

WASHBURN UNIVERSITY OF TOPEKA
BOARD OF REGENTS
MINUTES
July 6, 2023

I. Call to Order

Chairperson Buhler called the telephone meeting to order at 2:02 p.m. in the Jones Trust Conference Room of Morgan Hall on the Washburn University campus.

Present by phone were: Mr. Dicus, Mr. Fisher, Mr. Hulse, Mr. Romero, and Ms. Sourk. Ms. Buhler was present in person.

II. Board of Regents Committee Assignments

Chair Buhler welcomed Regent Jake Fisher to the Board of Regents.

Ms. Buhler noted the new Committee assignments are listed in the agenda packet. The changes were adding Regent Fisher to the Audit committee, moved Regent Nave to the Nominating committee and noted that President Mazachek, as stated in our By-Laws, is an ex-officio member on all committees, as well as the Chair.

No assignments were made to the Presidential Assessment committee. The Board will re-visit with the By-Laws at a later date.

Motion by Regent Romero and second by Regent Dicus to approve the committee assignments. Motion passed.

III. Update on School of Law Building

Dr. Mazachek shared it is an honor today to announce the naming of the newest building on campus, the School of Law, after one of its most decorated alumni, Senator Robert J. Dole. The University considers naming of a building to be among the highest honors that they can bestow. This recognition is reserved for those individuals who have made exceptional contributions to Washburn, such as exemplary personal and/or professional contributions, meritorious service, or substantial financial commitments.

Former Senator Dole holds an undergraduate and law degree as well as two honorary Doctor of Law degrees from Washburn. He is a lifelong Kansan and is known for his leadership and tremendous commitment to our state. In 2018, Dole was honored with the Congressional Gold Medal, Congress' highest civilian honor.

President Mazachek recommends the Board approve of naming the newest building on Washburn University campus, at the corner of 21st and Washburn, as Robert J. Dole Hall.

Motion by Regent Hulse and second by Regent Fisher to approve the recommendation. Motion passed.

IV. Adjournment

Chair Buhler reminded the Board of the School of Law activities on July 20 and July 21, as well as the Board Retreat on July 26 and July 27.

Motion by Regent Dicus and second by Regent Romero to adjourn the meeting. Motion passed.

The meeting adjourned at 2:12pm.

Cynthia Holthaus
Assistant Secretary, Board of Regents