

OKLAHOMA STATE REGENTS FOR HIGHER EDUCATION
Research Park, Oklahoma City

**Minutes of the Special Meeting
of the
Oklahoma State Regents for Higher Education**
Thursday, November 7, 2019

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 10:30 a.m. on Thursday, November 7, 2019, in the Presbyterian Health Foundation Conference Center in Oklahoma City, Oklahoma. Notice of the meeting had been filed with the Secretary of State on September 18, 2018 and was amended on November 1, 2019. A copy of the agenda for the meeting had been posted in accordance with the Open Meeting Act.

2. **CALL TO ORDER.** Chairman Jody Parker called the meeting to order and presided. Present for the meeting were State Regents Jody Parker, Ann Holloway, Toney Stricklin, Jay Helm, Jeff Hickman, Ron White, Michael C. Turpen, and Steven W. Taylor.

3. **COMMENTS.**
 - a. **COMMENTS FROM THE CHAIRMAN.** Chairman Parker thanked the legislators present and welcomed them to the meeting. He commended the Oklahoma State Regents for Higher Education (OSRHE) staff for their work to prepare the FY21 system budget request.

 - b. **COMMENTS FROM THE CHANCELLOR.** Chancellor Glen D. Johnson recognized the governing board Regents, the presidents of the institutions, and members of the higher education legislative network for their support in preparing the FY21 system budget. He then highlighted the upcoming Legislative Forum on Wednesday, November

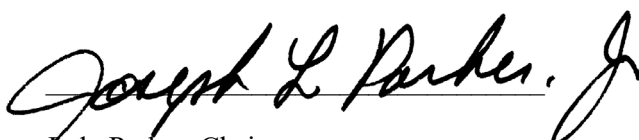
13 and a regional legislative meeting on Monday, December 16 at the University of Central Oklahoma.

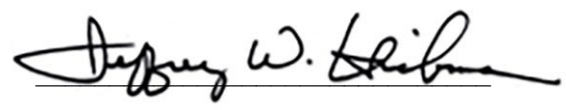
- 4. E&G BUDGET NEEDS FOR FY2021.** Chancellor Johnson presented the State System of Higher Education’s budget needs request for FY2021. The request totals approximately \$927.1 million and is specifically tied to STEM workforce development initiatives, operational cost increases, deferred maintenance, the concurrent enrollment program, and state matching funds for the Endowed Chairs program. The request reflects an increase of \$125 million or 15.6 percent over the FY2020 appropriation. Regent Turpen made a motion, seconded by Regent Holloway, to approve the request for state appropriations for FY2021 in the amount of \$927.1 million for support of the State System of Higher Education. Voting for the motion were Regents Stricklin, White, Helm, Parker, Holloway, Hickman, Turpen, and Taylor. Voting against the motion were none.
- 5. 2020 PUBLIC AGENDA.** Chancellor Johnson presented the 2020 Public Agenda. The 2020 Public Agenda identifies the objectives and key initiatives that will allow Oklahoma to increase its number of college graduates, enhance access and improve the quality of public higher education, and strengthen student preparation to meet the challenges of a global economy. Regent Turpen made a motion, seconded by Regent Holloway, to approve the 2020 Public Agenda. Voting for the motion were Regents White, Helm, Parker, Holloway, Hickman, Turpen, Taylor, and Stricklin. Voting against the motion were none.
- 6. 2020 LEGISLATIVE AGENDA.** Chancellor Johnson presented the State Regents’ 2020 Legislative Agenda. The 2020 Legislative Agenda sets forward the issues of interest to the Oklahoma state system of higher education, which may be brought before the Oklahoma Legislature during the 2020 Legislative Session. The issues outlined in the legislative agenda for

2020 were concurrent enrollment, the Endowed Chairs program, STEM and workforce development initiatives, additional funding for faculty salaries, the Oklahoma's Promise program, maintaining the current law regarding weapons on campus, implementation of cost saving and innovative strategies recommended by the Task Force on the Future of Higher Education to increase degree completion in our state, and the Complete College America initiative. Regent Turpen made a motion, seconded by Regent Holloway, to approve the 2020 Legislative Agenda. Voting for the motion were Regents Helm, Parker, Holloway, Hickman, Turpen, Taylor, Stricklin, and White. Voting against the motion were none.

7. **COMMENTS FROM THE PRESIDENTS.** State Regents heard comments in support of the proposed budget need request from University of Oklahoma Interim President Joe Harroz, Chairman of the Oklahoma A&M Board of Regents Tucker Link, Chairman of the Council of Presidents and President of Rose State College Jeanie Webb, and Senior Vice President for Administration and Finance at Oklahoma State University Mr. Joe Weaver.
8. **ANNOUNCEMENT OF NEXT REGULAR MEETING.** Chairman Parker announced that the next regular meeting of the State Regents would be held on Wednesday, December 4 at 10:30 a.m., and Thursday, December 5 at 9:00 a.m. at the State Regents office in Oklahoma City.
9. **ADJOURNMENT.** With no additional items to discuss, the meeting was adjourned.

ATTEST:


Jody Parker, Chairman


Jeff Hickman, Secretary