



**PUBLIC MEETING OF THE WOU BOARD'S
EXECUTIVE, GOVERNANCE AND TRUSTEESHIP COMMITTEE (EGTC)
Meeting No. 38
November 2, 2023 | 1:00 pm – 3:00 pm**

Draft Meeting Minutes

I. CALL-TO-MEETING AND ROLL CALL

Chair Komp calls the meeting to order at 1:00pm and asks Secretary Sorce to call the roll.

The following Trustees are present: Trustee Jerry Ambris, Trustee Gayle Evans, Trustee Kari Nelsestuen, Chair Betty Komp.

The Follow Trustees were excused:
Trustee Susan Castillo

Other Staff Present: President Jesse Peters, Evan Sorce, David Terry, Ryan Schnobrich

II. CHAIR'S WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Chair Betty Komp gave a warm welcomed everyone attending the meeting. Chair Komp then walked through the agenda. Asked President Peters to say a few words. President Peters welcomed everyone, spoke about Men's Soccer team doing wonderful and have a game this weekend.

III. CONSENT AGENDA

- 1) Approval of meeting minutes from July 11, 2023

Trustee Nelsestuen moves the approval of the July 11, 2023 meeting minutes and Trustee Ambris seconds the motion. There was no additional discussion. The motion passed unanimously.

III. REPORTS & DISCUSSION ITEMS:

- 1) Internal Audit Update | David Terry, CPA, CFE, CIA & Ryan Schnobrich CPA.
CIA

Chair Komp introduced Mr. David Terry to start the update and asked him to introduce his colleague, Mr. Ryan Schnobrich. Mr Schnobrich comes to the Internal Audit Team from Southern Oregon University and will be a lead on some of the audit work for WOU. David presented the Internal Audit update presentation, which can be found in the November 2, 2023, EGTC Docket for review.

During the presentation, Chair Komp asked for more information on the difference between what the external auditors are looking for and what the internal auditors look at when auditing financial aid. Mr. Terry went into more detail about the differences. Mr. Schnobrich introduced himself a little more and mentioned that he would lead the Cleary Audit and start that project in 2024. Lastly, Mr. Terry walked through the update on internal audit standards. Trustee Evans thanked Mr. Terry and Mr. Schnobrich for the update and then asked about the flow of information sharing after the reports are finalized. Mr. Terry responded that the applicable

administration will have access to the report as well as President Peters. They will then be shared with the EGTC. If there are findings, the final report will include management response and corrective actions to address findings within the report.

2) Debrief the WOU Board Retreat

Chair Komp asked Trustee Nelsestuen to lead this conversation about the board retreat. She reported that Board leadership had a debrief with the facilitator, who shared their notes with Board leadership. The notes are included in the November 2 EGTC Docket for review. Trustee Nelsestuen then asked the committee members a couple of debriefing questions regarding the retreat. The Committee had a long and robust discussion about the role of the Board. Then, it focused on the role of the Board, specifically around the development and implementation of the strategic plan that is currently being developed. After a long discussion, there was some understanding regarding the Board's desire to get opportunities to discuss and provide feedback on the strategic plan as well as get periodic updates on the implementation of the strategic plan. There was also a conversation about the desire for more opportunities for the Board to communicate with students, staff, and faculty who are doing the work on the ground.

3) Goals for the Board of Trustees for the 2023/2024

a. Review/Update our Board Statements to Comply with SB 273

- i. Secretary Sorce presented updates to our Board Statements to comply with SB 273. Secretary Sorce walked through the recommendations and discussed them with the committee. The EGTC asked Secretary Sorce to develop a plan to prioritize updates based on need and bring a plan forward to the EGTC. Secretary Sorce mentioned that he put all the Board Statements in Google Sheets and shared them with the committee to start providing feedback and working on proposed changes.

V. ADJOURNMENT

Chair Komp adjourned the meeting at 2:50pm.