

Board of Trustees of the University of Oregon Executive, Audit, and Governance Committee Meeting

March 17, 2025

Committee Membership

Marcia Aaron	Present	Elisa Hornecker	Present
Renee Evans Jackman	Present	Connie Seeley	Present
Steve Holwerda, Chair	Present	Andy Storment	Present

Convening. The Executive, Audit, and Governance Committee (EAGC) of the Board of Trustees of the University of Oregon (Board) met on the Eugene campus March 17, 2025. Committee Chair Steve Holwerda called the meeting to order at 10:16 a.m. Pacific Time. (All times noted going forward are Pacific Time.) The secretary verified attendance and a quorum.

Internal Audit Strategic Plan Update. Anta Coulibaly, Chief Auditor, presented the Office of Internal Audit's strategic plan for 2025-2027. Coulibaly discussed the Office's mission is to deliver objective, independent, and risk-based assurance and advisory services that help the University of Oregon (UO) operate efficiently, maintain integrity, and meet regulatory and strategic objectives. Key actions and objectives over the next few years will be professional development, mentorship, succession planning, reliance on technology, revised audit methodology, cross-departmental partnerships, knowledge sharing, and alignment with institutional goals. Trustees engaged in discussion on but not limited to ensuring retention of newly hired auditors and Coulibaly's reporting to the Board Chair on a quarterly basis.

Summary of Audit Plan Activities. Anta Coulibaly, Chief Auditor, presented on planned audit projects for FY 25-26. Coulibaly discussed audit plans for identity and access management, post-award processes in research and innovation, travel expenditures, and university health services, including focus areas, early observations, and next steps for each planned audit. Trustees engaged in discussion on but not limited to the UO's close-out process of research grants and data accessibility across university departments.

Hotline Report. Anta Coulibaly, Chief Auditor, presented on an anonymous tip line, known as the UO Hotline, where concerns can be reported. Coulibaly outlined how tips are investigated and provided contextual data on the types of tips that are reported, including different categories such as conflict of interest, athletics, fraud, waste and abuse, health and safety, and information services. Trustees engaged in discussion on but not limited to the number of cases that are substantiated versus unsubstantiated, how data is shared between different systems, and resources available for audits.

Coulibaly concluded by introducing two new hires within her office, Wei Keat Lui, Audit Manager, and Maryann Mwai, IT Auditor.

Adjournment. The meeting was adjourned at 11:06 a.m.