

**OGDEN-WEBER TECHNICAL COLLEGE
BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETING**

April 25, 2024
Student Services Building
Harold W Ritchey Board Room
4:00 p.m.

MINUTES

MEMBERS PRESENT

Nancy Blair	Ogden School District Board of Education
Kori Ann Edwards, Chair	Business/Industry
William Shafer, Vice Chair	Business/Industry
Cori Anderson	Business/Industry
Lori Belnap Pherson (Zoom)	Business/Industry
Christine Jacobson-Ware	Business/Industry
Jan Burrell	Weber School District Board of Education
Paul Widdison	Business/Industry
Cameron Cook (Zoom)	Business/Industry
Sara Toliver (Zoom)	Business/Industry

MEMBERS EXCUSED

Cameron Cook	Business/Industry
Slade Opheikens	Business/Industry

EX-OFFICIO MEMBERS

James R. Taggart	Ogden-Weber Technical College
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GUESTS

Commissioner Landward	Commissioner USHE
Chad Burchell	Ogden-Weber Technical College
Tyler Call	Ogden-Weber Technical College
Johna Howard	Ogden-Weber Technical College
Maria Milligan	Ogden-Weber Technical College
Eric Petersen	Assistant Attorney General
Anita Ruiz	Recording Secretary

The Board of Trustees of the Ogden-Weber Technical College met on Thursday, April 25, 2024, at 4:00 p.m. in the C. Brent Wallis Student Services Building, Harold W. Ritchey Board Room. A Zoom option was provided for members and guests who could not attend in person.

1. STATE SKILL USA AWARD WINNERS

Carlos Orellana, Program Director introduced the Sate Skills USA award winners and participants. Each guest shared their experience attending the competition.

David Anderson, Technical Drafting – 2nd Place
Logan Duncan, Technical Drafting – 3rd Place
William Rodriguez, Automotive Service Technology
Efrain Cardenas, Welding Fabrication
Hayden Hull, Welding Fabrication
Karen Pickett, Welding Sculpture

President Taggart thanked the faculty and the students for what they do and the time that they give.

2. INTRODUCTION OF NEW BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEMBER - SARA TOLIVER

Ms. Edwards introduced Sara Toliver as the newest member of the Board of Trustees. She shared the following about Ms. Toliver:

Sara is the President/CEO of Visit Ogden and has critical ties to the tourism, hospitality, dining, recreation, events, and lodging businesses in our community. These businesses have key ties with multiple programs at the college.

Ms. Toliver also has strong connections with community and state leaders having served as the chair of the Ogden-Weber Chamber of Commerce's Legislative Affairs Committee, and the Northern Utah Chamber Coalition. She is a past recipient of the chamber's Athena Award and was inducted into the Utah Tourism Hall of Fame in 2021.

Ms. Toliver will be an outstanding addition to the Ogden-Weber Technical College Board of Trustees.

3. APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES OF MEETING HELD FEBRUARY 22, 2024

A motion to approve the minutes of the meeting held February 22, 2024, was made by: Christine Jacobson – Ware, seconded by Paul Widdison and carried unanimously.

4. APPROVAL OF FY24 BUDGET MODIFICATIONS

Vice President Call reviewed the FY24 Budget and changes that were made. A summary of changes are below:

- Federal Grants and Contracts revenue will decrease by \$20,026.00.
- Sales and Services of Educational Departments revenue will increase by \$ 174,264.00.
- Auxiliary Enterprise revenue will increase by \$150,000.00.
- Other Operating Revenue will increase by \$2,000.00.

Operating Expenses

- The cost of goods sold will increase by \$311,800.00.
- Salaries will decrease by \$187,034.00.
- General expenses will increase by \$604,095.00.
- Travel will decrease by \$100,235.00.

Non-Operating Revenues

- State Appropriations will decrease by \$128,000.
- Federal Grants will increase by \$256,000.
- State Grants will increase by \$237,986.
- Investment Income will increase by \$369,000.
- Capital expenditure will increase by \$22,000.

A motion to approve the FY Budget Modifications was made by Nancy Blair. Seconded by Cori Anderson and carried unanimously.

5. APPROVAL TO SUNSET POLICY – CERTIFICATE CHANGES

Ms. Milligan shared that changes to college structure have occurred in recent years and the processes are inaccurate. The team determined that sunsetting this policy will improve consistency and allow for flexibility to address future changes.

A motion to approve sunsetting of the certificate changes policy was made by Lori Belnap Pehrson. Seconded by Christine Jacobson – Ware and carried unanimously.

6. COE ANNUAL REPORT - STUDENT OUTCOMES

Mr. Burchell shared the following for the COE Annual Report:

The college completed and submitted the 2023 COE Annual Report on March 13, 2024. This annual report attests to COE, the college is meeting all standards and criteria for accreditation as well as reports our student outcomes in completion, placement, and licensure for 2023. The standards for each program in student outcomes are 60% completion, 70% placement, and 70% licensure. The 2023 Annual report affirms the college is compliant with all standards and criteria and all programs are meeting the student outcomes except for Electrical Trades Preparation in the completion section. The college and program have submitted an improvement plan to COE and expect this program will meet this benchmark in 2024.

The college has been accredited by COE since 2005. COE is recognized by the U.S. Department of Education as the premier accrediting body for technical education. Institutional accreditation demonstrates that the college is meeting the highest national standards. In addition to validating instructional quality and student outcomes, it allows the college to participate in federal financial aid programs including Pell Grants. Institutional accreditation permits Ogden-Weber Tech students to transfer their course credits to other accredited colleges and universities. This is a key component of our stackable credentials and degree pathway partnerships.

The colleges outcomes for 2023 were:

Completion - 75% of our students completed their programs.

Placement – 99% of our students are placed.

Licensure – 99% licensure rate

7. SUMMER BRIDGE SCHOLARSHIP

Johna Howard shared information on our Summer Bridge Scholarship. The scholarship is used to bridge the gap by inviting all graduating seniors to use the scholarship to launch into a program at the college.

We are excited and see the impact that this has in the community.

8. WEBER STATE UNIVERSITY AND SNOW COLLEGE DEGREE PATHWAYS UPDATE

President Taggart shared highlights on the partnership with WSU and Snow College.

- We are working with WSU to increase the student experience moving from one place to another.
- Our mission is that students complete our programs and complete a certificate.
- OTECH and DATC will be able to enter the three courses at WSU and enroll at \$95 per credit hour with just as much as they pay here, this is a savings of \$2045 in tuition these courses are transferrable to any USHE institution.

Snow College –

President McIlff, President of Snow College has shared with us that Tech college students can get an associate of science transferrable degree. Any tech college student can complete a technical certificate and get credit towards the degree.

Snow College is highly successful in what they do. The fastest way to complete a snow college bachelor's degree is through a technical college certificate.

We will continue to report on the outcomes of this process.

Partners in Education –

President Taggart also shared that we awarded the technical education award of excellence and the Partners in Education awards to Gage Froerer. He received the Matt Wardle scholarship, and he can give this to anyone of his choice. Mr. Froerer was thrilled to give the scholarship to someone.

9 INFORMATION ITEMS

Kori Ann Edwards invited board members to review the information items and if there is additional information that anyone would like please let President Taggart know.

10. *Executive Session: The board may elect to go into closed session which will not be open to the public, pursuant to Utah Code Title 52, Chapter 4, sections 204, 205, and 206.*

11. OPEN DISCUSSION

Commissioner Landward shared that he does like to attend board meetings to see what challenges each college is facing. He is still learning and wants to help. He values the relationships that he has with Ogden-Weber Technical College and President Taggart. President Taggart is very fair and his opinion and insights to the system are valuable.

There were no further discussion items or questions from board members.

12. NEXT MEETING

The Board of Trustees is scheduled to meet on Thursday, June 27, 2024, at 4:00 p.m. in the C. Brent Wallis Student Services Building, Harold W Ritchey Board Room.

13. ADJOURN

Meeting adjourned at 5:30 p.m.