



**WESTERN WASHINGTON UNIVERSITY
BOARD OF TRUSTEES
ADVISORY COMMITTEE ON SOCIALLY RESPONSIBLE INVESTING
MEETING SUMMARY
THURSDAY, DECEMBER 3, 2024**

Meeting 1. The ACSRI committee members participated in a wide-ranging discussion that included the role of the advisory committee, terms for future definition, scope of responsibility, and the information and further education needed to develop a policy on socially responsible investing (SRI). Ultimately the committee will propose the Western Washington University SRI policy to the Board of Trustees for approval and adoption. At that point, the role of the ACSRI will be to uphold the policy through the review and recommendation of proposals identifying specific investment securities.

Committee discussion aimed to clarify the committee's role. Topics included the Ethical Procurement Committee and how/if the ACSRI's work relates, transparency in reporting university and Foundation investments, and comprehensive and human readable summary of said investments on the ACSRI website. The committee discussed and reaffirmed as per its charter that the ACSRI policy will be limited to financial securities held as investments by the university and the Foundation. Members agree that the ACSRI charter does not provide direction or authority to opine on donor profiles or partnerships between the university and 3rd parties of any kind. The committee also noted that WWU exists within a broader landscape but is uniquely situated to address SRI through its own unique lens.

Assignments to ex-officio members were made to prepare presentations that respond to the questions raised at the first committee meeting. The committee will meet again on January 13 to hear background presentations and discuss the principles that will frame the recommended policy.