The Board of Regents of Washington State University (WSU or University) met pursuant to call in open meeting at 9:04 a.m. on March 8, 2024, at WSU Tri-Cities, Collaboration Hall, room 102, Richland, Washington.

Present: Chair Lisa Keohokalole Schauer; Regents Brett Blankenship, Enrique Cerna, Marty Dickinson, Isaac Marroquin, Judi McDonald, Doug Picha, Lura Powell, Jenette Ramos, John Schoettler; President Kirk H. Schulz

I. OPENING
   A. Report from the Chair of the Board of Regents. Chair Lisa Keohokalole Schauer called the meeting to order.

   Chair Schauer reported on the Regents’ participation in campus and system events since January and acknowledged the start of Women’s History Month.

   B. Report from the President of the University. President Kirk Schulz provided an update acknowledging Regents Dickinson’s, Picha’s, and Marroquin’s senate confirmation; recognition of National TRIO Day; recent WSU faculty successes including two researchers being named to the Academy of Investors, a faculty member being featured by The Science Coalition, and two new Regent Faculty designations; the recent installations of Cougar Pride statues on the Vancouver and Spokane campuses made possible by a donor’s gift; how WSU is adapting to the FAFSA delays; Washington state legislative success; Cougar athletics; and addressing faculty concerns.

   C. Report from the WSU Tri-Cities Chancellor. WSU Tri-Cities Chancellor Sandra Haynes provided an update on the Tri-Cities’ enrollment and diversity trends, student retention efforts, the recently completed academic and portfolio review, the campus’s annual operating budget, and strategic plan benchmarking and annual strategic objectives progress.

II. CONSENT AGENDA. Chair Schauer reported that there was one item on the Consent Agenda: approval of minutes – January 26, 2024, Board of Regents meeting.

   Chair Schauer asked if any Regent wished to remove an item from the consent agenda to be considered separately. Hearing no requests, it was moved and seconded that the consent agenda be approved as submitted. Carried.

III. REPORTS FROM SHARED GOVERNANCE GROUPS. The following representatives from the University Shared Governance Groups provided an update on their respective areas:
Chair Schauer added that the Regents would be hosting a series of faculty listening sessions, in partnership with the Faculty Senate, scheduled to take place on March 18, Pullman campus; March 18, Vancouver campus; March 25, Spokane campus; March 27, virtual. It was noted that a quorum of Regents would not be present at any listening session; however, several Regents would be participating at each session.

IV. EXECUTIVE AND GOVERNANCE COMMITTEE REPORT. Chair Schauer reported that the committee reviewed and discussed two Future Action Items:
- Board of Regents Election of Officers presented by Chair Schauer,
- Proposed Board of Regents Bylaws Updates presented by Executive Director for Policy and Governance Danielle Hess.

V. STRATEGIC AND OPERATIONAL EXCELLENCE COMMITTEE REPORT. Committee Chair Regent Schoettler reported that the committee reviewed and discussed one Information Item, State Legislative Update, presented by Vice President of External Affairs and Government Relations Glynda Becker-Fenter.

Regent Schoettler further reported that the committee reviewed and discussed two Discussion Items:
- Research Overview and Expenditure Report presented by Provost and Executive Vice President Elizabeth Chilton and Interim Vice President for Research Mike Wolcott,
- Free Speech and Campus Safety presented by Chilton.

Regent Schoettler further reported that the committee reviewed one Action Item and submitted the following for Board consideration:

**WSU Global Campus Strategic Plan**
It was moved and seconded that the Board of Regents approve the 2024-2029 WSU Global Campus Strategic Plan. Carried. (Exhibit A)

VI. ACADEMIC AND STUDENT AFFAIRS COMMITTEE REPORT. Committee Chair Regent Picha reported that the committee reviewed three Future Action Items:
- Discontinue Bachelor of Science in Viticulture and Enology on WSU Pullman Campus presented Chilton,
• Proposed Revisions to Washington Administrative Code (WAC) 504-24-30 Undergraduate Housing Requirement presented by Chilton and Interim Vice Chancellor for Student Affairs Jenna Hyatt,
• Proposed Revisions to Washington Administrative Code (WAC) 504-26 Standards of Conduct for Students presented by Chilton and Hyatt.

Regent Picha further reported that the committee reviewed two Action Items and submitted the following for Board consideration:

**Establish a Master’s of Energy Conscious Construction Degree, WSU Pullman and Global campuses**
It was moved and seconded that the Board of Regents establish a Master’s of Energy Conscious Construction degree for the WSU Pullman and Global campuses. Carried.

**Discontinue Bachelor of Science in Viticulture and Enology on WSU Pullman Campus**
Chair Schauer noted for the record that it was decided that this item would be presented as an action item rather than a future action item in accordance with the Board of Regents Bylaw II.12.B.

It was moved and seconded that the Board of Regents discontinue the Bachelor of Science in Viticulture and Enology Degree on the WSU Pullman Campus. Carried.

VII. **FINANCE AND COMPLIANCE COMMITTEE REPORT.** Committee Chair Regent Ramos reported that the Finance and Administration Committee reviewed and discussed two Information Items:
• Athletics Budget Update presented by Brunelli, Athletic Director Pat Chun, and Assistant Vice President for Business and Financial Services Jon Haarlow,
• Fiscal Year 2025 Budget Development presented by Brunelli and Assistant Vice President for Business and Planning Chris Jones.

Regent Ramos further reported that the committee reviewed and discussed eight Future Action Items:
• 2025-2027 State Capital Budget Request presented by Brunelli, Becker-Fenter, and Vice President for Facility Services Olivia Yang;
• Workday Contract Renewal presented by Brunelli and Senior Associate Vice President for Finance and Administration/Deputy CFO Matt Skinner;
• Proposed Chinook Student Center Mandatory Student Fee Rate Change presented by Brunelli, Chilton, Hyatt, and Associate Vice Chancellor of Student Affairs Sean Greene;
• Proposed Compton Union Building Mandatory Student Fee Range Change presented by Brunelli, Chilton, Hyatt, and Greene;
• Proposed Student Recreation Center Mandatory Student Fee Rate Change presented by Brunelli, Chilton, Hyatt, and Greene;
• WSU Vancouver, Technology Fee Committee Allocations for Fiscal Year 2025 presented by Brunelli;
• Proposed Revision to the Board of Regents Debt Management Policy presented by Brunelli, Skinner, and Hess;
• Proposed Revision to Washington Administrative Code (WAC) 504-50 – Small Works Roster presented by Brunelli, Yang, and Hess.

Regent Ramos further reported that the committee reviewed six Action Items and submitted the following for Board consideration:

**Proposed Academic Year 2024-2025 Tuition Rates for the Elson S. Floyd College of Medicine**
It was moved and seconded by the Board of Regents to set tuition rates as proposed for the Elson S. Floyd College of Medicine for the academic year 2024-25. Carried. (Exhibit B)

**WSU Pullman, Proposed Academic Year 2024-2025 Housing and Dining Rates**
It was moved and seconded that the Board of Regents authorize the proposed housing and dining rates, beginning the academic year 2024-2025. Carried. (Exhibit C)

**WSU Pullman, Undergraduate Technology Fee Committee Allocations, Fiscal Year 2025**
It was moved and seconded that the Board of Regents approve the allocations as recommended by the Pullman Undergraduate Student Technology Fee Committee for the 2025 fiscal year. Carried. (Exhibit D)

**Proposed Revisions to Washington Administrative Code (WAC) 504-04 Practice and Procedures**
It was moved and seconded that the Board of Regents approve proposed revisions to the Washington Administrative Code (WAC) Chapter 504-04 – Practice and Procedure. Carried. (Exhibit E)

**Proposed Revisions to Washington Administrative Code (WAC) 504-36, Health and Safety Regulations**
It was moved and seconded that the Board of Regents approve proposed revisions to the Washington Administrative Code (WAC) Chapter 504-36 – Health and Safety. Carried. (Exhibit F)
WSU Pullman, Voiland College of Engineering and Architecture, Schweitzer Engineering Hall, Design Approval

It was moved and seconded that the Board of Regents approve the design of the WSU Pullman, VCEA Schweitzer Engineering Hall and delegate authority to the President or designee to enter into any and all contracts necessary to complete the project within the approved project budget (resolution #240308-706). Carried. (Exhibit G)

VIII. OTHER BUSINESS. Chair Schauer reported the Regents met in Executive Session on Thursday, March 7, with legal counsel to discuss litigation or potential litigation. As a result of those discussions, Chair Schauer reported the Board had two Action Items and moved that the Board of Regents adopt resolutions #240308-707 and #240308-708, approving the request for defense of a university employee. Carried.

IX. PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD. The following comments were made to the Board:
- WSU student, Ninh Khuu, academic student employee concerns about lack of transparency regarding budget priorities;
- WSU alumni Simon Smith, potential enrollment benefit of a WSU fossil fuel divestment policy;
- WSU student Isabelle Creelman, fossil fuel divestment.

X. ADJOURNMENT. The meeting was adjourned at 11:53 a.m.

Approved by the Board of Regents at its meeting held on April 19, 2024.

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