

## **Minutes**

### **Trustees Present:**

Chair Graham	Jessica Gomez	Kelley Minty Morris
Vice Chair Sliwa	Kathy Hill	Celia Nunez
Jeremy Brown	Vince Jones	Dan Peterson
Nicole Galster	Jay Kenton, Interim Pres.	
Bill Goloski	Jill Mason	

### **University Staff and Faculty Present:**

Sandra Bailey, (KF)  
Lita Colligan, AVP Strategic Partnership and Government Relations (W)  
Erin Foley, VP Student Affairs and Dean of Students (KF)  
Brian Fox, VP Finance and Administration (KF)  
LeAnn Maupin, Dean of the College of Health, Arts, and Sciences (KF)  
Laura McKinney, VP Wilsonville (W)  
Mike Myers, Associate Professor Manufacturing and Mechanical Engineering and Technology (W)  
Hallie Neupert, Dean of the College of Engineering, Technology, and Management (KF)  
Paul Rowan, AVP Information Technology Services (KF)  
Di Saunders, AVP Marketing and Communication (W)  
Erika Veth, Dean of Online Learning (KF)  
Larry Wolfe, Professor Manufacturing and Mechanical Engineering Technology (W)

### **Others Present:**

Senator Betsy Johnson (Phone)  
William Gerry, Boeing (Phone)  
Chris Harder, Oregon Business Development Department (Phone)  
Allison Hart, Public Affairs Council and OMIC (Phone)  
Carl Wolfe (W)

## **1. Call to Order/Roll/Declaration of a Quorum**

**Chair Graham** called the meeting to order at 9:01am. The Secretary called roll and a quorum was declared.

## **2. Consent Agenda**

### **2.1 Approval of Minutes from June 29 and June 30, 2016 Meetings**

**Trustee Minty Morris moved to approve the consent agenda. Trustee Peterson seconded the motion. With all Trustees present voting aye, excluding Trustee Hill who abstained, the motion passed unanimously.**

### **3. Action Items**

#### **3.1 Recommendation to Approve the Oregon Manufacturing and Innovation Center (OMIC) Project and Authorize Staff to Proceed in Closing the Transaction and Opening the OMIC in Scappoose, Oregon**

**Interim President Kenton** walked through the agenda report including the first and second phases of due diligence and recognized Scott Parker and John Jersey for donating land to the project for road development. **VP McKinney** explained the Business and Academic plan she and Mr. Myers drafted. She outlined the intent of OMIC, the benefits to faculty and students, the university partners, and the financial makeup. She explained the roles Oregon Tech will have: landlord and research partner.

**Mr. Gerry** stated this is the first time Boeing has successfully executed this model in the US; they have successful implementation at 14 other locations world-wide. He explained the North West Collaboration on Sustainable Manufacturing transitioned to OMIC; they are working on formal member agreements with businesses; there is interest from tool manufacturers to participate in the project; and there are offers and interest to donate equipment. He expressed thanks to Oregon Tech for participating in the project.

**Mr. Harder** explained the state is investing in the project via a loan agreement to fund the purchase of the building and property. He hopes the project will have positive impact locally, regionally, and state-wide. He explained the research and development at the Scappoose site fits well with the workforce and training site Portland Community College is establishing in Scappoose.

**Ms. Hart** stated the collaborative mind-set has made this effort possible. She appreciates the work that went into the project as it will have positive impacts in research and development, the workforce, and on the industry.

**Senator Johnson** stated this is the most exciting project she has worked on during her tenure. She is committed to making OMIC her highest legislative priority. She believes this will be transformational for the region and the nation. She thanked all participants in the project.

**Interim President Kenton** continued to walk through the agenda material. He explained the details of the signed agreement and loan document with OBDD. He stated through the partnership with PCC it is possible they could use the structure for classes as soon as spring term 2017; there are six committed industry partners but at this time businesses cannot be named; and offers to transfer equipment. He gave an overview of his meeting with the Economic Development Association Director who encouraged Oregon Tech and PCC each to apply for \$3M capacity building grants. EDA is looking at the remaining adjacent property as a potential purchase for expansion of the project. Explained the university would have a seat on the Board of OMIC along with other investors. Oregon Tech's investment is limited to \$1.75M.

**Vice Chair Sliwa moved to approve the OMIC project and authorize staff to proceed in closing the transaction and opening the Oregon Manufacturing Innovation Center in Scappoose, Oregon as of January 1, 2017, and authorize the President to negotiate with sellers a satisfactory amount to be withheld from closing, in escrow, to ensure agreed upon improvements to property are made. Trustee Gomez seconded the motion.**

**Vice Chair Sliwa**, as Chair of F&F Committee, stated this project required redirecting funds from the sale of the Harmony campus, and the committee created a portion of the due diligence list. He stated there are not any questions because the university has kept the committee informed of progress and some members have been involved in OMIC meetings. His general observation is that it is a good model to learn from. **Trustee Brown**, Chair of the Academic Quality and Student Success Committee, stated educational opportunities, partnering will increase internship opportunities for students; leverage the facility to attract more faculty, vibrant project. **Trustee Minty Morris** suggested contacting Klamath County Economic Development Association to discuss involving them in the project. **Interim President Kenton** clarified that item c under the second phase of due diligence in the agenda report has extraneous information. The sentence should read: Buyer obtains commitments to participate in the Project from private industry partners acceptable to Buyer ~~(including approval from such parties that the matters listed in hat~~. He agreed with **Trustee Jones** that this project could be an opportunity for a student project including road design. He outlined the phases to buildout the cul-de-sac which will include sidewalks and all utilities, and that the estimated cost is \$1.8M, of which EDA could fund half and ODOT could fund the other half.

**A roll-call vote was called: with all trustees present voting aye the motion passed unanimously.**

### **3.2 Request for Approval of Interim President Kenton's Goals Interim President Kenton**

**Vice Chair Sliwa moved to approve Interim President Kenton's goals for the next 4-9 months. Trustee Mason seconded the motion.**

**Interim President Kenton** explained his proposed goals. **Vice Chair Sliwa** stated the most important job of the board is to hire and evaluate a president; he appreciates Interim President Kenton's willingness to walk through the evaluation process. **Trustee Brown** recommended measuring or encouraging goals which are on a multi-year timeline as not everything can be accomplished in one year. **Trustee Peterson** stated Interim President Kenton shared these ideas with faculty and staff at convocation and they were well received; he agreed that many of the goals could become the goals of the new president. **Trustee Jones** stated he looks forward to learning about some of the challenges facing the university.

**With all trustees present voting aye, the motion passed unanimously.**

### **3.3 Approval of 2017 Board Meeting Dates**

**Trustee Jones moved to approve the 2017 meeting dates. Trustee Minty Morris seconded the motion.**

February 23 and 24	Regular and committee meetings
May 25 and 26	Regular and committee meetings
July 20 and 21	Retreat
October 26 and 27	Regular and committee meetings
December 7 and 8	Regular and committee meetings

**With all trustees present voting aye, the motion passed unanimously.**

#### **4. Reports**

##### **4.1 University Update**

**Interim President Kenton** stated VPF&A Brian Fox is on board and Dr. Steve Neiheisel was hired as VP of Strategic Enrollment Management; he will be on campus next week. There are a few measures on the ballot that can have a profound influence on state budget; we are planning on both reduction and additional funding scenarios. The university ended the year with a strong fund balance. In 2015-16 the university had record enrollments, retention rates, and degrees; regardless of the outcome of the elections the university is in a strong position. He stated fall enrollment numbers are volatile as Boeing and dual credit enrollments came in early; credit hours are up 10% and head count is up 29% from last year. We will be looking at the dual credit program, prices, and process. Anticipate making revenue goals. We are the #1 regional university according to US News. We received a \$75K donation to the Rural Health initiative through the OT Foundation. AVP Colligan and Dean Maupin drafted an MOU to formalize the partnership with SLMC and OHSU. We continue to work with MGT on the faculty compensation study.

**VP/Dean Foley** responded to Trustee Brown's inquiry regarding placement data/success of 2016 graduates. She stated we usually wait 6 months from graduation to survey grads with a 4-6 week survey period. **VP Fox** addressed the costs associated with the dual credit program and that there is not a state-wide agreement on prices to charge. **Interim President Kenton** stated we need to study cost of program and impacts of the program on the university, such as are students with OT credits coming to OT.

##### **4.2 Presidential Search Committee**

**Trustee Minty Morris** stated we received about 40 applicants with a wide range of experience. There is a sub-committee, chaired by Trustee Brown, dedicated to refining interview questions. She feels the board should be pleased with the efforts of inclusiveness of stakeholders through the entire process including the on-campus interviews. **Trustee Brown** explained that the committee will review applicants and narrow down the pool for airport interviews and then on-campus interviews. Clarification that the search committee will present one candidate if there is clear decision but can bring more than one. **Trustee Minty Morris will work with Board Secretary to create the agenda for the November 15-16 meeting depending on the search committee recommendation and coordinate contact with Ben Cannon, Director of HECC and Governor Brown.**

5. **Public Comment** – none

6. **Other Matters**

**Chair Graham** reminded the Trustees they were tasked with completing a training module for Title IX. **Chair Graham** stated the next meeting is scheduled for November 15-16 in Wilsonville.

7. **Adjournment**

**Chair Graham** adjourned the meeting at 10:52am.