Board of Trustees of the University of Oregon  
Seconded Motion: Authorization for Certain Lease Agreements (KWAX Tower Leases)

WHEREAS, KWAX public broadcasting radio station has operated underneath university oversight and management since it began as a student run radio station in the 1960’s;

WHEREAS, KWAX provides high quality classical music across the state of Oregon as well as across the world, and is supported entirely by donations, underwriting, and grants;

WHEREAS, KWAX, as a public broadcasting radio station, must comply with Federal Communications Commissions (FCC) and provides additional public service transmitting public service announcements including emergency alert notifications for those localized areas;

WHEREAS, KWAX transmits from 12 locations across Oregon and online, each of which requires either digital or analog equipment to be installed on a 3rd party owned tower located on designated mountain tops across Oregon;

WHEREAS, the university wishes to renew lease agreements necessary to keep equipment on 3rd party installations and maintain operations, and such agreements extend beyond 20 years;

WHEREAS, university policy on retention and delegation of authority 3.8.8 requires board approval on leases and licenses for real property and modifications of up to 20 years.

WHEREAS, the Finance and Facilities Committee has referred this matter to the full Board of Trustees as a seconded motion, recommending adoption;

NOW, THEREFORE, the Board of Trustees of the University of Oregon hereby authorizes the President or their designees to execute lease agreements necessary to maintain KWAX operations, with cumulative value not to exceed $350,000.

Moved: Boyle Seconded: Aaron

VOTE: Voice Vote Recorded – Ayes carried (no dissention).

DATE: September 16, 2022

Recorded by the University Secretary: 

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