

MINUTES  
Board of Regents  
April 8, 2016

The Board of Regents of Washington State University (WSU) held a special meeting pursuant to call in Open Meeting at 1:30 p.m., on Friday, April 8, 2016. The meeting was held on the WSU Pullman campus in Lighty Student Services Building, Room 405.

**I. Call to Order.** Regent Ryan Durkan, Chair called the special meeting to order. She welcomed everyone to the meeting and said the purpose of the meeting was for the Regents to hold a discussion and vote on the presidential employment contract and delegation of authority. Chair Durkan also said that although the agenda set aside time for an executive session, it was determined that no executive session would be needed. Chair Durkan informed the audience that with the exception of Regent VanderMeulen who was participating in person from Pullman, the Regents would be participating in the meeting by telephone conference call. Chair Durkan noted that in addition legal counsel was present in Pullman. Chair Durkan reminded the audience that there would be a public comment period during the meeting and that the public comment period would be after the regular agenda items and would be for up to 10 minutes. She instructed anyone wishing to make public comment to sign up with the Board's assistant, Desiree. Chair Durkan then instructed Desiree to take a roll call.

**II. Roll Call.** Present: Regent Ryan Durkan, Chair; Regents Don Barbieri, Ted Baseler, Scott Carson, Harold Cochran, Laura Jennings, Lura Powell, Ron Sims, and Mike Worthy.

Also Present in Pullman: Regent Jansen VanderMeulen, Interim President Dan Bernardo, Senior Assistant Attorney General Danielle Hess, Legal Affairs Associate Christine Hoyt, and Executive Assistant to the Board of Regents Desiree Jacobsen.

**III. Report from the Chair.** Chair Durkan reported that the Board would now proceed with the Action Items.

**IV. Executive Session:** No executive session was called.

**V. Action Item: Discussion and Vote on Presidential Contract**

Chair Durkan reported that at the March, 2016 meeting, Dr. Kirk Schulz was conditionally offered the presidency of Washington State University, subject to negotiation of the contract and formal approval of his appointment and contract terms by the Regents in open session. She said authority was also delegated to the Chair to negotiate the terms of employment with Dr. Schulz.

Chair Durkan reported the proposed contract would have an effective date of June 13, 2016, with a five-year term, a base salary of \$625,000, and \$25,000 per year of retention

pay. She said the full terms were set forth in the proposed contract, which was provided to the Regents prior to the meeting and will be made part the record.

Chair Durkan asked if the Regents would like any discussion before a motion was made. With no further discussion Chair Durkan noted for the record that Regent VanderMeulen had recused himself from voting as he is required to do by law.

Chair Durkan moved that the Regents formally appoint Dr. Schulz as president of Washington State University effective June 13, 2016, and approve his employment contract with the terms as discussed so that it can be finalized and executed as soon as possible. The motions was seconded by Regent Carson. Chair Durkan asked the Board's assistant, Desiree to proceed with a roll call vote. With the exception of Regent VanderMeulen who abstained, all Regents voted in favor of the motion and the motion carried.

**VI. Action Item: Delegation of Authority**

Chair Durkan reported the next Action Item was Resolution #160407-522 delegating authority to President Schulz or his designee to act on behalf of the Board of Regents in matters relating to the administration and governance of the University. Chair Durkan called for Board discussion. Hearing no discussion Chair Durkan noted for the record that the resolution was being brought forward as an Action Item rather than a Future Action Item in accordance with Board of Regents Bylaw II.21.B and moved that the Regents adopt Resolution #160407-522 delegating authority to President Schulz or his designee. Specifically, the Resolution continues all prior delegations of authority to the University President, or his designees, to act in matters relating to the general business and financial affairs, academic affairs, organization, and management of Washington State University and, effective June 13, 2016, specifically confers these delegations of authority on President Kirk H. Schulz or his designee. The motion was seconded and carried.

**VII. Public Comment.** No public comment.

**VIII. Adjourn.** The meeting adjourned at 1:39 p.m.

Approved by the Board of Regents at its meeting held May 6, 2016, on the WSU Pullman Campus, at the Compton Union Building, Room 204.

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Chair, Board of Regents

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Secretary, Board of Regents