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The Board of Trustees of Oregon State University

Joint Meeting:
Executive, Audit and Governance Committee
Finance and Administration Committee

January 19, 2023
10:00 – 10:25 a.m.
Memorial Union, Horizon Room
Corvallis, OR

MINUTES

Executive, Audit and Governance Committee Members Present: Kirk Schueler (*chair*), Patty Bedient (*vice chair*), Julia Brim-Edwards (*via Zoom*), Darry Callahan, Jayathi Murthy (*ex officio*), Preston Pulliams

Finance and Administration Committee Members Present: Román Hernández (*vice chair*), Susan Clark, Jax Richards, Mike Green (*ex officio*)

Finance and Administration Committee Members Absent: Rani Borkar

Other Trustees Present: Maria Chávez-Haroldson, Michele Longo Eder, Julie Manning, Inara Scott

University Staff Present: Shanon Anderson, Jackie Bangs, Jon Boeckenstedt, Steve Clark, Ed Feser, Susan Freccia, Becca Gose, Mike Green, Jen Humphreys, Stacy Jeffries, Paul Odenthal, Melanie Rose, Heidi Sann, Irem Tumer, Scott Vignos

Invited Guests: Jean Bushong, principal and Bryan Heasty, manager, CliftonLarsonAllen LLP

1. Call to Order / Roll Call / Declaration of a Quorum

Committee Chair Kirk Schueler called to the meeting to order at 10:00 a.m. Board Secretary Jackie Bangs called the roll and verified a quorum.

2. Action Item

a. FY2021 External Auditor Annual Report

Associate Vice President for Finance and Controller Heidi Sann were joined by Jean Bushong, principal and Brian Heasty, manager from CliftonLarsonAllen LLP (CLA) to deliver the report.

Bushong emphasized that university management is responsible for detecting fraud, non-compliance and errors in the financial statements it provides CLA to audit.

She reported that CLA had issued an unmodified opinion indicating the material correctness of the information in OSU's financial statements, adding that CLA found no material weaknesses or significant deficiencies.

Heasty provided an overview of the FY2021 single audit report, identifying two significant deficiencies in the federal audit.

He provided details of the first deficiency, under the topic of Federal Student Financial Aid related to

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the Gramm-Leach-Bliley Act (GLBA). It found that, while the university was performing IT-related risk assessments to protect confidential student information, it was not formalizing responses to those mitigating controls as required.

Heasty reported on a second significant deficiency related to sub-recipient monitoring under the Cooperative Extension Service program, which requires the university to gather single audit results from subrecipients of research funding to determine if they are in compliance.

Heasty closed with an update on the 2022 single audit, which is underway and expected to be completed by the end of January.

Trustees asked about the testing process for programs like the Higher Education Emergency Relief Fund (HEERF); if the university had remediated the two significant deficiencies identified in the FY2021 single audit; and if the board would see the 2022 single audit results at its April meeting.

Chair Schueler sought a motion to approve the financial statements and single audit report. A motion was made, seconded and approved by all trustees in attendance.

3. Adjournment

With no other discussion or business, Committee Chair Kirk Schueler adjourned the meeting at 10:24 a.m.

Respectfully Submitted,



Stacy Jeffries
Executive Assistant, Office of the Board of Trustees