



**The University Foundation
at Sacramento State**
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**The University Foundation at Sacramento State
Board of Directors Meeting**
June 6, 2023 | 1:30 p.m. – 4:30 p.m.
Audiology Clinic, Zoom

Members Present:

Holly Tiche, *Board Chair*
Nataly Andrade-Dominguez
Lora Anguay
Margot Bach
Jonathan Bowman
Lisa Cardoza
Mark Drobny
Vanessa Guerra
Colette Harris-Mathews, *SSAA Representative*
David Lopez
Garry Maisel, *Chair, Finance*
Sue McGinty
Robert S. Nelsen, *President*
Alice Perez, *Board Vice Chair*
Ajay Singh
Pam Stewart
Scott Syphax
Tina Treis, *Chair, Audit - Zoom*

Members Absent:

Bernice Bass de Martinez, *Chair, Governance*
Christine Ault
David Bugatto
Sonney Chong
Lee Ritchey
Bud Travers

Guests:

Jennifer Barber, *Alumni Relations*
Sharon Takeda, *Annual Giving*
Antoinette Vojtech, *Principal Gifts & Campaign*
Brian Dombkowski, *Sand Hill*
Meghan DeGroot, *Sand Hill*
Tabitha Leeds, *Accounting Services*
Mary Maguire, *College of HHS*
Heather Thompson, *Audiology Clinic*
Jennifer Lundmark, *Biological Sciences*

Advancement Staff:

Tatiana Azad
Amanda Lewis
Renee Siden

MEETING MINUTES

1. Call to Order
 - a. Chair Tiche called the meeting to order at 1:35 p.m.
 - b. Dr. Maguire welcomed the group and discussed the Help Hive program through the College of Health and Human Services.
 - c. Dr. Thompson gave a presentation on the Maryjane Rees Language, Speech & Hearing Center – Audiology Clinic.
 - d. The agenda for the June 6, 2023 meeting was approved. (Perez/Guerra)
 - e. There were no public comments.

- f. The Board approved the consent calendar, consisting of the February 28, 2023 Board meeting minutes. (Perez/Treis)
- 2. Committee Reports
 - a. Finance Committee Update (Maisel)
 - i. Sand Hill Presentation
 - ii. Task Force Recommendations (Lopez)
 - 1. \$4M in LAIF funds to be transferred to non-endowment investment account at Sand Hill.
 - 2. \$3M in Wells Fargo account to be transferred to a money market fund.
 - 3. These changes will take place on a timeline that is operationally feasible with the precise instruments to be approved by the Task Force.
 - 4. Recommendations were approved (Maisel on behalf of the Finance Committee/Bach)
 - iii. UFSS Financial Statements (Leeds)
 - 1. UFSS Financial Statements as of 3-31-23 were approved (Maisel/Bach)
 - 2. 2023-24 Annual Budget was approved (Perez/Drobny)
 - b. Planned Giving Update (Drobny)
 - i. Reviewed the Planned Giving Dashboard
 - ii. Lora Hollingsworth is leaving Sac State
 - iii. Estate Planning 101 course will be in-person on August 15, 2023
 - c. Audit Committee Update (Treis)
 - i. Selected new audit firm – CLA
 - ii. Signing the CLA documents was approved (Treis on behalf of the Audit Comm./Guerra)
 - 1. Statement of Work
 - 2. Master Services Agreement
 - 3. Entity Tax Compliance Statement of Work
 - d. Governance Committee Update (Guerra for Bass de Martinez)
 - i. Asked the directors to review the Committees Roster
 - ii. New board members were approved (Stewart/Guerra)
 - 1. Fred Baldini
 - 2. Colette Harris Mathews
 - 3. Ryan Murphy
 - 4. Randy Solorio
 - e. Executive Committee Update (Tiche)
 - i. Reviewed the UFSS Dashboard
 - ii. Reviewed the findings of the 2:1 meetings with board members
 - iii. Reviewed the university-wide initiatives

3. Presentation on Hornet Leadership Project - Jennifer Lundmark, Professor, Department of Biological Sciences
 - a. The project offers multiple opportunities for students to explore their leadership capacity and engage in socially responsible leadership practice with peers and members of the community. Presently funded by the National Science Foundation, the HLP primarily serves students from the colleges of Natural Sciences & Mathematics and Engineering & Computer Sciences, but would like to expand its offerings to serve all students on the Sacramento State campus.
4. President's Report (Nelsen)
 - a. Proposed tuition increase that would take effect in 2024
 - b. New Sac State President announced – J. Luke Wood
 - c. Concerns about enrollment across the CSUs – overall we are within 1% of where we've been in the past
 - d. Transfer students are down due to low enrollment at community colleges
 - e. Dr. Jeanne Harris-Caldwell hired as the new Senior Associate VP for Student Health, Counseling and Wellness
 - f. Dr. Lisa Cardoza is leaving to become the President at American River College and Sharon Takeda will be the interim VP of University Advancement
 - g. Dr. Ed Mills is leaving to become VP of Strategic Enrollment at Sonoma State University and Dr. Jenni Murphy will be the interim VP of Student Affairs
 - h. Jim Reinhart is retiring and John Melikian will be the new executive director of UEI
 - i. Sac State has a new quarterback this season who looks very promising
 - j. We graduated 2,000 more students this year than five years ago – 9,547 students graduated
5. Advancement Update (Cardoza)
 - a. New CRM coming
 - b. Give Sac State Day raised \$429,500 in just 36 hours
 - c. Fundraising Priorities
 - i. Anchor University
 - ii. Placer Center
 - iii. Hornet Stadium Expansion Project
 - iv. Art Sculpture Lab
 - v. Engineering Building
6. Alumni Association Update (Harris-Mathews)
 - a. Activated the Graduates of the Last Decade (GOLD) Alumni Council.
 - b. Participating in new student orientation sessions.
 - c. Sending note cards to welcome new students and holding send-off events.
 - d. Approved a new strategic plan for SSAA.
 - e. Welcoming four new board members including two regional directors.
7. Student Update (Andrade-Dominguez)
 - a. ASI Board has three seats to fill.
 - b. Will hold a board retreat in August.

- c. Food Pantry open from 10 am – noon during summer.
 - d. The Children's Center received a grant to remodel the outside play area
 - e. ASI priority is to work on retention of student employees by looking at how they can best be supported.
8. Board Member Highlight (Drobny for Bugatto)
- a. ASI Food Pantry Update
 - i. 100% of the food at the pantry is now either through donation or through wholesale purchase at the Sacramento Food Bank
 - ii. Nothing is being purchased at retail prices
 - iii. Now moving onto Phase 2 which will be to expand the food program relationship with the Sacramento Food Bank
 - 1. Continue the shift to a reduction in wholesale food purchases with a greater allocation provided at no cost
 - 2. A van is required to accomplish Phase 2
 - iv. ASI Food Pantry received \$13,300 through Give Sac State Day – a 210% increase from 2022
9. Tiche adjourned the meeting at 4:28 p.m.

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