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of the
Oklahoma State Regents for Higher Education
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1. **ANNOUNCEMENT OF FILING OF MEETING NOTICE AND POSTING OF THE AGENDA IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE OPEN MEETING ACT.** The Oklahoma State Regents for Higher Education held a special meeting at 9:21 a.m. on Thursday, December 7, 2017, in the State Regents' Conference Room at the State Regents' offices in Oklahoma City, Oklahoma. Notice of the meeting had been filed with the Secretary of State on November 28, 2017. A copy of the agenda for the meeting had been posted in accordance with the Open Meeting Act.
2. **CALL TO ORDER.** Chairman Ron White called the meeting to order and presided until 11:04 a.m. when he left the meeting. Regent Jay Helm presided for the remainder of the meeting. Present for the meeting were State Regents Ron White, Jay Helm, Jody Parker, Ann Holloway, Andy Lester, Jeff Hickman, and John Massey.
3. **MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETINGS.** Regent Parker made a motion, seconded by Regent Lester, to approve the minutes of the State Regents' regular meeting on October 19, 2017. Voting for the motion were Regent Helm, Parker, Holloway, Lester, Hickman, Massey and White. Voting against the motion were none.
4. **REPORT OF THE CHAIRMAN.** Chairman White stated that the Task Force on the Future of Higher Education recommendations were presented to the Task Force on December 6, 2017 and stated that the subcommittees have done extraordinary work. He thanked the members of the Task Force and noted that the recommendations will be submitted to the legislature in spring 2018.

5. REPORT OF THE CHANCELLOR. Chancellor Glen D. Johnson provided Regents with a summary of engagements that he attended on behalf of the State Regents and distributed two articles from *The Oklahoman* and *The Journal Record* detailing the approval of Task Force recommendations presented to the full Task Force on Wednesday, December 6, 2017. He also announced that former State Regent Marlin “Ike” Glass was recently inducted into the Oklahoma Higher Education Hall of Fame.

6. STUDENTS.

a. Ms. Christine Murrain, a student at the University of Oklahoma (OU), spoke about her higher education experience. Ms. Murrain stated that she is a junior at OU studying Journalism and received a full scholarship. She is Chair of the Speakers Bureau and Ambassador for the Gaylord College of Journalism and Mass Communication. She stated that she has studied abroad in Italy and London and is a member of Sooners on the Road, traveling to Nashville and Chicago meeting OU alumni. She thanked the Regents for the opportunity to share her story.

b. Ms. Alexis Avery, a student at the University of Science and Arts of Oklahoma (USAO), spoke about her higher education experience. Ms. Avery stated that she graduated from Purcell High School and is pursuing a liberal arts degree at USAO. She has been a volunteer for the annual Festival of Lights in Chickasha and is also a member of the USAO Leadership Academy. She finished by stating that she is a member of the USAO cross country team and also works at the Neill-Wint Center for Neurodiversity with Director Cathy Perri.

7. OKLAHOMA CAMPUS COMPACT. Ms. Debbie Terlip, Executive Director of Oklahoma Campus Compact, presented the winners of the 2017 Oklahoma Campus Compact Annual Voter Registration Contest. The 2017 contest winners were Eastern Oklahoma State College and runner-up Western Oklahoma State College for the Democracy category, Langston University and runner-up Rogers State University for the Liberty category, East Central University and

Southwestern Oklahoma State University tied for first place in the Equality category, and the University of Central Oklahoma and runner-up the University of Oklahoma for the Independence category. The University of Oklahoma also won the Stars award for registering the most out-of-state students and Eastern Oklahoma State College won the Stripes award for registering the highest proportion of out-of-state students. Representatives from these institutions were in attendance to receive their award.

8. FACULTY ADVISORY COUNCIL

- a. Regents received the 2017 Annual Faculty Advisory Report. Dr. Debra Stuart, Vice Chancellor for Educational Partnerships, introduced Dr. Patsy Smith to discuss the Faculty Advisory Council (FAC) work plan. Dr. Smith highlighted diversity on campus, sustainability in higher education, veteran student services, student preparedness and communication among faculty.
- b. Regents recognized FAC members who completed their terms of service. Regents also recognized newly elected FAC members, who are elected by the Faculty Assembly to represent faculty from both independent and State System institutions.

Regent Lester made a motion, seconded by Regent Holloway to accept the 2016 Annual Faculty Advisory Report and recognize FAC members. Voting for the motion were Regent Parker, Holloway, Lester, Hickman, Massey, White and Helm. Voting against the motion were none.

9. E&G BUDGET NEEDS.

- a. Chancellor Johnson presented the State System of Higher Education's budget needs for FY2019, recommending a \$128.3 million (16.6 percent) increase in funding for a total amount of \$901.9 million. Chancellor Johnson also highlighted the areas this funding request would support: degree completion, scholarship restoration, shared services and concurrent enrollment.
- b. Deleted Item.

10. PUBLIC AGENDA. Chancellor Johnson presented the 2018 Public Agenda. The 2018 Public

Agenda outlines the goals of the Oklahoma State Regents for Higher Education, which includes implementing CCA initiatives, increasing system wide efficiencies and cost savings, strengthening financial support for students, and improving instructional quality.

11. **LEGISLATIVE AGENDA.** Chancellor Johnson presented the State Regents' 2018 Legislative Agenda. The 2018 Legislative Agenda sets the issues of interest to the Oklahoma State System of Higher Education that may be brought before the Legislature during the 2018 legislative session. The issues outlined in the Legislative Agenda for 2018 are the Task Force on the Future of Higher Education, the Complete College America initiative, concurrent enrollment, maintaining the current law with regard to weapons on campus, and protecting the Oklahoma's Promise program.

Regent Parker made a motion, seconded by Regent Lester, to approve the appropriations request for FY2019 in the amount of \$901.9 million; the 2018 Public Agenda; and the 2018 Legislative Agenda. Voting for the motion were Regent Holloway, Lester, Hickman, Massey, White, Helm Parker. Voting against the motion were none.

12. **COMMENTS FROM THE PRESIDENTS.** State Regents heard comments from President Jerry Steward, current chair of the Council of Presidents, in support of the State Regents' FY2018 budget request. President Burns Hargis, Oklahoma State University, and Executive Vice President Nick Hathaway, the University of Oklahoma, also provided comments.

13. **NEW PROGRAMS.**

- a. Regent Lester made a motion, seconded by Regent Massey, to approve the request from the Oklahoma State University to offer the Certificate in Teaching English to Speakers of Other Languages. Voting for the motion were Regent Lester, Hickman, Massey, Helm, Parker and Holloway. Voting against the motion were none.
- b. Regent Lester made a motion, seconded by Regent Parker, to approve the request from Oklahoma State University – Oklahoma City to offer the Certificate in Management Information Systems – Governance Risk and Compliance. Voting for the motion were

Regent Hickman, Massey, Helm, Parker, Holloway and Lester. Voting against the motion were none.

14. PROGRAM DELETIONS. Regent Lester made a motion, seconded by Regent Massey, to approve the following request for program deletions:

- a. Rogers State University requested to delete the Bachelor of Arts in Social Entrepreneurship.
- b. Northern Oklahoma College requested to delete the Associate in Applied Science in Radiography and the Associate in Applied Science in Surgical Technology.

Voting for the motion were Regent Massey, Helm, Parker, Holloway, Lester and Hickman. Voting against the motion were none.

15. INTENSIVE ENGLISH PROGRAMS. Regent Lester made a motion, seconded by Regent Parker to approve the University Language Institute in Tulsa, Oklahoma for five years and a review schedule extension of four months for the English as a Second Language Program at Tulsa Community College. Voting for the motion were Regent Helm, Parker, Holloway, Lester, Hickman and Massey. Voting against the motion were none.

16. OKLAHOMA'S PROMISE. Regent Lester made a motion, seconded by Regent Massey, to approve emergency rule revisions for the Oklahoma's Promise program. Voting for the motion were Regent Parker, Holloway, Lester, Hickman, Massey and Helm. Voting against the motion were none.

17. TEACHER EDUCATION

- a. Regent Lester made a motion, seconded by Regent Parker, to accept the Elementary and Secondary Education Act, Improving Teacher Quality State Mini Grant Program Awards in the amount of \$70,000. Voting for the motion were Regent Holloway, Lester, Hickman, Massey, Helm and Parker. Voting against the motion were none.
- b. Regent Lester made a motion, seconded by Regent Parker, to approve the Teacher Shortage Employment Incentive Program benefit of \$7,335.94 for each eligible teacher

by Spring 2018. Voting for the motion were Regent Lester, Hickman, Massey, Helm, Parker and Holloway. Voting against the motion were none.

- c. Regent Lester made a motion, seconded by Regent Parker, to approve the allocation of the Oklahoma Teacher Connection budget to fund a collegiate grant program. Voting for the motion were Regent Hickman, Massey, Helm, Parker, Holloway and Lester. Voting against the motion were none.

18. STATE AUTHORIZATION.

- a. Regent Lester made a motion, seconded by Regent Parker, to approve the request to re-authorize private institutions operating in Oklahoma.
- b. Regent Lester made a motion, seconded by Regent Parker, to approve the request to authorize private institutions operating in Oklahoma.

Voting for the motion were Regent Massey, Helm, Parker, Holloway, Lester and Hickman. Voting against the motion were none.

19. POLICY.

- a. Regent Lester made a motion, seconded by Regent Massey, to approve the Tulsa Community College concurrent enrollment pilot project. Voting for the motion were Regent Helm, Parker, Holloway, Lester, Hickman and Massey. Voting against the motion were none.
- b. Regent Lester made a motion, seconded by Regent Massey, to approve the rescension of the George and Donna Nigh Scholarship policy in the State Regents Policy book. Voting for the motion were Regent Parker, Holloway, Lester, Hickman, Massey and Helm. Voting against the motion were none.

- 20. E&G BUDGET.** Regent Parker made a motion, seconded by Regent Lester to approve the allocation of \$1,569,394.87 each to Oklahoma State University Center for Health Sciences and the University of Oklahoma Health Sciences Center from revenue collected from the taxes placed

on the sale of cigarettes and tobacco products. Voting for the motion were Regent Holloway, Lester, Hickman, Massey, Helm and Parker. Voting against the motion were none.

21. POLICY. Regents reviewed the proposed changes to the *Investment* policy. Vice Chancellor for Budget and Finance Amanda Paliotta stated that the *Investment* policy revisions will align the policy with the current allocation strategy. This item was for posting only.

22. EPSCoR

a. Regent Parker made a motion, seconded by Regent Massey, to approve the appointment of members to the EPSCoR Advisory Committee. Voting for the motion were Regent Lester, Hickman, Massey, Helm, Parker and Holloway. Voting against the motion were none.

b. Regent Parker made a motion, seconded by Regent Massey, to approve an allocation in the amount of \$30,000 to Northwestern Oklahoma State University for the annual Regional University Research Day. Voting for the motion were Regent Hickman, Massey, Helm, Parker, Holloway and Lester. Voting against the motion were none.

23. CONTRACTS AND PURCHASES. Regent Parker made a motion, seconded by Regent Holloway, to approve the following purchases for amounts in excess of \$100,000:

(1) Copper River in the amount of \$115,000 to provide 100 Gigabit Ethernet connections to the University of Oklahoma in Norman.

(2) Juniper in the amount of \$1,700,000 to facilitate the growing bandwidth needs of OneNet customers.

Voting for the motion were Regent Massey, Helm, Parker, Holloway, Lester and Hickman. Voting against the motion were none.

24. INVESTMENTS. Regent Parker made a motion, seconded by Regent Massey, to approve the following new investment manager:

a. American Securities LLC– \$8 million.

Voting for the motion were Regent Helm, Parker, Holloway, Lester, Hickman and Massey.

Voting against the motion were none.

25. **GEAR UP.** Regent Parker made a motion, seconded by Regent Holloway to accept the fourth phase of the federal GEAR UP grant from the United States Department of Education. Voting for the motion were Regent Parker, Holloway, Lester, Hickman, Massey and Helm. Voting against the motion were none.
26. **COMMENDATIONS.** Regent Lester made a motion, seconded by Regent Parker, to recognize State Regents' staff for their service and recognitions on state and national projects. Voting for the motion were Regent Holloway, Lester, Hickman, Massey, Helm and Parker. Voting against the motion were none.
27. **EXECUTIVE SESSION.** Mr. Robert Anthony, General Counsel for the Oklahoma State Regents for Higher Education, advised Regents that an executive session was not needed.
28. **CONSENT DOCKET.** Regent Massey made a motion, seconded by Regent Lester, to approve the following consent docket items:
 - a. Programs. Program Modifications. Approval of institutional requests.
 - b. Post Audit. Approval for institutional requests for final approval and review schedule extensions for existing programs.
 - c. Reconciliation. Approval of an institutional request for a degree program inventory reconciliation.
 - d. Cooperative Agreements. Ratification of an institutional request to delete a cooperative agreement.
 - e. Electronic Delivery.
 - (1) Oklahoma State University. Approval to offer the Master of Science in Educational Psychology and the Master of Science in Educational Technology through online delivery.

- (2) Western Oklahoma State College. Approval to offer the Associate in Applied Science in Nursing through online delivery.
- f. State Authorization Reciprocity Agreement. Ratification of institutional requests to renew participation in the State Authorization Reciprocity Agreement.
- g. GEAR UP. Ratification of the incentive support for implementation of the college liaison intervention strategy serving students at participating GEAR UP middle and high schools.
- h. Agency Operations.
 - (1) Ratification of purchases in excess of \$25,000 for FY2017.
 - (2) Audit. Acceptance of the FY2017 Annual Audit Reports.
 - (3) Personnel. Ratification of OneNet Director of Technology and Chief Technology Officer.
- i. Non-Academic Degrees.
 - (1) Ratification of a request from Oklahoma State University to award an honorary degree.
 - (2) Ratification of a request from the University of Oklahoma to award a posthumous degree.
- j. Resolutions. Approval of resolutions for retiring State Regents staff.

Voting for the motion were Regent Lester, Hickman, Massey, Helm, Parker and Holloway.
 Voting against the motion were none.

29. REPORTS. Regent Massey made a motion, seconded by Regent Parker, to accept the following reports:

- a. Programs. Current status report on program requests.
- b. Annual Reports.
 - (1) 2016-2017 Academic Scholars Year End Report.
 - (2) 2016-2017 Oklahoma Tuition Aid Grant Year End Report.
 - (3) 2016-2017 Oklahoma Tuition Equalization Grant Year End Report.

- (4) 2016-2017 Regional University Baccalaureate Scholarship Year End Report.
- (5) Review and acceptance of the annual Tuition Impact Analysis Report for submission to the Governor, President Pro Tempore and the Speaker of the House as required by statute.
- (6) Financial Operations Report, June 30, 2017.
- (7) Acceptance of the Preparing for College Mass Mailing Report.

Voting for the motion were Regent Hickman, Massey, Helm, Parker, Holloway and Lester.

Voting against the motion were none.

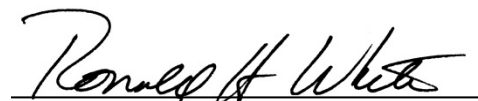
30. REPORT OF THE COMMITTEES.

- a. Academic Affairs and Social Justice and Student Services Committees. The Academic Affairs and Social Justice and Student Services Committees had no additional items for Regents' action.
- b. Budget and Audit Committee. The Budget and Audit Committee had no additional items for Regents' action.
- c. Strategic Planning and Personnel and Technology Committee. The Strategic Planning and Personnel and Technology Committee had no additional items for Regents' action.
- d. Investment Committee. The Investment Committee had no additional items for Regents' action.

31. ANNOUNCEMENT OF NEXT REGULAR MEETING. Regent White announced that the next regular meetings are scheduled to be held on Wednesday, January 31, 2018 at 10:30 a.m. and Thursday, February 1, 2018 at 9:00 a.m. at the State Regents Office in Oklahoma City.

32. ADJOURNMENT. With no additional items to address, the meeting was adjourned.

ATTEST:


Ron White, Chairman


Jody Parker, Secretary