. Interim President Bernardo also reported on the newly hired Dean for the College of Nursing, Joyce P. Griffin-Sobel from the State University of New York Upstate Medical University in Syracuse. Interim President Bernardo reported that the Founding Dean of the Edward R. Murrow College of Communication, Lawrence Pintak, would be stepping down in May and Associate Dean Bruce Pinkleton will serve as Interim Dean.

Interim President Bernardo reported WSU continues to make progress with major administrative initiatives. He reported the reallocation activity is continuing on all campuses. He said WSU is seeking to reallocate funding toward strategic priorities. Interim President Bernardo reported the University leadership on the Pullman campus is asking departments to make 5% reductions in their operating budgets, which will create a funding pool of approximately \$13 million. He said the pool will be reallocated to back-fill the 4% salary program implemented last year, as well as student success initiatives and Grand Challenges research. Interim President Bernardo reported the reallocations to the student success initiative and the Grand Challenges research will be managed through an RFP and award process. He commended Interim Co-Provost Erica Austin for her oversight and management of the RFP process and said reallocation decisions should be finalized by July 1.

Interim President Bernardo reported WSU continues to move forward with the Strategic Plan Implementation and will provide a progress report to the Board at its March meeting.

Interim President Bernardo reported on several capital development projects. He reported WSU broke ground on the new WSU Pullman Digital Classroom Building and has begun construction on the student funded Chinook Building (the old Bookie building).

Interim President Bernardo concluded his report congratulating WSU on its win against Miami at the December 26, 2015, Sun Bowl in El Paso, Texas. He reported the Cougars beat Miami 20-14, finishing the year with an incredible nine wins. He said WSU sold nearly 3,000 more tickets to the game than Miami and the Mayor of El Paso commented on how wonderful it was to host WSU at the Sun Bowl because of the energy and visibility of our fans. Interim President Bernardo turned the meeting over to Chair Durkan.

II. MINUTES. It was moved and seconded that the Board of Regents approve the minutes of its November 27, 2015, Special Joint Meeting and December 11, 2015, meeting. Carried.

Chair Durkan stated at this time she would use her discretion as Chair to modify/adjust the agenda and would now consider Action Items before the board. Regent Sims stated for the record, all Action Items before the Board had been thoroughly discussed and reviewed the prior day during Board of Regents' individual committee meetings.

The Board of Regents took the following action:

Board of Regents Meeting Schedule for the Second Half of 2016

It was moved and seconded that the Board of Regents approve the Board of Regents Meeting Schedule for the Second Half of 2016 as proposed. Carried. (Exhibit A)

WSU Pullman, Plant Sciences Building (REC5) – Design and Preconstruction

It was moved and seconded that the Board of Regents approve the WSU Pullman, Plant Sciences Building (REC 5) – Design and Preconstruction as proposed. Carried. (Exhibit B)

FY2017 Housing and Dining Rates

It was moved and seconded that the Board of Regents approve the FY2017 Housing and Dining Rates as proposed. Carried. (Exhibit C)

Changes to the Faculty Manual – Appointment of Chairs and Directors

It was moved and seconded that the Board of Regents approve the Changes to the *Faculty Manual* – Appointment of Chairs and Directors as proposed. Carried. (Exhibit D)

Establish the Metropolitan Center for Applied Research and Extension in the College of Agricultural, Human, and Natural Resource Sciences

It was moved and seconded that the Board of Regents establish the Metropolitan Center for Applied Research and Extension in the College of Agricultural, Human and Natural Resource Sciences as proposed. Carried. (*Exhibit E*)

Degree Name Change from Master of Nursing in "Advanced Population Health" to "Population Health"

It was moved and seconded that the Board of Regents approve the degree name change from Master of Nursing in "Advanced Population Health" to "Population Health" as proposed. Carried. (*Exhibit F*)

Degree Name Change from Material Science and Engineering Program in "Nuclear Engineering" to "Nuclear Materials"

It was moved and seconded that the Board of Regents approve the degree name change from Material Science and Engineering Program in "Nuclear Engineering" to "Nuclear Materials" as proposed. Carried. (*Exhibit G*)

III. REPORTS FROM UNIVERSITY GROUPS. Representatives from each of the University groups—Foundation Board of Governors, Faculty Senate, Administrative and Professional Advisory Council, Associated Students of WSU, and Graduate and Professional Student Association—reviewed their reports as submitted. (*Exhibit H*). The Alumni Association did not report.

IV. EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE REPORT. Chair Durkan reported the Executive Committee reviewed one Action Item: the Board of Regents Meeting Schedule for the Second Half of 2016. She also reported Regent Worthy, Chair of the Presidential Search Advisory Committee, provided the Committee an update on the Presidential Search. She said the search consultants from Isaacson, Miller and the Presidential Advisory Search Committee had contacted more than 200 candidates and as a result of those efforts, a diverse, qualified pool of candidates interested in the position has been identified. Chair Durkan reported candidates with diverse administrative experience have been identified and the pool includes university presidents, provosts, vice presidents for research, other higher education leaders, and some private sector prospects with skills applicable to the duties of WSU's presidency. She said the candidates represent land grant and AAU universities, university systems in other states, and some notable private universities. Chair Durkan reported the Presidential Search Advisory Committee met January 21 to continue evaluating the credentials of prospects and to begin to narrow the pool, and said a multi-phase interview process will follow. Chair Durkan commended Regent Worthy for a masterful job in leading the committee and process.

Chair Durkan concluded the Executive Committee report.

V. FINANCE AND AUDIT COMMITTEE REPORT. Regent Powell reported the Finance and Audit Committee conducted an extended meeting discussing a number of items. She reported Debbie Pennick with the State of Washington Auditor's Office and Heather Lopez, Director of Internal Audit at WSU, provided the WSU Financial Statement Audit Exit. Regent Powell said she was pleased to report that WSU received an unqualified clean audit report and for the 14th straight year had no findings.

Regent Powell reported Interim Vice President for Finance and Administration Olivia Yang and Associate Vice President for Finance and Administration Matt Skinner reviewed WSU's Financial Statement for Fiscal Year ending June 30, 2015, with the Committee providing key highlights and current trends.

Regent Powell reported Interim Vice President Yang and Associate Vice President Skinner also provided the WSU Annual Debt Report. She said notable in the report was that bond refunding during Fiscal Year 2015 had generated savings to WSU of approximately \$560,000 per year. She said pro formas on refunding opportunities for Fiscal Year 2016 could potentially reduce WSU's current outstanding debt by 40% over the next ten years. Regent Powell said the committee heard information on WSU's bond rating and rating methodology changes for 2016, which could impact WSU's rating, and WSU Financial Advisor Susan Musselman provided an overview of interest rates and market trends, which overall still appear favorable.

Regent Powell reported the Committee heard a presentation on a Human Resources, Payroll and Finance systems modernization initiative provided by Interim Vice President Olivia Yang and Associate Vice President Skinner. She said it has been over 35 years since these systems have been updated and with the significant growth at WSU there is a clear need to upgrade and modernize. She said the Committee as well as the full Board was supportive of the initiative moving forward.

Regent Powell reported the Committee heard three presentations on Future Action Items: 1) WSU Pullman, Multicultural Center – Schematic Design, 2) WSU Tri-Cities, Student Union – Schematic Design, and 3) WSU Pullman, Art Museum – Design and Construction.

Lastly, Regent Powell reported the Committee heard one Future Action Item: WSU Pullman, Plant Sciences Building (REC5) – Design and Preconstruction approved earlier in today's meeting.

Regent Powell concluded the Finance and Audit Committee report.

VI. ACADEMIC AND STUDENT AFFAIRS COMMITTEE REPORT. Regent VanderMeulen (standing in as Chair of the Academic and Student Affairs Committee for Regent Carson) reported the Academic and Student Affairs committee heard one Future

Action Item on amendments to WAC 504-26 – Standards of Conduct for Students, presented by Interim Vice President for Student Affairs Melynda Huskey and Director of Student Conduct Adam Jussel. He said proposed amendments included allowing for student representation on the Academic Integrity Hearing Board, jurisdiction clarifications, and other minor revisions.

Regent VanderMeulen reported the Committee heard presentations on and discussed five Action Items: 1) Fiscal Year 2017 Housing and Dining Rates; 2) Changes to the *Faculty Manual* – Appointment of Chairs and Directors; 3) Establish the Metropolitan Center for Applied Research and Extension in the College of Agricultural, Human, and Natural Resource Sciences; 4) Degree Name Change from Master of Nursing in “Advanced Population Health” to Population Health”; and 5) Degree Name Change from Material Science and Engineering Program in “Nuclear Engineering” to “Nuclear Materials.”

Regent VanderMeulen concluded the Academic and Student Affairs Committee report.

VII. EXTERNAL AFFAIRS COMMITTEE REPORT. Chair Durkan, reporting for Regent Barbieri who had to leave the meeting early, reported Vice President for External Affairs and Government Relations and Chief Legislative Officer Colleen Kerr presented to the Committee a state and federal legislative update. Chair Durkan noted this year’s Regents and Trustees Day in Olympia was very successful and thanked Regents Powell and Carson for their participation.

Chair Durkan concluded the External Affairs Committee Report.

VIII. OTHER BUSINESS. Chair Durkan reported that the Regents met in Executive Session yesterday with legal counsel to discuss ongoing or potential litigation involving WSU. She said no action is necessary at this time.

IX. PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD. Pam and Tom Webster addressed the Board regarding concerns related to the new WSU Vancouver parking lot addition.

X. ADJOURNMENT. The meeting adjourned at 9:53 a.m.

Approved by the Board of Regents at its meeting held March 25, 2016, on the WSU Tri-Cities Campus.

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ACTION ITEM #1

2016 Board of Regents Meeting Schedule (Daniel J. Bernardo)

TO ALL MEMBERS OF THE BOARD OF REGENTS

SUBJECT: Establishment of Board of Regents Meeting Schedule for the Second Half (July through December) of 2016

SUBMITTED BY: Daniel J. Bernardo, Interim President

PROPOSED: That the Board of Regents approve the September through December 2016 Board of Regents Meeting Schedule and confirm by resolution all regular meeting dates in 2016; and further delegate authority to the President of the University or his designee to make changes as needed, select and designate appropriate meeting locations, establish meeting times, establish the agenda and prepare agenda items, dispatch all official notices to meet the state Open Public Meetings Act or other notice requirements, publish minutes and maintain records of meetings, and take other necessary action as required for the orderly conduct of Board Meetings.

SUPPORTING INFORMATION: At its October 30, 2015, meeting, the Board of Regents approved the first half (January through June) of the 2016 meeting schedule. The Action Item for that matter indicated the second half of the 2016 meeting schedule would be proposed at a later date.

Proposed dates for the second half (July through December) of 2016 are:

<u>Dates</u>	<u>Location</u>
September 15-16, 2016	Pullman
November 3-4, 2016	Pullman
December 8-9, 2016	Spokane

BOARD OF REGENTS

2016 Board of Regents Meeting Dates

Resolution #160129-519

BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Regents of Washington State University hereby adopts the following schedule of meeting dates for **2016**:

<u>Dates</u>	<u>Location</u>
January 28-29, 2016	Vancouver
March 24-25, 2016	Tri-Cities
May 5-6, 2016	Pullman
June 2-3, 2016 (retreat)	Woodinville
September 15-16, 2016	Pullman
November 3-4, 2016	Pullman
December 8-9, 2016	Spokane

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that pursuant to RCW 28B.10.528, authority is hereby delegated to the President of the University or his designee to select and designate appropriate meeting places, establish meeting times, establish the agenda and prepare agenda items, dispatch all official notices to meet the state Open Public Meetings Act or other notice requirements, publish minutes and maintain records of meetings, and take other necessary action as required for the orderly conduct of Board meetings.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that when a regular meeting is rescheduled, notice thereof will be given in conformance with the notice requirements specified by the Open Public Meetings Act for special meetings, with the understanding that special meetings may be called by the President of the Board or as otherwise provided by law.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Board of Regents may convene Executive Sessions whenever it is deemed necessary in the interest of the University for the purpose of discussing matters or items for which Executive Sessions are authorized in RCW 42.30 as it now exists or may be amended hereafter.

DATED this 29th day of January, 2016.

Chair of the Board of Regents

Secretary of the Board of Regents

ACTION ITEM #1

**WSU Pullman, Plant Sciences Building
Research Education Complex Bldg. 5 (REC5)
Design and Pre-Construction
(Olivia Yang)**

TO ALL MEMBERS OF THE BOARD OF REGENTS

SUBJECT: WSU Pullman, Plant Sciences Building - Research Education Complex Bldg. 5 (REC5), Design and Pre- Construction

PROPOSED: That the WSU Board of Regents authorize the Plant Sciences Building - Research Education Complex Bldg. 5 (REC5), to proceed to design and pre-construction, using the Design-Build (DB) process pursuant to RCW 39.10 and further delegate authority to the President or his designee to select a Design-Build contractor and enter into any and all contracts necessary to commence the design and pre-construction for the project, with costs not to exceed the budgeted amount of \$6,600,000.

SUBMITTED BY: Olivia Yang, Interim Vice President for Finance and Administration

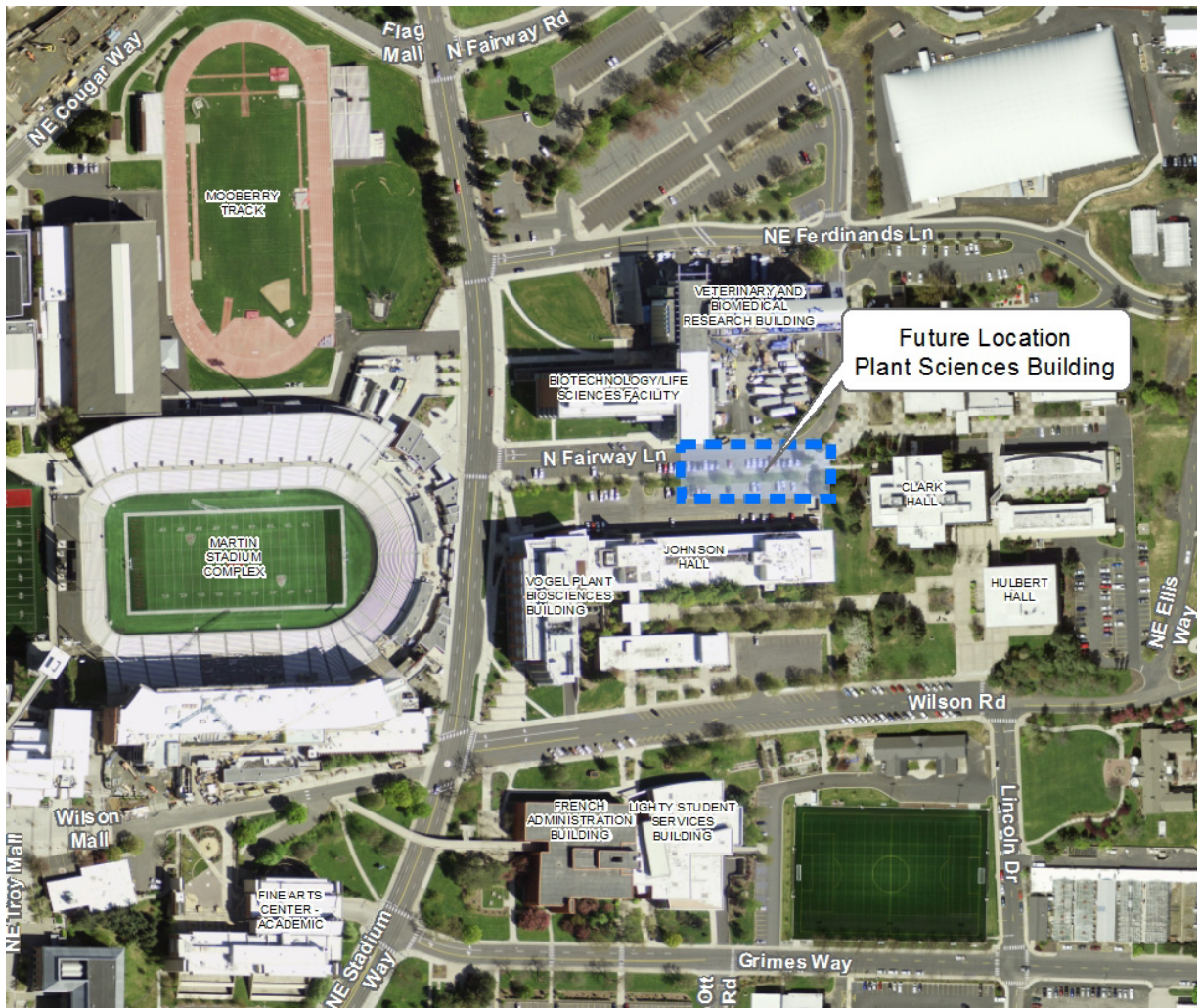
SUPPORTING INFORMATION: The Plant Sciences Building (REC5) advances the development of the Research and Education Complex east of Stadium Way, which houses research laboratories engaged in the advancement of science and technology in the areas of plant biochemistry, plant pathology, horticulture and crops and soils sciences.

As the next building in the Research and Educational Complex, this new building would become an integral part of the series of interconnected facilities that encourage interdisciplinary collaboration among the institution's leading scientists, representing the College of Agriculture, Human and Natural Resource Science, the College of Veterinary Medicine, and the College of Arts and Sciences. This new facility would allow more programs from these departments to be relocated from antiquated structures around campus. A new, modern facility is needed to enhance WSU's capacity to support and attract new scientists and students, and retain members of the highly productive faculty active in these units.

The proposed location of this new building is consistent with the WSU-Pullman Master Plan and would contribute to the development of the Graduate and Research area of the Master Plan east of Stadium Way.

The University has received \$500,000 for pre-design in 2013-15 and \$6,600,000 for the design and pre-construction in the 2015-17 state capital budgets. The University plans to request the construction funding in the 2017-19 State capital request.

Aerial Site Map



BOARD OF REGENTS

WSU Pullman, Plant Sciences Building
Research Education Complex Bldg. 5 (REC5)
Design and Pre-Construction

Resolution #160129-520

WHEREAS, the Board of Regents of Washington State University by virtue of RCW 28B.10.528 has authority to delegate by resolution to the President of the University, or designee, powers and duties vested in or imposed upon the Board by law and to enable the President, or designee to act on behalf of the Board of Regents in matters relating to the administration and governance of the University.

RESOLVED: That the WSU Board of Regents authorize the Plant Sciences Building-Research Education Complex Bldg. 5 (REC5), to proceed to design and pre-construction, using the Design-Build (DB) process pursuant to RCW 39.10 and further delegate authority to the President or his designee to select a Design-Build contractor and enter into any and all contracts necessary to commence the design and pre-construction for the project, with costs not to exceed the budgeted amount of \$6,600,000.

Dated this 29th day of January, 2016.

Chair, Board of Regents

Secretary, Board of Regents

ACTION ITEM #1

FY2017 Housing and Dining Rates **(Melynda Huskey/Terry Boston)**

TO ALL MEMBERS OF THE BOARD OF REGENTS

SUBJECT: FY2017 Housing and Dining Rates

PROPOSED: That the Board of Regents approve an increase in the Housing and Dining Rates not to exceed the following percentage from the FY2016 Rates.

Residence Halls:

3.1% (\$323) of the total weighted average for room and board (weighted average of a double room and level 2 dining plan).

Apartment:

3% of the total weighted average for apartment rates.

SUBMITTED BY: Melynda Huskey, Interim Vice President for Student Affairs

SUPPORTING INFORMATION: The Housing and Dining System is a self-sustaining auxiliary unit which requires establishing room and board rates that are sufficient to meet bond covenants and support the University's strategic goals.

The Housing and Dining Advisory Board is comprised of student representatives from the Resident Hall Association (RHA), Associated Students of Washington State University (ASWSU), Graduate and Professional Students Association (GPSA), as well as representatives from the Budget Office, Finance & Administration, and Student Affairs.

The Housing and Dining Advisory Board met throughout the fall semester to review current operations and discuss operational changes anticipated for next year. The Advisory Board toured various facilities within the system and was provided notebooks containing detailed information with regard to budget, organizational charts, and system goals as they relate to the long range housing plan. Based upon student input, economic projections and system demands, the rate recommendations were developed. The recommended increases received unanimous support from

the Advisory Board. Pending Regent's approval, the new rates will begin with the start of fall semester 2016.

The Advisory Board is comprised of seven student representatives* and seven administrators as outlined below.

Representative:

Tiffany Browning*
Tim Ross-Elliot *
Joseph Lloyd*
Alexandra Rivas*
Jared Sharp*
Crystal Swanson*
Liz Thomas*
Cindy Arbour
Terry Boston
Gary Coyle
Edwin Hamada
Mollie Holt
Bob Tattershall
Kelly Westoff

Area:

Assistant Hall Director
GPSA Representative
Resident Advisor
RHA Representative
Resident Technology Advisor
ASWSU Senator
Apartment Coordinator
Facilities Services
Administrative Services
Dining Services
Residence Life
Finance, Administrative Services
Housing & Conference Services
Budget Office

Washington State University Housing and Dining

Residence Halls, Dining and Apartments Rate Proposal

2016-2017 Academic Year

Occupancy trends, Fall Census Day (10th day after classes start)

	Residence Halls	Single Student Apartments	Family Apartments
2011	5,163	767 97% occupancy	881 89% occupancy
2012	5,251	869* 97%	850* 95%
2013	5,146	862** 96%	821 92%
2014	5,190	837** 96%	857 95%
2015	5,400	831** 98%	875 97%
2016 (proj.)	5,284	831** 98%	875 97%

*Columbia changed in Fall 2012 from family to SSA.

**Chief Joseph units vary due to construction and refurbishment.

Revenue Assumptions

4,000 targeted freshmen class

Expense Assumptions

- 1.8% cost of living increase for employees per legislature approval
- .8% increase for hourly personnel due to minimum wage increase
- 2.0% increase in food costs
- 2.1% net increase in employee benefits. The increase in medical costs from 14/15 to 15/16 was forecasted lower than what was ultimately assessed by the legislature. The impact accounts for 1.5% of the residence hall increase and 1% of apartments requested rate increase for 16/17.
- -4.3% decrease in utility costs
- 3.1% increase in perquisites
- 2.0% increase inflation on supplies and services

Target \$2.0 million for major repairs and equipment

Recommended Increases:

Apartments

Single Student Apartments increase 3.0%

Family Housing increase 3.0%

Residence Halls Room and Board

	<u>2015-2016</u>	<u>2016-2017</u>	<u>Increase</u>	<u>%Increase</u>
Residence hall double room	\$ 6,353	\$ 6,606	253	4.0%
Dining Plan, Level 2	4,078	4,148	70	1.7%
Total*	\$10,431	\$10,754	\$323	3.1%

*Total is the sum of weighted average double room and level 2 dining plan. FY 2015-16 adjusted to include Global Scholars Hall.

ACTION ITEM #2

Revisions to the Faculty Manual (Erica Weintraub Austin)

TO ALL MEMBERS OF THE BOARD OF REGENTS

SUBJECT: Revisions to the Faculty Manual

PROPOSED: That the Board of Regents approve the attached changes to the Faculty Manual – Appointment of Chairs and Directors

SUBMITTED BY: Erica Weintraub Austin, Interim Co-Provost

SUPPORTING
INFORMATION: The Provost reviewed the complicated process for appointing chairs and directors in the Faculty Manual and recommended to the Faculty Affairs Committee a revision. After reviewing the document, the Faculty Affairs Committee felt two important aspects of the appointment process were missing. After further consultation with the Provost, it was agreed that these two points could be added to the proposed revision. On April 7, 2015, the Faculty Affairs Committee approved the recommendation that the current appointment of chairs and directors be replaced with an amended process and submit the proposed revision for review by the Faculty Senate. This recommendation was passed by the Faculty Senate on October 8, 2015.

ACTION ITEM #3

Revisions to the Faculty Manual (Erica Weintraub Austin)

TO ALL MEMBERS OF THE BOARD OF REGENTS

SUBJECT: Establishment of Research Center

PROPOSED: That the Board of Regents approve the establishment of the Metropolitan Center for Applied Research and Extension in the College of Agricultural, Human, and Natural Resource Sciences.

SUBMITTED BY: Erica Weintraub Austin, Interim Co-Provost

SUPPORTING INFORMATION: The College of Agricultural, Human, and Natural Resource Sciences proposed to establish a WSU Extension research and outreach center that will be housed at WSU North Puget Sound at Everett. Details concerning the evolution of this concept are presented in the rationale statement of the proposal. This recommendation was passed by the Faculty Senate on October 22, 2015.

ACTION ITEM #4

Revisions to the Faculty Manual (Erica Weintraub Austin)

TO ALL MEMBERS OF THE BOARD OF REGENTS

SUBJECT: Degree Name Change

PROPOSED: That the Board of Regents approve a degree name change from Master of Nursing in "Advanced Population Health" to "Population Health"

SUBMITTED BY: Erica Weintraub Austin, Interim Co-Provost

SUPPORTING
INFORMATION: On Tuesday October 13th, 2015 the Graduate Studies Committee approved the WSU College of Nursing, Master of Nursing: Change name plan from Advanced Population Health to Population Health; Revise plan requirements in Master of Nursing Population Health. This recommendation was passed by the Faculty Senate on November 5, 2015.

ACTION ITEM #5

Revisions to the Faculty Manual (Erica Weintraub Austin)

TO ALL MEMBERS OF THE BOARD OF REGENTS

SUBJECT: Degree Name Change

PROPOSED: That the Board of Regents approve a degree name change from Material Science and Engineering Program in “Nuclear Engineering” to “Nuclear Materials”

SUBMITTED BY: Erica Weintraub Austin, Interim Co-Provost

SUPPORTING INFORMATION: On Tuesday October 13th, 2015 the Graduate Studies Committee approved Major/ Name Change from Material Science and Engineering Program in “Nuclear Engineering” to “Nuclear Materials. This recommendation was passed by the Faculty Senate on November 5, 2015.

EXHIBIT H
Board of Regents Minutes
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TO ALL MEMBERS OF THE BOARD OF REGENTS

SUBJECT: WSU Foundation Regents Report

SUBMITTED BY: Judy Rogers, President, WSU Foundation
Chair, Board of Governors, WSU Foundation

The Washington State University Foundation is pleased to report the following:

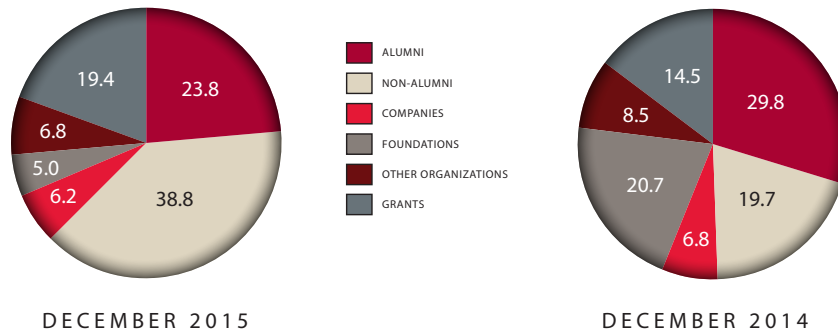
- Approximately \$11.8 million in total private commitments were received during December 2015. During Fiscal Year 2016 (July 1, 2015-June 30, 2016), the WSU Foundation has recorded \$61.9 million in total private support as of December 31, 2015.
- Since July 1, 2015, 27,417 generous donors have made 46,272 gifts, grants, pledges, revocable or other commitment to advance WSU's academic, research, and service mission. The WSU Foundation's Fiscal Year 2016 Progress Report is attached.
- The WSU Foundation's endowment market value as of November 30, 2015 was \$423.9 million. The investment return for FY2016 to date was *-1.80%*, and the three-year investment return to date was *7.10%*. More than \$22.8 million in gifts and other additions have been made to the endowment this fiscal year. Additional endowment performance information can be found at: <https://foundation.wsu.edu/endowment-performance/>.
- More than \$3.3 million has been committed to support the new Elson S. Floyd College of Medicine at Washington State University this fiscal year. Of this, more than \$1.9 million has been contributed to the Dr. Elson S. Floyd Medical Education Founder's Fund, which was established in accordance with the Floyd family's wishes to support the accreditation, implementation, and operation of the new College of Medicine.
- The next meeting of the Board of Governors is March 4, 2016 in Everett, WA. The next meeting of the Board of Trustees will be May 19-20, 2016, in Spokane, WA.

WASHINGTON STATE UNIVERSITY FOUNDATION
YEAR-TO-DATE PROGRESS REPORT
 July 1, 2015 - December 31, 2015

FY2016-to-date	12/31/2015	12/31/2014
Gift Totals	\$39,391,874	\$52,910,418
Private Grants	\$12,024,732	\$15,114,136
Sub Total, Gifts & Grants	\$51,416,606	\$68,024,554
Pledge Balance	\$3,193,444	\$9,743,036
Sub Total Gifts, Grants & Pledges	\$54,610,050	\$77,767,590
Revocable Gifts	\$7,297,405	\$26,536,051
Annual Fundraising Totals	\$61,907,455	\$104,303,641
Other Contributions	\$23,495	\$5,083
Annual Total	\$61,930,950	\$104,308,723

Note: These figures are unaudited

FISCAL YEAR CONTRIBUTIONS BY SOURCE
 (AS A PERCENTAGE)



Month Ended December 31	12/31/2015	12/31/2014
Gift Totals	\$8,915,945	\$27,854,087
Private Grants	\$2,173,118	\$3,603,772
Sub Total, Gifts & Grants	\$11,089,063	\$31,457,859
Pledge Balance	\$312,473	\$4,568,651
Sub Total Gifts, Grants & Pledges	\$11,401,536	\$36,026,510
Revocable Gifts	\$350,000	\$19,155,896
Other Contributions	\$23,495	\$2,083
Monthly Total	\$11,775,031	\$55,184,489

Endowment Summary	Five Months Ended 11/30/2015	Five Months Ended 11/30/2014
Endowment, Beginning	\$412,826,312	\$404,995,479
Gifts and Other Additions	\$22,888,860	\$9,137,076
Investment Gains (Losses)	-\$6,210,713	\$759,557
Distributions to WSU Programs and Advancement Fee	\$5,615,000	-\$5,354,988
Endowment, Ending	\$423,889,459	\$409,537,124
Investment Return, FY2016-to-date	-1.80%	0.20%
Three-year return through Nov. 30, 2015 and Nov. 30, 2014	7.10%	9.60%

KEY STATISTICS	12/31/2015	12/31/2014
Alumni of Record Available for solicitation	172,679	168,332
Alumni Participation Rate	6.8%	6.8%
Total Number of FY2016 Donors	27,417	27,694
Total FY Gifts, Grants, Pledges, Revocable Commitments	46,272	45,005

January 29, 2016

TO ALL MEMBERS OF THE BOARD OF REGENTS

SUBJECT: Faculty Senate Report

SUBMITTED BY: Faculty Senate Executive Committee, Richard Zack, Chair

1. The Faculty Senate held a “special” meeting of the Senate on 10 December 2015 to discuss the discontinuation of the graduate program in Counseling Psychology. Three faculty from the program spoke before the Senate. In compliance with the faculty manual, The Faculty Senate Executive Committee, Steering Committee, and Faculty Affairs Committee met after 10 December to discuss the discontinuation and to prepare responses to the Provosts. Separate responses from the Executive/Steering Committee and Faculty Affairs Committee were sent to the Provosts with identified concerns.
2. The Faculty Senate Executive Committee and the Provosts worked together to develop a safety statement addressing active shooter scenarios to be included in course syllabi.
3. The Faculty Senate Chair visited the Spokane Campus.
4. Two members of the Faculty Senate Executive Committee are serving as members of the Academic Integrity Implementation Work Group. We are currently formulating a statement on Academic Integrity that will be included in course syllabi.
5. The Faculty Senate Executive Committee has held several meetings formulating an aggressive agenda for the spring semester



ASWSUV

THE ASSOCIATED STUDENTS

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TO ALL MEMBERS OF THE BOARD OF REGENTS

SUBJECT: ASWSUV Regents Report

SUBMITTED BY: Shain Wright, ASWSUV President
Julie Mercado, ASWSUV Vice President

ASWSUV's goals and project this year largely revolve around the executive ticket platform; Diversity, Equity, and Accessibility. Though many stemmed out of our platform, other accomplishments of ASWSUV reflect a broader goal of supporting our students. While many specific goals and successes are detailed below, there have also been a myriad of small goals and shifts we have made to create a more diverse, equitable, and accessible ASWSUV and WSU Vancouver.

Diversity

ASWSUV worked diligently this semester to support our diverse students through a resolution presented to and passed in our Student Government Council. The resolution demonstrates each WSU campus's support for WSU to begin recording LGBTQ+ demographic information in an effort to offer support to a historically oppressed community. This initiative also touched on higher education accessibility.

Equity

ASWSUV looked within itself last fall and focused on ensuring a more equitable access to resources and opportunities provided by ASWSUV. Specifically, ASWUV adopted a new ticket sales policy, which takes advantage of our online social media site (CougSync), and allows students to sign up for tickets in advance. This alleviated the issues of accessibility by our non-traditional and long-distance commuters, and created a better balance between ASWSUV ticket recipients and the general student body.

Accessibility

This was perhaps the biggest and broadest piece of our platform and is reflected in nearly all of the work that ASWSUV has done. One remarkable event was the Transportation Summit, held in October 2015, which brought together community members, C-Tran, students, and administrators to have a solutions-oriented discussion about transportation and access to campus. This event has blossomed into a yearlong effort to establish a Transportation Committee for our campus and several collaborative events focused on accessibility and inclusivity of our WSUV events.

Supporting Students

Specifically, Senators have worked diligently to bring Health Week back for the third year last fall. Additionally, they have initiated projects and bills such as moving lockers from an obscure and unused location to a more accessible location, replacing microwaves for student use, and working with other ASWSUV members and administrators to ensure students have safe places to reflect, meditate, or pray.

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TO ALL MEMBERS OF THE BOARD OF REGENTS

SUBJECT: GPSA Report

SUBMITTED BY: Melanie Thornton, President

On behalf of GPSA, I would like to thank the Board of Regents for your continual support of graduate and professional students. It is with great pleasure that I report the following:

Professional Development: The GPSA Academic Affairs Committee has collaborated with two external partners, Cheeky Scientist and The Professor is In, to host 4 professional development workshops this semester. These workshops will focus on hacking the job market, networking, CVs and transferable skills, interviewing and negotiating. GPSA and Dr. Andrefsky will begin a pilot Graduate School Professional Development Advisory Board this semester. The purpose of this board is to advise the Graduate School and WSU leadership about professional development needs for the graduate student community; the board will also work on a short-term and long-term professional development programming goals.

Legislative Affairs: For the second year in a row, GPSA will be taking students to Coug Day at the Capitol in Olympia (January 25th). This year, we have doubled our participants (12 students) and quadrupled our total number of meetings (28 meetings). Though this is a short legislative session (in an election year), we hope to make legislators more aware of the growing necessity of graduate degrees and build up relationships for the next year.

National Association of Graduate and Professional Students (NAGPS): GPSA Director of Legislative Affairs Kathryn Harris has begun her term as the Director of Legislative Affairs for NAGPS, and GPSA President, Melanie Thornton, has also begun her term as the Director of Communication for NAGPS. They both attended the first in person board meeting at the University of North Texas in mid-January. We believe that this will be a wonderful opportunity to increase the profile of Washington State University over the following year by developing legislator and external relationships as well as focusing on coalition-building with science and business organizations.

Community Service & Social Events: GPSA hosted a toiletry drive during CCE'S Poverty Awareness Week, where we donated all items to the Family Promise of the Palouse. We had over 100 graduate students donate miscellaneous toiletry items. GPSA hosted an ice cream social at Ferdinand's during finals week, and had over 300 people attend the event. In early December, we also hosted a coffee hour for international students to meet and socialize from various departments. Earlier in the semester we hosted our semi-annual family and friends bowling night, where we rented out all 24 bowling lanes at Zeppoz; we had over 200 people in attendance at this event.

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SUBJECT: APAC Report

SUBMITTED BY: Larry Clark, Chair, Administrative Professional Advisory Council

The Administrative Professional Advisory Council is pleased to report the following:

- About 60 participants attended the “Identifying Strengths in Times of Transition” presentation on January 6. APAC promoted the training in conjunction with HRS.
- APAC members are preparing for the July 21-22 Northwest professional development conference in Pullman. The council expects a strong turnout from regional universities. It will be an excellent opportunity to highlight WSU and Pullman, as well as provide local training for APs.
- The APAC chair visited administrative professionals at WSU Spokane in December. It was a very productive discussion, and the Spokane APs brought forward ways to increase participation in APAC by members in Spokane.
- The APAC chair will meet with APs at WSU Vancouver, Puyallup, and Everett this month.