

Board of Trustees Meeting Minutes

October 8, 2021 • Zoom

Trustees

Kay Christensen
Jon Cox
Randy Cox
Brady Curtis
Jeff Kahn
Leslie Keisel, Chair
Rick Robinson, Vice Chair

College Personnel

Teri Clawson, Enrollment AVP Brad Cook, President Carson Howell, Finance VP Marci Larsen, Secretary to the Board Stacee McIff, Tech Ed VP Rob Nielson, Assistant to the President

Others

Carl Albrecht, State Legislator Geoff Landward, Deputy Commissioner

Welcome

Chair Keisel called the meeting to order and thanked the group for being willing to meet.

Four Year Degrees in Central Utah

Chair Keisel asked USHE staff about rumors of a possible merger with a four-year institution. Deputy Commissioner Geoff Landward reviewed the sequence of events and apologized that appropriate conversations with board leadership had not yet happened. Trustees stated their strong opposition to a merger and expressed their opinions. They reminded USHE staff of Snow College's successes and reiterated that the college is not in a dire financial situation. They requested USHE 1) address funding formulas and 2) support the base budget adjustment plan as presented previously to various state stakeholders.

Deputy Commissioner Landward listened, again apologized for the timing of the communications, and said state board leadership and the trustees' leadership teams would meet next week to further the discussion.

Chair Keisel asked Representative Albrecht and Deputy Commissioner Landward if they understood the trustees' opinions and had enough information to represent them in meetings they have regarding the future of Snow College. They affirmed they did, and Representative Albrecht noted that this idea was not initiated by local legislators.

Adjournment

Chair Keisel thanked everyone for meeting and declared the meeting adjourned.

Marci Larsen, Board Secretary

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