Board of Trustees of the University of Oregon

Seconded Motion: Program Approval – BS in Cybersecurity

WHEREAS, the University of Oregon (University) benefits from a cross-section of high quality, well-designed academic degree programs;

WHEREAS, the Computer Science Department within the College of Arts and Sciences is seeking approval of a new Bachelor of Science degree in Cybersecurity, focused on preparing students in the high demand field of cybersecurity;

WHEREAS, the program leverages UO’s signature strength in computer science and is aligned with the mission of the University of Oregon in its aim to produce career-ready graduates with a liberal arts education coupled with discipline-focused training grounded in current research and experiential learning;

WHEREAS, the state of Oregon is pursuing the establishment of a Cybersecurity Center of Excellence to combat the rise in cybersecurity and data breach crimes;

WHEREAS, the university seeks to partner with the state to enhance Oregon’s capacity in educating and producing capable workforce in the much-needed cybersecurity area;

WHEREAS, the program has been approved by relevant departments, the College of Arts and Sciences, relevant academic committees, and the University Senate;

WHEREAS, the Board of Trustees’ approval is required before the program can be considered by the Higher Education Coordinating Commission;

WHEREAS, the Academic and Student Affairs 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 approves the Bachelor of Science in Cybersecurity as proposed in associated materials.

Moved: Kari Seconded: Hornecker

VOTE: Voice Vote Recorded—Ayes carried (no dissention)

Dated: March 14, 2023 Recorded: 