

**Western Washington University
Board of Trustees
Special Meeting Minutes
Monday, November 1, 2021**

1. CALL TO ORDER

Board Chair, Trustee John Meyer called the special meeting of the Board of Trustees of Western Washington University to order at 8:37 a.m., via Zoom. A quorum was established by roll call.

Board of Trustees

John M. Meyer, Board Chair – *via Zoom*
Chase Franklin, Vice Chair – *via Zoom*
Faith Pettis – *via Zoom*
Nate Jo – *via Zoom*
Karen Lee – *via Zoom*
Mo West – *via Zoom*
Sue Sharpe – *via Zoom*

Western Washington University

Sabah Randhawa, President
Brent Carbajal, Provost/Vice President for Academic Affairs
Joyce Lopes, Vice President for Business and Financial Affairs
Melynda Huskey, Vice President for Enrollment and Student Services
Brian Burton, Associate Vice President, Academic Affairs
Shirin Deylami, Faculty Senate, President
Melissa Nelson, Assistant Attorney General
Brad Johnson, Dean, College of Science and Engineering
Paul Dunn, Chief of Staff and Secretary to the Board of Trustees
Rayne Rambo, Assistant Secretary to the Board of Trustees

**2. CONSIDERATION OF COLLECTIVE BARGAINING AGREEMENT BETWEEN
WESTERN WASHINGTON UNIVERSITY AND UNITED FACULTY OF WESTERN
WASHINGTON**

President Randhawa was joined by Theresa Warburton, President of the United Faculty of Western Washington (UFWW), Matt Roelofs, UFWW Bargaining Chair, and Rod Younker, Labor and Employment Attorney, Summit Law Group, who provided an overview of the of the Collective Bargaining Agreement negotiating process that began in April 2021. Randhawa noted and thanked everyone involved in the bargaining process that was considerably lengthened due to the COVID-19 pandemic. He reported that the members of the UFWW and Western Washington University reached an agreement the UFWW members had ratified, and they were now seeking the approval of the Board of Trustees.

The Trustees thanked everyone and commended the effort and commitment of everyone involved with the bargaining process. Trustee Sharpe noted that the format of the UFWW/WWU contract differed from similar contracts at other state institutions, which she thought were models of clarity and transparency. She suggested that the administration ensure that a similar format is used for the next contract.

MOTION 11-01-2021

Trustee West moved, on the recommendation of the President, that the Board of Trustees hereby approves the proposed collective bargaining agreement with the United Faculty of Western Washington.

The Board of Trustees authorizes the President or his designee to execute the agreement on behalf of the Board effective November 1, 2021, in keeping with the reserved authority in the Board of Trustees Rules of Operation, Section 2.3(h).

The motion passed.

3. EXECUTIVE SESSION

At 9:03 a.m. the board went into Executive Session for approximately fifteen minutes to discuss personnel matters as authorized by RCW 42.30.110. No action was taken in executive session.

Chair Meyer announced the board would go back into open session at 9:30 a.m.

4. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting returned to open session at 9:30 and adjourned at 9:31 a.m.