

Board of Trustees Report to the Faculty Senate

October meeting, 2018



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Reminder

I'm the Faculty Member on the OSU Board of Trustees

I work at keeping up on this stuff so you don't have to

I don't speak for the Board



Rani Borkar, Board Chair

<http://leadership.oregonstate.edu/trustees>

The October meetings were held in the new OSU facility in Portland



Board Retreat Issues

- How can OSU keep up with new types of learners and new ways of learning?
- Who is “Gen-Z”? More entrepreneurial, want more “applicable” courses, don’t want learning to be place-specific, want missions not majors, want a “playlist” of experiences, want to solve social issues
- OMG, who is “Gen-Alpha”? Under age 8, they will train for jobs that don’t exist yet. How does OSU get ready for them?
- Legislature “cares” about in-state vs. out-of-state issues
- Presentation by Pharmacy students: there are student-run clinics in Portland (check-ups, health screening) – who knew?

Board Meeting Issues

- New housing unit

Studio apartments, not
dorm rooms

Impacts costs and
marketability



- Changes in costs for OSU capital projects – construction costs are increasing quickly
- Change in Board approval for capital cost increases: triggered by \$5M or 10%, whichever is less
- Lots of discussion concerning Financial Aid policy
Early-action on financial aid impacts enrollment
85% of last year's incoming freshmen received some sort of aid

Some Quick Status Items from the Board Meeting

- ASOSU registered over 3,100 students to vote!
- Biennial Funding Request: additional \$14.4M just for CSL – Jock Mills
- SP 4.0 – Ed Feser and Susan Capalbo (20 actions, each with its own tactics)
- Advancing Equity, Inclusion, and Social Justice – Charlene Alexander (“We Have Work To Do”)
- OSU Foundation – Jon DeVaan – raised \$151M this past year)

Thanks!

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