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 5, 2020

 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 their regular meeting at 10:30 a.m. on Thursday, November 5, 2020, via Zoom videoconference. This special meeting was filed with the Secretary of State on November 2, 2020. A copy of the agenda for the meeting had been posted in accordance with the Open Meeting Act.

 CALL TO ORDER. Chair Ann Holloway called the meeting to order and presided. Present for the meeting were State Regents Jack Sherry, Ron White, Jay Helm, Jody Parker, Ann Holloway, Dennis Casey, Jeff Hickman, Michael C. Turpen, and Steven W. Taylor.

3. COMMENTS.

- a. **COMMENTS FROM THE CHAIR**. Chair Holloway thanked those who had helped the prepare the Special Budget Meeting via Zoom and started that she was looking forward to the December State Regents' meeting being in person.
- b. **COMMENTS FROM THE CHANCELLOR**. Chancellor Glen D. Johnson thanked the college and university presidents, regents from institutional governing boards, members of the legislative network, and members of legislature who were in attendance. She provided an update on recent activity, including the annual Regents Education Program which was held virtually this year due to COVID-19, and discussed plans for upcoming

events including the Legislative Forum, noting that the date would be changed due to a conflict and that it will also be held in the virtual format.

4. FY2022 SYSTEM-WIDE BUDGET REQUEST. Chancellor Glen D. Johnson presented the State System of Higher Education's budget needs request for FY2022. The request totals approximately \$859.2 million specifically tied to workforce development initiatives, operational cost increases, financial aid and scholarship programs, and the Endowed Chairs State Matching Program. The request reflects an increase of \$88.8 million or 11.5 percent over the FY2021 appropriation.

Chancellor Glen D. Johnson presented the 2021 Public Agenda. The 2021 Public Agenda identifies the objectives and key initiatives that will allow Oklahoma to increase the number of college graduates, enhance access and improve the quality of public higher education, and better prepare students to meet the challenges of a global economy.

Chancellor Glen D. Johnson presented the State Regents' 2021 Legislative Agenda. The 2021 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 2021 Legislative Session. The issues outlined in the legislative agenda for 2021 were workforce and economic development initiatives, concurrent enrollment, Endowed Chairs, Oklahoma's Promise program, Complete College America, OneNet driving digital learning and connectivity, maintaining the current law regarding weapons on campus, and cost saving and innovative strategies to increase degree completion in our state created by the Task Force on the Future of Higher Education.

5. COMMENTS FROM THE PRESIDENTS. State Regents heard comments from Oklahoma State University President Burns Hargis, University of Oklahoma President Joe Harroz, and Chairman of the Council of Presidents and Cameron University President John McArthur.

- 6. E&G BUDGET NEEDS FOR FY2022. Regent Helm made a motion, seconded by Regent Turpen, to approve a request for state appropriations for FY2022 in the amount of \$859.2 million, representing an increase of \$88.8 million or 11.5 percent, for support of the Oklahoma State System of Higher Education. Voting for the motion via roll call were Regents Sherry, White, Helm, Parker, Holloway, Casey, Hickman, Turpen, and Taylor. Voting against the motion were none.
- 7. 2021 PUBLIC AGENDA. Regent White made a motion, seconded by Regent Turpen, to approve the State Regents' 2021 Public Agenda. Voting for the motion via roll call were Regents Sherry, White, Helm, Parker, Holloway, Casey, Hickman, Turpen, and Taylor. Voting against the motion were none.
- 8. 2021 LEGISLATIVE AGENDA. Regent White made a motion, seconded by Regent Turpen, to approve the State Regents' 2021 Legislative Agenda. Voting for the motion via roll call were Regents Sherry, White, Helm, Parker, Holloway, Casey, Hickman, Turpen, and Taylor. Voting against the motion were none.
- 9. ANNOUNCEMENT OF NEXT REGULAR MEETING. Chair Holloway announced that the next regular meeting of the State Regents would be held on Wednesday, December 2, 2020 at 10:30 a.m., and Thursday, December 3, 2020 at 9:00 a.m. at the State Regents office in Oklahoma City.

10. ADJOURNMENT. With no additional items to discuss, the meeting was adjourned. ATTEST:

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Ann Holloway, Chairwoman

Michael C. Turpen, Secretary