

HUMBOLDT STATE UNIVERSITY FOUNDATION

MINUTES OF THE HSU FOUNDATION EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING

September 24, 2021
2:30 PM
ZOOM TELECONFERENCE

Present:

Jenny Harris (Board Chair)
Gary Blatnick (Treasurer)
Frank Whitlatch (Executive Director)
Kurt Fraese (Donor Intention & Fulfillment Chair)
Ken Fulgham (Finance & Investment Chair)
Heidi Moore-Guynup (D, E & I Chair)
Gary Rynearson (Past Board Chair)

Absent:

Guest(s):

President Tom Jackson, Jr., Angie Petroske

A meeting of the Executive Committee of the Humboldt State University Foundation was held on Friday, September 24, 2021, at 2:30 P.M. via ZOOM Teleconference.

1. Call to order

The meeting was called to order by Board Chair Jenny Harris at 2:31 P.M.

2. Public comments

There were no public comments.

3. Acceptance of Minutes of the August 13, 2021 meeting

Upon motion duly made (Ken Fulgham), seconded (Gary Blatnick), and unanimously carried, it was:

RESOLVED, that the Minutes of the August 13, 2021 meeting are accepted.

4. Spending from Trusts

A discussion on how to recommend departments spend funds in their trusts, especially those trusts that are stagnating or under-utilized and how to bring awareness to University Deans about a fund's intended use.

5. Board of Directors Meeting (October 8, 2021)

HSUF Executive Committee Chair Jenny Harris informed the committee the HSUF Board of Directors on October 8, 2021 will be held virtually and will include a Boldly Rising Campaign update, donor impact presentations from University deans, and donor stories. A virtual retreat in conjunction with the Boldly Rising Campaign Cabinet is occurring on October 7, 2021; all Board members will receive an invitation.

6. Board Member Recruitment (option for Spring appointments)

A discussion regarding ideas for great new board members and which committees need additional members. Frank Whitlatch informed the committee that Eden Donahue has been appointed as the Board's faculty representative.

7. Agenda items for upcoming year

A discussion involving the Board's potential involvement in expanding or modifying new formalized programs for the polytechnic designation and adding a future agenda item for the Board's official name change when and if the CSU Board of Trustees approves the name change for the University.

8. Other Business

A discussion on next steps for continuing the Board's work on advancing diversity, equity, and inclusion. Committee Chairs should view work through DEI lens to identify knowledge and implementation gaps. University's ODEI should be informed of Foundation's role so they can provide appropriate recommendations regarding the application of knowledge.

The discussion also included an acknowledgment that the Board requires information regarding the University's plan to address housing needs for increased enrollment due to polytechnic status so elevator pitches can be created.

9. Adjournment

Without objection, the meeting was adjourned at 3:37 PM.