

**Western Washington University  
Board of Trustees  
Meeting Minutes  
Thursday, April 1, 2021**

**1. CALL TO ORDER**

Board Chair, Trustee John M. Meyer called the regular meeting of the Board of Trustees of Western Washington University to order at 3:01 p.m., via Zoom. A quorum was established by roll call.

**Board of Trustees**

John M Meyer, Chair – *via Zoom*  
Chase Franklin, Vice Chair – *via Zoom*  
Bruce Harrell - *via Zoom*  
Karen Lee – *via Zoom*  
Faith Pettis – *via Zoom*  
Sue Sharpe, Secretary– *via Zoom*  
Hunter Stuehm – *via Zoom*  
Mo West – *via Zoom*

**Western Washington University**

Sabah Randhawa, President  
Brent Carbajal, Provost/Vice President for Academic Affairs  
Richard Van Den Hul, Vice President for Business and Financial Affairs  
Stephanie Bowers, Vice President for Advancement  
Melynda Huskey, Vice President for Enrollment and Student Services  
Donna Gibbs, Vice President for University Relations and Marketing  
Becca Kenna-Schenk, Executive Director, Government Relations  
Jeff Young, Faculty Senate President  
Melissa Nelson, Assistant Attorney General  
Paul Cocke, Director, Communication and Marketing  
Paul Dunn, Chief of Staff to the President and Secretary to the Board of Trustees  
Barbara Sandoval, Senior Executive Assistant to the President  
Rayne Rambo, Assistant Secretary to the Board of Trustees

**2. INCREASING WASHINGTON IMPACT: WESTERN'S COMMUNITY-SERVING CENTERS AND INSTITUTES**

Brent Carbajal, Provost Brent Carbajal, Provost and Vice President for Academic Affairs introduced, Hart Hodges, Associate Professor, Economics, Co-Director, Center for Economics and Business Research (CEBR), James McCafferty, Co-Director, Center for Economics and Business Research, C.J. Seitz, Director, Small Business Development Center (SBDC), Devyani Chandran, Director, Palliative Care Institute, and Ginny Broadhurst, Director, Salish Sea Institute who each provided an overview of the Institutes they direct and manage at Western.

The session began with leaders from a selection of Western's Centers and Institutes providing a glimpse into their important contributions to the university's outreach and service mission, and the opportunities they provide for Western to connect with public and private entities. The ensuing conversation noted that ways in which these areas help expand

Western's presence in the region and provide direct feedback on community needs and challenges. During the course of the conversation it was noted that the Centers and Institutes provide a connection between faculty expertise and research to address important regional work force issues, providing opportunities to grow the graduate education enterprise.