

WASHBURN UNIVERSITY BOARD OF REGENTS
Audit Committee Meeting
September 26, 2018

Regents Present: Bill Sneed, (committee chair), Terry Beck (committee member), Jim Klausman (committee member), Jennifer Sourk (committee member), Helen VanEtten (committee member), Paul Hoferer (committee member), John McGivern, Blanche Parks

Regent Sneed called the meeting to order at 3:00 p.m.

Minutes of the December 13, 2017 meeting were approved as distributed.

Vice President Jim Martin introduced Chester Moyer, who has been our Rubin Brown audit engagement partner since 2016, along with manager associate, Graham Ryan. Mr. Moyer leads the RubinBrown higher ed auditing team.

Mr. Moyer said this meeting is the formal kick-off to the audit planning process and they share the procedures with the Board to assure the regents are in agreement with the planning process.

Mr. Graham discussed the engagement timeline which began in mid-May with year-end fieldwork and will end with the draft presentation at the December committee meeting, along with the IRS Form 990 draft in February. The compliance-based audit focuses on the high-risk areas of tuition, fees, receivables, deferred revenue and federal financial aid, as well as the overall financial statement presentation.

Mr. Moyer noted the following significant accounting changes:

- Perkins Loan program has officially ended with no new loans awarded after October 2017.
- Effective 6-30-21 there will be new lease accounting standards that may impact Washburn.
- GASB 89, issued 6-30-18, will streamline accounting affecting construction projects.

Regent Sneed asked why the bonds show up on the audit risk analysis as moderate rather than high risk. Mr. Moyer indicated that the bond info will not show up on the financial statement until the 2019 fiscal year.

Chairman Sneed asked board members to contact the auditors with any questions or concerns they may have regarding the audit.

The meeting was adjourned at 3:15 p.m.