

**SGU BOARD OF REGENTS
SPECIAL MEETING
TUESDAY, JANUARY 25, 2022**

-MINUTES-

Roll Call – Board Secretary

Board Members Present:

Mike Boltz, Chairman; Ken Wike, Staff/Faculty Regent; Richard Lunderman, Regent 3 Rep. (participated on-line); Donna Hollow Horn Bear, RST Education Comm. (participated on-line).

Vacancies: Elder Regent, Student Regent, District 3 & 4 Regents.

Others present: Carole Gregg, Finance Manager; John Crawford, Executive Vice President; Evelyn White Hawk, Board Secretary; (IT rep.).

Opening Prayer

Opening prayer by Evelyn White Hawk.

Chairman Boltz reminds the Board the meeting held on December 3, 2021 was not adjourned due to the WINHEC exit report and this should be done before going into this special meeting.

Motion #: 01:01:25:22

Motion by Ken Wike and seconded by Richard Lunderman to adjourn the meeting held on December 3, 2021. Vote: four (4) in favor, zero (0) opposed, zero (0) abstaining, motion carried.

Call to Order

Chairman Boltz called to order a special meeting of the SGU Board of Regents at 11:10 a.m. on Tuesday, January 25, 2022 at the Student Services Building (Classroom #1) on the Antelope Lake Campus. A quorum was present.

Approval of Agenda

Request for additions to the agenda: 1) Elder Regent; 2) Job Description for Interim Assistant to the President; 3) Personnel; 4) Communication; 5) Teacher Training on “Critical Race Theory & History”; 6) Organizational Chart; 7) Executive Session after Finance Report.

Motion #: 02:01:25:22

Motion by Ken Wike and seconded by Donna Hollow Horn Bear to approve the agenda with the amendments. Vote: four (4) in favor, zero (0) opposed, zero (0) abstaining, motion carried.

Meeting Minutes: December 3, 2021

Minutes for the December 3rd, 2021 meeting were deferred.

Report: John Crawford, Executive Vice President

--Student and staff elections are proceeding. Staff voting closes tonight. For the student elections we did have multiple students nominated for President, Vice President, Treasurer and Secretary. Used the same process as before. This time using computers and going according to the by-laws. Student voting opens tomorrow. Possibly extend this into next Monday or Tuesday.

--Two (2) vacancies for At-large Regents for District 3 & 4.

--Set up interviews for the Elder Regent.

--There are no plans for Founders' Day this year due to COVID. Recommended to acknowledge Founders' Day by showing clips from previous Founders' Day Celebration and post on Channel 93 and SGU Website.

--Planning for a Budget Retreat. Need to plan for the remaining COVID funds. Department of Education funds have to be spent within a timeline this year. Remaining, unspent funds can be spent 4 years into the future. Must submit a four-year plan. Will use unspent funding for renovation of existing buildings and focus on the needs of students. We have so far paid student tuition/fees. Right now, the TIPI building is in bad shape.

--Comment: It is the Board's responsibility to approve the budgets. It is not right to talk about these things after the fact.

--Discussion on premium/hazard payments. The Board has a fiduciary responsibility here. Requested a listing of individuals who received these payments and what policy was used to determine eligibility.

--Dr. Crawford assured the Board that a firm budget will be developed by September and to keep the Board informed.

--Discussion on IOT and Nursing needs. Technology Building is in need of renovation. Ask the U.S. representatives to research funding availability for tribal colleges.

--Need to update our strategic plan.

--Mr. Lunderman talked about federal dollars dependency and expanding our vision.

--Request for review of job descriptions for the Vice President(s) and the Executive Vice President.

--Need to revise the Grievance Policy so it is fair and equitable to all employees. Do not feel the present policy is fair to the employees. Possibly a 3rd party arbitrator (someone outside of the institution). Someone who will be neutral. Grievance Committee should be set-up either outside or inside the institution. Mr. Crawford will work on a Grievance Policy and bring it to the next meeting.

Motion #: 03:01:25:22

Donna Hollow Horn Bear made the motion and seconded by Ken Wike to accept John Crawford's report. Vote: three (3) in favor, zero (0) opposed, 1 abstaining, motion passed.

Report: Carole Gregg, Finance Office Manager

--Endowment Funds w/ Seacrest – October 1 – December, 2021. (Question: Do we have our own investment Policies?)

--Accounts Receivables – write-off on old student accounts.

--COVID Funds – Remaining as of 1/19/22

--Balance Sheet – December, 2021

--Check Register – December, 2021 – Students were paid an internet stipend and food stipend (600 students total) not on this check register.

--Report on all active grants

--Revised Mileage Log Form to inset into accounting manual.

--Audit is late. Waiting for an answer from Financial Aid. Midas dealing with COVID right now.

Motion #: 04:01:25:22

Motion by Donna Hollow Horn Bear and seconded by Ken Wike to approve Carole's report. Vote: four (4) in favor, zero (0) opposed, zero (0) abstaining, motion passed.

Carole excused from the meeting at 1:00 p.m.

Review SGU By-laws

Board will set a new date for this due to time constraints.

Review of SGU Board Manual

Board will set a new date for this due to time constraints.

New Business

--Call Eric Antoine, Tribal attorney for more information on the TLE Lawsuit. He has been negotiating with Sandven (attorney).

--Recommend to have a monthly regular meeting and special meeting to go over the by-laws.

--Prepare teachers on dealing with race/history.

Old Business

None.

Adjourn

Motion #: 05:01:25:22

Motion by Donna Hollow Horn Bear and seconded by Ken Wike to adjourn the meeting. Vote: four (4) in favor, zero (0) opposed, zero (0) abstaining, motion passed. Meeting adjourned at 1:34 p.m.

CERTIFICATION

We, the undersigned hereby certify that at a duly called meeting held on March 4, 2022, of which a quorum was present that the foregoing meeting minutes of January 25th, 2022 were approved by a vote of four (4) in favor, zero (0) opposed, zero (0) abstaining, motion passed.

/s/Mike Boltz, Chairman
SGU Board of Regents

ATTEST:

/s/ Evelyn White Hawk, Board Secretary
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