

Board of Trustees Special Meeting

Thursday, June 2, 2016 5:45 – 8:30 p.m. (or until business concludes) DeBoer Room, Hannon Library and Schneider Museum of Art

MINUTES

Call to Order and Preliminary Business

Chair Thorndike called the meeting to order at 5:58 p.m.

The following trustees were in attendance: Bill Thorndike, Les AuCoin, Lyn Hennion, Paul Nicholson, Jeremy Nootenboom, Judy Shih, Dennis Slattery and Joanna Steinman. Trustee Steve Vincent participated by teleconference.

The following trustees were absent: Filiberto Bencomo, Teresa Sayre, April Sevcik, Shea Washington and Roy Saigo.

Other meeting guests included: Dr. Linda Schott, presidential candidate; Ryan Brown, Head of Community and Media Relations; Sabrina Prud'homme, Board Secretary; and Kathy Park, Executive Assistant.

Public Comment

There was no public comment.

Candidate Interview for the Position of University President [Executive Session Pursuant to ORS 192.660 (2)(a)]

After welcoming Dr. Linda Schott, Chair Thorndike said the board would interview Dr. Schott for the position of SOU President and would then move to the Schneider Museum of Art for dinner and further discussion with Dr. Schott. Chair Thorndike advised those in attendance that the board would enter into executive session to consider the employment of a public officer, employee, staff member or individual agent.

Chair Thorndike then recited applicable statutory provisions. Pursuant to ORS 192.660 (2)(a), the governing body of a public body may hold an executive session to consider the employment of a public officer, employee, staff member or individual agent.

Although no members of the media were present, Chair Thorndike stated, for the record, pursuant to ORS 192.660 (4), representatives of the news media shall be allowed to attend the executive session. All other members of the audience, except designated staff, were asked to leave the room. Representatives of the news media were specifically directed not to report on or otherwise disclose any of the deliberations or anything said about these subjects during the executive session,

except to state the general subject of the session as previously announced. In addition, members of the media were respectfully directed not to record the executive session.

Chair Thorndike added that, pursuant to ORS 192.660 (6), no final action would be taken or final decision made in the executive session.

In addition to SOU board members, the following persons were permitted to remain for the executive session: Linda Schott; General Counsel, Jason Catz; University Board Secretary, Sabrina Prud'homme; Executive Assistant to the Board Secretary and General Counsel, Kathy Park; and Ryan Brown, Head of Community and Media Relations.

The board then began its executive session. At the conclusion of the executive session, Chair Thorndike returned the meeting to open session. There were no attendees to welcome back into the room. Chair Thorndike then temporarily adjourned the meeting so those in attendance could transition to dinner.

Dinner and Discussion with Candidate

After arriving at the Schneider Museum of Art, Chair Thorndike reconvened the meeting. In addition to those present during the executive session (except for Mr. Brown), attendees included Thomas Fuhrmark, Alex Bellen, Cathy Nicholson, Sandra Slattery and Treasa Sprague. Discussion ensued on various social topics among the trustees, Dr. Schott and invited guests.

Adjourn

Chair Thorndike adjourned the meeting at approximately 8:25 p.m.

Date: June 17, 2016

Respectfully submitted by,

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Sabrina Prud'homme University Board Secretary