


June 28, 2017

TO: Members of the Board of Trustees

FROM: Scott A. Jordan 
Executive Vice President for Administration and Chief Financial Officer

RE: Proposed Statement of Work for the UConn Foundation for Fiscal Year 2018 and
Operational Changes at the UConn Law School Foundation

RECOMMENDATION:

The University administration recommends that the Board of Trustees approve the resolutions below authorizing the University to enter into a statement of work for Fiscal Year 2018 with The University of Connecticut Foundation, Incorporated (the "UConn Foundation").

The University administration also recommends that the Board of Trustees approve the resolutions below authorizing the University to collaborate with The University of Connecticut Law School Foundation, Inc. (the "Law School Foundation") and the UConn Foundation in coordinating an orderly transition of the Law School Foundation's operations to the UConn Foundation. The transition is expected to create operational efficiencies that will result in enhanced fundraising and deeper engagement among alumni of the Law School and the University in the years to come.

The transition will result in, among other things, the Law School Foundation transferring its endowment and related assets to the UConn Foundation, and the UConn Foundation will maintain and administer such funds and assets pursuant to any donor imposed use restrictions and the requirements of the University's Master Agreement with the UConn Foundation. The University will not be entering into a statement of work with the Law School Foundation for Fiscal Year 2018 as a result of this transition.

BACKGROUND:

The University has entered into separate Master Agreements with the UConn Foundation and the Law School Foundation in satisfaction of the requirements of Connecticut General Statutes § 4-37f(9). These agreements detail the University's relationship with each organization and set forth each organization's responsibilities for performing development, investment and other services in support of the University. The UConn Foundation and the Law School

Foundation are both private organizations, exempt from taxation under Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended, that operate exclusively to promote the educational, research, cultural, and recreational objectives of the University. The Law School Foundation specifically operates for the benefit of the University's School of Law.

The Master Agreements with the UConn Foundation and the Law School Foundation require, among other things, that the University enter into statements of work with each organization outlining specific goals and objectives and the financial consideration to be provided by the University. The current statements of work expire on June 30, 2017.

The Law School Foundation recently notified the University that, after thoughtful consideration and analysis, its board had chosen to dissolve and to transition the Law School Foundation's operations to the UConn Foundation. That transition is currently underway. The transition is expected to create operational efficiencies that will result in enhanced fundraising and deeper engagement among alumni of the Law School and the University in the years to come.

a. UConn Foundation Statement of Work for FY 18

The proposed statement of work with the UConn Foundation sets forth the fundraising, investment management, alumni relations activities and other related goals and objectives for Fiscal Year 2018. The goals and objectives established for next year include the following:

- A fundraising goal of \$85 million in new gifts and commitments for the University (including of support for the UConn Health Center);
- Continuation of enrollment management scholarship fundraising with focus on the \$150 million goal aimed at increasing scholarships for the University by June 30, 2021;
- Implementation of a comprehensive Grateful Patient program in Cancer and Cardio programs;
- Providing quality alumni programs and services that strengthen lifelong bonds between all members of the UConn family; and
- Planning and preparing a significant and concerted fundraising campaign for the benefit of the University. These activities will include determining a campaign model, identifying funding priorities, strengthening staffing and operational resources, among other initiatives. The University will contribute \$500,000 in Fiscal Year 2018 to the UConn Foundation to support these activities. The amount of funds to be raised, priorities to be funded, and the timing of the campaign will be mutually agreed upon by the University and the UConn Foundation.
- In accordance with the Statement of Work for Fiscal Year 2017, the University will also reimburse the UConn Foundation \$250,000 for additional costs incurred by the UConn Foundation to support planning and execution of this campaign during Fiscal Year 2017.

In consideration for the UConn Foundation's performance of these services during the next fiscal year, the University has agreed to pay the UConn Foundation \$8,065,000 for

development activities and related services and \$1,915,000 for alumni relations activities and services.

b. Transition Agreement with Law School Foundation

As a result of the Law School Foundation's decision to dissolve and transition its operations to the UConn Foundation, the University will not be entering into a statement of work with the Law School Foundation for Fiscal Year 2018. The University will instead collaborate with the Law School Foundation and the UConn Foundation in coordinating an orderly transition of the Law School Foundation's operations to the UConn Foundation. This collaboration is expected to be effected through appropriate agreements between and among the University, the UConn Foundation and the Law School Foundation.

The transition will result in, among other things, the Law School Foundation transferring its endowment and related assets to the UConn Foundation, and the UConn Foundation will maintain and administer such funds and assets pursuant to any donor imposed use restrictions and the requirements of the University's Master Agreement with the UConn Foundation.

RESOLUTION:

In furtherance of the foregoing, the University recommends the Board of Trustees of the University approve the following resolutions:

RESOLVED, that the University's President and administration are authorized to execute and deliver a statement of work for Fiscal Year 2018 with the UConn Foundation on the terms described above and such other terms as may be deemed advisable and in the best interest of the University by the University's President and administration; and

RESOLVED, that the University's President and administration are authorized to execute appropriate agreements between and among the University, the UConn Foundation and the Law School Foundation to effect an orderly transition of the Law School Foundation's operations to the UConn Foundation; and

RESOLVED, that the University's President and administration are hereby further authorized to execute, deliver and perform, in the name of and on behalf of the University, such certificates, instruments, documents and agreements as each of them may deem necessary, useful or required in furtherance of the foregoing resolutions.

Statement of Work FY18

This Statement of Work FY18 (this “SOW”), effective the 1st day of July, 2017, is made between UNIVERSITY OF CONNECTICUT (“University”), Connecticut’s land grant university, whose statutory authority is set forth in Chapter 185b of the Connecticut General Statutes, and THE UNIVERSITY OF CONNECTICUT FOUNDATION, INCORPORATED (“Foundation”), a Connecticut nonstock corporation that is exempt from taxation under 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended.

The University and the Foundation have entered into an Amended and Restated Master Agreement dated July 1, 2015 (the “Agreement”) under which the Foundation has responsibility for fundraising efforts for the benefit of the University, management of endowment funds designated to benefit the University and for performing alumni relations activities in support of the University.

The Agreement stipulates that the University and Foundation will from time to time, but in no event less frequently than once every five (5) years, enter into statements of work which outline the specific fundraising, investment management and alumni relations activities goals and objectives that the University and Foundation have agreed upon and the consideration to be provided to the Foundation each fiscal year. This SOW covers the period July 1, 2017 through June 30, 2018 (“Period”).

1. Payments

The University agreed to provide certain in-kind consideration to the Foundation for its services under the terms of the Agreement. In addition to agreeing to provide such in-kind consideration, the University further agrees to provide the following consideration to the Foundation for each year of the Period:

- a) Service Fee: The University will pay a guaranteed amount to the Foundation of \$8,065,000 during the Period for development activities and related services, which payments will be made quarterly in advance in equal installments during the Period. In addition, the University will pay to the Foundation an amount not to exceed \$1,915,000 for alumni relations activities and services.
- b) Other Fees: The University agrees that Foundation operations will also be funded by an annual endowment administrative fee, and a gift fee on contributions and earnings on non-endowed Foundation assets.
 - 1) The Foundation will assess and retain an endowment administrative fee, as reasonably determined by the Foundation, on all endowment assets (University and Foundation assets) invested by the Foundation. The Foundation’s endowment administrative fee is generally calculated annually on March 31st (“Calculation Date”) and presently equals two percent (2.0%) of the rolling prior twelve (12) quarter average unitized market value of the long-term pooled investment portfolio multiplied by the number of units held by each endowed fund. The Foundation, from time to time, may change the endowment administrative fee and will notify the University, in writing, of any changes to the endowment administrative fee made during the Period. The endowment administrative fee owing to the Foundation will be transferred to Foundation operating funds in four equal installments on the first day of each quarter following the Calculation Date (April 1st, July 1st, October 1st, and January 1st).
 - 2) The Foundation will assess and retain gift fees on all non-endowed gifts deposited in the Foundation, as reasonably determined by the Foundation. The Foundation’s gift fee for non-endowed gifts is presently five percent (5%) of the value of the gift as of the date of receipt. Twenty-five percent (25%) of any non-endowed gift fee (or 1.25%) may be transferred to Foundation operating accounts

supporting the school, college or unit supported by the fund to which the original gift was designated. The remaining seventy-five percent (75%) of any non-endowed gift fees (3.75%) is retained by the Foundation to support its operations. The Foundation, from time to time, may change the gift fees and will notify the University, in writing, of any changes to the gift fees made during the Period.

3) The Foundation will retain all investment earnings on non-endowed Foundation assets.

c) Use of Facilities: The University and the Foundation have entered into a separate Lease agreement dated effective October 22, 2015, which documents the terms and conditions for the Foundation's use of the Alumni Center, located at 2384 Alumni Drive.

2. Foundation Mission

The Foundation's mission statement is: Strengthening UConn One Relationship at a Time. The independent, not-for-profit, tax-exempt organization does this by operating exclusively to promote the educational, scientific, cultural, research and recreational objectives of the University of Connecticut. This is accomplished by providing quality programs and services for its alumni and supporters, and by serving as the primary fundraising vehicle for the University. The Foundation solicits, administers and invests private funds for the sole benefit of the University and its mission of pursuing excellence in teaching, research and public service.

3. Fundraising and Alumni Engagement Goals and Benchmarks

In consideration of the compensation provided to Foundation by the University under the terms of the Agreement and this SOW, the Foundation, consistent with its mission, agrees as follows:

The Foundation will continue its efforts to increase total private gift revenue toward an annual target of eighty-five million dollars (\$85M) in new gifts and commitments for the University (inclusive of support for the UConn Health Center), in the Period, such amount to be calculated in accordance with the Foundation's reasonably established gift counting policy, as amended from time to time. The annual strategies will include:

a) Increase donor engagement

- 1) Utilize the University President, Provost, Deans and Program Directors in strategic donor outreach at the six-figure level and above.
- 2) Utilize the UConn Foundation Board Work Group's – University, Health and Athletics – to support increased cultivation, solicitation and stewardship of major and principal gift prospects.
- 3) Increase commitments from the various boards' members - the UConn Board of Trustees, UConn Foundation Board of Directors, and the UConn Health Center Board of Directors - with the target of reaching the national university average of 14% in total annual commitments through board support.
- 4) Continue to focus on building customized engagement strategies for principal gift donors and prospects, understanding this group will have a disproportionate impact on the ability to reach and exceed goals.
- 5) Increase contact and deepen engagement of donors and prospects at the \$50K+ rated level through more efficient deployment of appropriate numbers of full time frontline fundraisers, effectively utilizing prospect research and screening data to drive activity.
- 6) Facilitate stronger collaboration in donor strategy working across the Foundation and the University, using prospect management meetings to review and discuss the status of top donor strategies and package comprehensive proposals. Engage deans and directors in strategy discussions and direct implementation of fundraising. Increase engagement of University President and Provost with key University stakeholders.

b) Align fundraising with University priorities

- 1) Continue enrollment management scholarship fundraising with increased focus on the \$150 million goal aimed at increasing scholarship support for the University by June 30, 2021. Use reasonable efforts to raise gifts and commitments for student support, including, but not limited to, scholarships, assistantships, fellowships, awards and prizes, that equal not less than fifteen percent of the total amount of all gifts and commitments raised during the Period.
- 2) Expand comprehensive Grateful Patient program, with an initial focus on Cancer and Cardio programs, supported by direct mail outreach and personalized follow up from staff.
- 3) Raise an additional \$11 million in commitments in the Period in order to complete fundraising required to initiate construction for soccer, softball and baseball projects.
- 4) Maintain an emphasis on endowment fundraising to improve on the current three-year average of \$25.2 million per year.
- 5) Support University, as well as School and College, fundraising priorities.

c) Increase alumni engagement

1. Strengthen lifelong bonds between all members of the UConn family by inspiring pride and providing quality programs and services which enhance the engagement of the diverse university community.
2. Create a means by which to measure alumni engagement and use the data that is generated to better define and focus outreach efforts.
3. Increase alumni gifts of time, talent, and treasure by creating meaningful opportunities for alumni to be engaged and involved on behalf of the University through, for example, local and regional networks, reunion programming and opportunities with new constituencies.
4. Develop an exemplary Alumni organization respected for its energy, expertise, effectiveness, and innovation.

d) Enhance external and internal communications

- 1) Help educate faculty and staff across the University community about the important role of cultivating and stewarding private support.
- 2) Continue to develop fundraising focused material related to strategic priorities of the University.
- 3) Coordinate communications to alumni and donors with the University.
- 4) Continue efforts to educate the legislature, and general public, regarding the important role the Foundation plays in providing support to the University.

e) Increase operational efficiencies

- 1) Continue implementation of a new fundraising model for the Annual Giving program.
- 2) Strengthen stewardship for donors at various levels, including \$1K or more annual donors, as well as lifetime donors of \$100K or more.
- 3) Increase Regional Development program outreach to strengthen engagement and support from alumni and other constituents nationally.
- 4) Retain staff and increase investment in staff training.

4. Investment Benchmarks

The Foundation in its discretion will establish appropriate investment benchmarks for assets invested for the benefit of the University, both those owned by the Foundation and those owned by the University. The

Foundation will provide to the University's President and Executive Vice President for Administration and Chief Financial Officer a summary report of its investment risk and return benchmarks during the Period. The Foundation will use reasonable efforts to maintain the following benchmarks during the Period:

- a) The target return on Foundation investments will be 6.25% plus inflation.
- b) The Foundation will limit to 12% the level of volatility on an annualized basis based on the Foundation's Board of Director's policy.
- c) The Foundation's target risk adjusted return measured by Sharpe ratio will be 1.0 or greater measured over rolling periods.

5. Campaign Support

In addition to pursuing fundraising, alumni engagement, and investment goals and benchmarks in accordance with paragraphs 2, 3 and 4 above, and after appropriate analysis and campaign readiness studies, the Foundation and the University have determined that in FY18 the Foundation will take reasonable and appropriate steps to plan and prepare for a significant and concerted fundraising effort for the benefit of the University ("Campaign"). It being understood and agreed by the parties that the amount of funds to be raised, the priorities to be funded, and the timing of such Campaign, is to be mutually agreed upon by the parties.

In FY18 the Foundation's planning and preparation for such Campaign is expected to include, without limitation, the following activities:

- a) Determining a Campaign model (e.g., initiative based campaigns, singular campaign, other).
- b) Creating a Campaign statement and identifying priorities to be funded.
- c) Analyzing constituent data in support of targeting the amount of funds to be raised in the Campaign.
- d) Aligning Foundation staffing and technological resources toward a personalized constituent acquisition and engagement program for the Campaign.
- e) Reviewing and strengthening staffing, operations, technology, and pipeline development in Principal Gifts, Major Gifts, Regional Giving, and Grateful Patient programs to support the Campaign.
- f) Implementing a comprehensive enterprise content management system to support Foundation Campaign operations.

The University agrees a comprehensive fundraising campaign is appropriate and in its best interests. Therefore, in consideration of the foregoing, the University agrees to provide additional consideration to the Foundation upon execution of this SOW to support such Campaign planning and preparation. During the Period, such support will total \$500,000 and will be provided to the Foundation in the first quarterly installment payment. In accordance with the Statement of Work for Fiscal Year 2017, the University will also reimburse the Foundation \$250,000 in the Period for additional costs incurred by the Foundation to support planning and execution of the Campaign during such fiscal year.

6. State Contract Requirements

The state contracting requirements set forth in Section 10 of the Agreement are incorporated herein by reference, to the extent necessary.

7. Amendment

This SOW may be modified or amended in whole or in part by mutual written agreement signed by duly authorized representatives of each of the parties.

8. Governing Law

This SOW is governed by the laws of the State of Connecticut. If there shall be any inconsistency between the provisions of this SOW and the Agreement, the provisions of the Agreement shall control.

FOR THE UNIVERSITY OF CONNECTICUT

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