



**Board of Trustees of the University of Oregon  
Finance and Facilities Committee Meeting**

**September 8, 2016**

**Committee Membership**

Peter Bragdon	Present
Andrew Colas	Present
Susan Gary	Present
Joseph Gonyea III	Present
Ross Kari, Chair	Present
Michael Schill	Present

The Finance and Facilities Committee (FFC) of the Board of Trustees of the University of Oregon (Board) met in the Ford Alumni Center on the University of Oregon (UO) campus on September 8, 2016. Below is a summary of committee discussions and actions. An audio recording is available.

**Convening, Introduction, Approval of Minutes.** FFC Chair Ross Kari called the meeting to order at 10:24 a.m. Roll call was taken and a quorum verified. Chair Kari opened by providing a brief overview of the agenda. Minutes from the June 2016 FFC meeting were approved by voice vote without amendment.

**Public Comment.** Following is a list of individuals who spoke and the general topic(s) of their remarks.

- *Lois Yoshishige – classified employee, Business Affairs: expressed concerns regarding renovation of Oregon Hall and relocation of the student billing and collections function.*

**Quarterly Finance Report.** Vice President for Finance and Administration and CFO Jamie Moffitt provided the quarterly and year-end financial report. Moffitt reported that the year-end actuals for the E&G fund were very consistent with the third quarter financial projections. Financial reports are available in the posted meeting materials packet.

**Auxiliary Budget Review: Athletics.** Director of Intercollegiate Athletics Rob Mullens and Deputy Athletic Director Eric Roedl provided trustees with a more in-depth look at the financial picture of the UO's Department of Intercollegiate Athletics (DIA). Mullens provided a department overview and discussed in detail the student-athlete (SA) profile relative to scholarships and, thus, tuition paid by the DIA to the UO. Mullens also broke down revenue and expenses for the DIA as well as total spending from DIA that transferred to other university budgets (\$12.5M) plus \$1M in assessments to the University of Oregon Foundation. Mullens also discussed some of the key cost drivers for the department including debt service, increases in tuition, salaries/benefits, overhead assessments, and improvements to SA services as the result of recent permissive NCAA legislative changes (e.g. enhanced meals/nutrition, cost of attendance added to scholarship). Mullens and Roedl also compared financial metrics within the DIA to averages in Oregon, the Power 5 conferences, Pac-12, etc. Trustees asked questions about DIA's practices used to obtain a 90%

exhausted eligibility graduation rate and the impact of television contracts on visibility, ticket sales and attendance. Trustees also noted that institutional spending comparisons provided by Mullens and Roedl are conservative in that they exclude institutional tuition waivers for athletic scholarships, a fairly common practice at other schools, but one which does not occur at the UO (the DIA pays the institution full tuition for student-athlete scholarships).

### **Capital Construction Approvals.**

**Oregon Hall.** Moffitt provided trustees with an overview of the Oregon Hall renovation project and the positive impact that it will have on the various student services provided in the building. The project will not only provide critically needed space, but will also address significant deferred maintenance issues in the building. Moffitt acknowledged the concerns raised during public comment, noting that the director of Business Affairs is committed to thinking through such concerns and identifying workable solutions. Moffitt explained that the project has an estimated cost of \$9.5 million, funded by existing revenue bond proceeds.

*ACTION: The Committee considered the motion to approve the Oregon Hall project. The motion was moved by Gonyea and seconded by Bragdon; it carried by voice vote without dissent.*

**Pacific Hall.** David Conover, vice president for research and innovation, and Bill Cresko, associate vice president for research, professor and Pacific Hall “resident,” provided an overview of the planned renovations of Pacific Hall. They spoke to the overall need to enhance the UO’s research infrastructure and, particularly, the outdated layout and laboratory spaces in Pacific Hall. They discussed the project’s total budget of \$16.7 million, which includes two phases (\$12.6 million and \$4.1 million, respectively). The first phase will focus on creating 14 new science labs. The second phase will focus on the west entrance and a large classroom. Funding for the project comes from a lead gift and existing bond proceeds. Trustees engaged in a discussion about campus planning more generally.

*ACTION: The Committee considered the motion to approve the Pacific Hall project. The motion was moved by Gonyea and seconded by Bragdon; it carried by voice vote without dissent.*

**Energy Policies and Programs in UO Buildings.** Due to time, Chair Kari deferred this topic to a future meeting.

**Adjournment.** The meeting adjourned at 11:51 a.m.