

Board of Trustees of the University of Oregon

**Seconded Motion Regarding
Resolution: Adoption of a Revised University Mission Statement**

Whereas, the University of Oregon benefits from having a well-written and thoughtful mission statement that articulates its purpose and direction;

Whereas, the University of Oregon has engaged the campus community and the public to draft an updated mission statement that carries the school into the future;

Whereas, an updated mission statement was crafted after web-based public input, public meetings, and in depth discussions with academic leadership;

Whereas, ORS 352.089(2) requires the Board of Trustees to adopt a mission statement for the University of Oregon and forward that statement to the Higher Education Coordinating Commission for the Commission's review; and

Whereas, pursuant to the Board's Policy on Committees, the Academic and Student Affairs Committee voted to refer this action as a seconded motion to the Board of Trustees for adoption;

Now, therefore, the Board of Trustees of the University of Oregon hereby adopts the revised mission statement attached hereto as Exhibit A and authorizes the officers of the university to take all action necessary and appropriate to submit it to the Higher Education Coordinating Commission for review.

-Vote Recorded on Following Page-

Trustee	Yes	No
Ballmer, Connie	X	
Bragdon, Peter	X	
Chapa, Rudy	X	
Colas, Andrew	X	
Curry, Ann	Not Present	Not Present
Ford, Allyn	X	
Gary, Susan	X	
Gonyea III, Joe	X	
Kari, Ross	X	
Lillis, Chuck	X	
Ralph, Ginevra	X	
Wilcox, Mary	X	
Willcox, Kurt	X	
[Student Position Vacant]	--	--

Dated: 5th of November, 2014.


Initials: 

Exhibit A
Revised UO Draft Mission Statement

Mission Statement

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Purpose

We strive for excellence in teaching, research, artistic expression, and the generation, dissemination, preservation, and application of knowledge. We are devoted to educating the whole person, and to fostering the next generation of transformational leaders and informed participants in the global community. Through these pursuits, we enhance the social, cultural, physical, and economic wellbeing of our students, Oregon, the nation, and the world.

Vision

We aspire to be a preeminent and innovative public research university encompassing the humanities and arts, the natural and social sciences, and the professions. We seek to enrich the human condition through collaboration, teaching, mentoring, scholarship, experiential learning, creative inquiry, scientific discovery, outreach, and public service.

Values

We value the passions, aspirations, individuality, and success of the students, faculty, and staff who work and learn here.

We value academic freedom, creative expression, and intellectual discourse.

We value our diversity and seek to foster equity and inclusion in a welcoming, safe, and respectful community.

We value the unique geography, history and culture of Oregon that shapes our identity and spirit.

We value our shared charge to steward resources sustainably and responsibly.

Exhibit B
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Showing Red-Lined Changes from Draft Circulated to ASAC on 11/3/14

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