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1. **CALL TO ORDER/ROLL CALL/WELCOME**

President Paul Kelly called the meeting to order at 1:08 p.m. Board members present included Paul Kelly, Matt Donegan, Jill Eiland, Hannah Fisher, Brian Fox, Dalton Miller-Jones, Rosemary Powers, Kirk Schueler, and David Yaden. (Directors Allyn Ford and Preston Pulliams were absent due to business conflicts.)

Chancellor’s Staff present included Chancellor George Pernsteiner, Ryan Hagemann, Jay Kenton, Brian Meara, Di Saunders, Patricia Snopkowski, and Susan Weeks. Others present included Presidents Mary Cullinan (SOU), Bob Davies (EOU), Richard Lariviere (UO), Chris Maples (OIT), and John Minahan (WOU); Provosts Jim Bean (UO), Sabah Randhawa (OSU), and Bob Vieira (OHSU) were also present. Dr. Gail Achterman, OSU, also participated.

President Kelly called upon President Bob Davies, who advised that, on Sunday, May 9, Dillon Steigers, a transfer student to Eastern Oregon University, was involved in a fatal accident during football practice. President Kelly called for a moment of silence to honor this student.

2. **ACTION ITEMS**

   a. **OUS, Certificates of Participation**

President Kelly called upon Vice Chancellor Jay Kenton and Assistant Vice Chancellor Brian Meara to present the item (see [http://www.ous.edu/state_board/meeting/index.php](http://www.ous.edu/state_board/meeting/index.php) for docket materials). Following discussion, President Kelly called for a motion to approve the request; Kirk Schueler made the motion and Brian Fox seconded, motion passed.

Vice Chancellor Kenton thanked Mr. Meara for his service in the Chancellor’s Office and announced that Brian has accepted the position of Budget Director at Oregon State University.

   b. **Emergency Board Request for Added E&G Expenditure Limitation**

Vice Chancellor Kenton presented the request. Chancellor Pernsteiner advised that there is no General Fund monies involved in the request; only tuition revenue will be expended to hire faculty and staff to address the increased enrollment. It was commented that this process for
having to receive legislative approval to use student revenues is untenable. Following discussion, President Kelly called for a motion to approve the requests for increases in expenditure limitation; Director Powers made the motion and Director Yaden seconded, motion passed.

c. Approval of DREAM Act Resolution

President Kelly called upon Chancellor Pernsteiner to present the letter that the Chancellor sent to Senators Jeff Merkle and Ron Wyden urging their consideration to co-sponsor the Development, Relief, Education for Alien Minors Act (DREAM Act). “Passage of this legislation would remove an obstacle facing states, including Oregon, as they grapple with devising strategies to educate as many students as possible—from kindergarten to postsecondary—across our country.”

Pernsteiner called upon Director Jim Francesconí and Ms. Alicia Ortega to present the proposed resolution. Ms. Ortega advised that the DREAM Act has been before the U.S. Congress for a number of years. The act would provide access to undocumented children who are in the United States without legal immigration status through no fault of their own and have worked their way through elementary and secondary school. The resolution encourages the Congress to pass the DREAM Act in order to remove provisions in federal law that would, in turn, allow states to examine thoughtfully how to make the dream of postsecondary education for all qualified students a reality. President Kelly called upon Emily McLain to provide the Oregon Student Association’s position; she advised that the OSA actively supports the passage of this Act.

Following discussion, President Kelly called for a motion to approve the resolution; Director Dalton Miller-Jones made the motion and Director Hannah Fisher seconded, motion passed.

3. Report Items

a. OUS, Separation Agreement Review

Chancellor Pernsteiner provided a summation of the interim report on the Internal Audit review of the separation agreement with the former University of Oregon athletic director. Director Patricia Snopkowski, OUS Internal Audit Division, was available to answer questions from the Board and advised that the final report will be completed in October. President Kelly stressed that no state monies or tuition revenues were used in the pay-out to Mr. Bellotti.

b. Update from the Governance & Policy Committee

President Kelly directed the Board’s attention to the collected work on the governance restructuring that has been the focus of the Committee during the past few months. He noted that time will be set aside at the June or July Board meeting for in-depth Board discussion.
4. **DISCUSSION ITEM**

a. **Preliminary Discussion of Academic Strategies Committee 2011-2013 Recommendations**

President Kelly called upon Chair Jim Francesconi for presentation of the Academic Strategies Committee recommendations. Francesconi thanked Chancellor Pernsteiner, Vice Chancellor Weeks, and Chancellor’s Office staff, the Presidents’, Provosts’, and Research Councils, and campus personnel who participated in the development of the proposed policy option packages.

Vice Chancellor Weeks provided background on the successful collaboration of various groups across Oregon in the development process. Six proposed action categories were established: 1) Aligning institution missions to frame the OUS portfolio, 2) Creating a college-going culture for underrepresented students, 3) Improving student outcomes, 4) Preparing for a diverse world, 5) Serving Oregon with regionalized approaches, and 6) Strengthening critical areas of Oregon’s economy. Each category contains specific action recommendations for a total 2011-2013 operating budget request of $38,280,060.¹

Francesconi called upon Director Powers to provide context for the priorities and the manner in which they support the strategic goals of the System. President Wiewel said that the communication and coordination between the Board committees and the presidents and campus staff need improvement so that campus budgets are prioritized and aligned with Board priorities.

Director Schueler described the priorities relating to Central Oregon that were developed by the HEAT task group (Higher Education Assessment Team in Central Oregon). Director Powers presented the “hub and spoke” model for education delivery to rural and remote underserved areas of the state. Chair David Yaden (Sustainability Committee) welcomed Dr. Gail Achteman to the table for the presentation of the economic development proposals brought forward by the Sustainability Committee, the Research Council, and the Engineering and Technology Industry Council (ETIC); Provost Sabah Randhawa provided background on the graduate education proposal and Provost Jim Bean described the product design collaborative in the Portland metropolitan area. Francesconi advised that the product design collaborative has been endorsed by Mayor Sam Adams. He also noted that Boeing has expressed interest in the metals and manufacturing collaboratory and President Wiewel noted that PSU’s dean of engineering has been actively pursuing the collaboratory’s implementation.

Francesconi called upon President Maples to present OIT’s capital request to consolidate the Portland area programs into a single location in Wilsonville. Maples stated that this proposal has been driven by the necessity for additional space as they have outgrown the four locations currently used in the metropolitan area. They specifically looked for a location on the I-5

¹ (see [http://www.ous.edu/state_board/meeting/dockets/ddoc100513-ASC4.pdf](http://www.ous.edu/state_board/meeting/dockets/ddoc100513-ASC4.pdf) for policy option package descriptions and funding requests)
corridor within easy access of Portland. One program, renewable engineering, at OIT has grown far beyond what was forecasted and the community of Wilsonville has created a high-tech community of which OIT will complement.

Chair Francesconi requested the Board to study the proposed policy option packages and be prepared to vote, up or down, at the July meeting.

5. **ADJOURNMENT**

With no further business proposed, President Kelly adjourned the meeting at 4:23 p.m.