The Board of Regents of the University of Nebraska met on June 28, 2018, at 9:00 a.m. in the board room at Varner Hall, 3835 Holdrege Street, Lincoln, Nebraska, in a publicly convened session, the same being open to the public and having been preceded by advance publicized notice, a copy of which is attached to the minutes of this meeting as Attachment 1 (page 37).

In compliance with the provisions of Neb. Rev. Stat. § 84-1411, printed notice of this meeting was sent to each member of the Board and was posted in the first floor lobby of Varner Hall. In addition, copies of such notice were sent to the Lincoln Journal Star, Omaha World Herald, the Daily Nebraskan, the Gateway, the Antelope, the Kearney Hub, and the Lincoln office of the Associated Press on June 21, 2018.

Regents present:
Timothy Clare, Vice Chairman
Hal Daub
Howard Hawks
Paul Kenney
Bob Phares
Jim Pillen
Robert Schafer, Chairman
Bob Whitehouse
Logan Krejdl, University of Nebraska at Kearney
Hunter Traynor, University of Nebraska-Lincoln
Sarah Hotovy, University of Nebraska Medical Center
Renata Valquier Chavez, University of Nebraska at Omaha

University officials present:
Hank M. Bounds, President
Susan M. Fritz, Executive Vice President and Provost
Carmen K. Maurer, Corporation Secretary
Jeffrey P. Gold, Chancellor, University of Nebraska Medical Center and University of Nebraska at Omaha
Ronnie D. Green, Chancellor, University of Nebraska-Lincoln
Douglas A. Kristensen, Chancellor, University of Nebraska at Kearney
Christopher J. Kabourek, Interim Vice President for Business and Finance | CFO
Stacia L. Palser, Interim Vice President and General Counsel
Wendy D. Hind, Vice President for University Affairs
Michael J. Boehm, Vice President of Agriculture and Natural Resources

I. CALL TO ORDER

II. ROLL CALL

The Board convened at 9:00 a.m. in the boardroom of Varner Hall, 3835 Holdrege Street, Lincoln, Nebraska. Attendance is indicated above.
III. APPROVAL OF MINUTES AND RATIFICATION OF ACTIONS

Motion
Moved by Hawks seconded by Clare to approve the minutes and ratify the actions of the regularly scheduled meeting on March 29, 2018.

Action

Chairman Schafer announced the location of the Open Meetings Act in the board room.

Chairman Schafer welcomed newly-elected student regents Logan Krejdl, University of Nebraska at Kearney; Hunter Traynor, University of Nebraska-Lincoln; Sarah Hotovy, University of Nebraska Medical Center; and Renata Valquier Chavez, University of Nebraska at Omaha.

President Bounds welcomed newly-elected Faculty Senate Presidents Grace Mims, University of Nebraska at Kearney; Jeff Rudy, University of Nebraska-Lincoln; Corrine Hanson, University of Nebraska Medical Center; and Chris Kelly, University of Nebraska at Omaha.

IV. KUDOS

None

V. RESOLUTIONS

None

VI. HEARINGS

None

VII. PUBLIC COMMENT

Ms. Jackie Cranson spoke on the topic of licensing Husker trademarks to Nebraska-based apparel businesses. [See the documents file for a copy of the handout distributed by Ms. Cranson]

Ms. Malorie Maddox, Vice President for Communications, BlueCross BlueSheild Nebraska, addressed the Board regarding the University’s change in health insurance administrators.

VIII UNIVERSITY CONSENT AGENDA

Motion
A. ACADEMIC AFFAIRS

VIII-A-1 President’s Personnel Recommendations

VIII-A-2 Approve recommendations relating to academic program reviews required by the NCCPE and approve forwarding of the program review reports to the NCCPE

VIII-A-3 Approve Amendments to RP-5.9 of the Policies of the Board of Regents related to student fees

See Attachment 2 to the minutes for the full text of the amendments to RP-5.9 (pages 38-42).

B. BUSINESS AFFAIRS

University of Nebraska

VIII-B-1 Approve Amendments to RP-6.2.1 of the Policies of the Board of Regents, Purchasing Policy, to comply with federal Uniform Guidance related to procurement

See Attachment 3 to the minutes for the full text of the amendments to RP-6.2.1 (pages 44-51).

VIII-B-2 Approve agreements with Oracle for the purchase of licenses and leasing of hardware for Nebraska Student Information Systems (NeSIS)

VIII-B-3 Approve the Agency Agreement for Management and Investment of Endowments within the University of Nebraska Trust Fund between the University and the University of Nebraska Foundation for management and investment of funds in the University of Nebraska Trust Fund

University of Nebraska at Kearney

VIII-B-4 Approve naming the Early Childhood Education Center the “LaVonne Kopecky Plambeck Early Childhood Education Center” at the University of Nebraska at Kearney

University of Nebraska-Lincoln

VIII-B-5 Approve renaming the former College of Business Administration Building to “Louise Pound Hall” at the University of Nebraska-Lincoln

VIII-B-6 Approval to establish a quasi-endowment from the Sandra Johnson Estate to create the “Oscar, Elizabeth and Sandra Johnson Fund” at the University of Nebraska-Lincoln

VIII-B-7 (1) Approve the appointment of Robert Wilhelm as a member of the “Class C” Directors of the Nebraska Innovation Campus Development Corporation (NICDC) effective July 1, 2018, and the reappointment of Tom Henning, Dana Bradford and Hank Bounds as members of “Class A” Directors of the NICDC Board of Directors for three-year terms effective July 1, 2018. (2) Approve the appointment of the Executive Vice Chancellor and Chief Academic Officer of the University of Nebraska-Lincoln as an ex-officio, non-voting member of the Board of Directors of the Nebraska Innovation
Campus Development Corporation (NICDC) Board of Directors, effective July 1, 2018.

University of Nebraska Medical Center

VIII-B-8 Approve the purchase of Multiphoton Microscope in the anticipated amount of no higher than $820,000

VIII-B-9 Approve purchase and installation of new MRI

VIII-B-10 Approve the purchase of a consolidated Dental Clinical Information System

VIII-B-11 Approval to establish a quasi-endowment from the Virginia Long Maples Revocable Trust to establish the “Stanley D. Long Student Fund”

VIII-B-12 Approve amendment to Nebraska Pediatric Practice, Inc. Members Agreement

Additional Item – University of Nebraska

VIII-B-13 Approve the Amended and Restated University of Nebraska Group Health Trust Fund Agreement between the Board of Regents of the University of Nebraska and Wells Fargo Bank Nebraska, National Association, as successor to National Bank of Commerce Trust and Savings Association, as Master Trustee


IX. ADMINISTRATIVE AGENDA

B. ACADEMIC AFFAIRS

Motion Moved by Kenney and seconded by Pillen to approve item IX-A-1

IX-A-1 Approve the Restated Contract of Employment for Hank M. Bounds, as President of the University of Nebraska, extending the term of the contract to June 30, 2023, effective July 1, 2018.

There was discussion


Motion Moved by Whitehouse and seconded by Clare to approve item IX-A-2

IX-A-2 Approval is requested to create the Master of Science degree in Long-Term Care Management to be administered by the Office of Health Science Programs in the College of Natural and Social Sciences at the University of Nebraska at Kearney

Motion Moved by Hawks and seconded by Pillen to approve item IX-A-3

IX-A-3 Approval is requested to establish the Department of Cyber Systems and merge the Information Technology-related programs into the Department of Cyber Systems in the College of Business and Technology, and to dissolve the Department of Computer Science and Information Technology in the College of Natural and Social Sciences at the University of Nebraska at Kearney


Motion Moved by Whitehouse and seconded by Clare to approve item IX-A-4

IX-A-4 Approval is requested to merge the College of Fine Arts and Humanities and the College of Natural and Social Sciences to form the College of Arts and Sciences at the University of Nebraska at Kearney

There was discussion


Motion Moved by Kenney and seconded by Clare to approve item IX-A-5

IX-A-5 Approval is requested to move the Interior Design Program from the recently-renamed Department of Family Studies to the Department of Industrial Technology in the College of Business and Technology at the University of Nebraska at Kearney


Motion Moved by Clare and seconded by Daub to approve item IX-A-6

IX-A-6 Approval is requested to create the Bachelor of Fine Arts in Emerging Media Arts in the Johnny Carson School of Theatre and Film in the Hixson-Lied College of Fine and Performing Arts at the University of Nebraska-Lincoln

There was discussion


Motion Moved by Daub and seconded by Phares to approve item IX-A-7
Approval is requested to eliminate the Associate of Arts degree in Fire Protection Technology in the Durham School of Architectural Engineering and Construction in the College of Engineering at the University of Nebraska-Lincoln


Moved by Whitehouse and seconded by Hawks to approve item IX-A-8

Approval is requested to establish the Center of Excellence in Pancreatic Cancer administered by the College of Medicine at the University of Nebraska Medical Center

There was discussion


Moved by Clare and seconded by Kenney to approve item IX-A-9

(1) Approval is requested to create the Master of Arts in Applied Behavior Analysis offered jointly by the Department of Psychology in the College of Arts and Sciences at UNO and the Department of Psychology in the Munroe-Meyer Institute at UNMC; (2) Approval is requested to transition the existing UNO Applied Behavior Analysis Graduate Certificate to a jointly-administered UNO/UNMC graduate certificate.


Moved by Pillen and seconded by Valquier Chavez to approve item IX-A-10

Approval is requested to consolidate the MA and MS degrees in Counseling into the MS in Counseling with thesis and non-thesis options in the Department of Counseling in the College of Education at the University of Nebraska at Omaha

There was discussion


Moved by Kenney and seconded by Phares to approve item IX-A-11

Approval is requested to create the Master of Science in Biomechanics in the Department of Biomechanics in the College of Education at the University of Nebraska at Omaha
There was discussion

Action


B. BUSINESS AFFAIRS

Motion

Moved by Pillen and seconded by Traynor to approve items IX-B-1, IX-B-2, IX-B-3, and IX-B-4

Operating Budget

IX-B-1
Approve the Fund B, University Program and Facilities Fee (UPFF) 2018-19 Allocation for the University of Nebraska at Kearney

IX-B-2
Approve the Fund B University Program and Facilities Fees (UPFF) 2018-19 Allocation for the University of Nebraska-Lincoln

IX-B-3
Approve the Fund B, University Program and Facilities Fee (UPFF) 2018-19 Allocation for the University of Nebraska Medical Center

IX-B-4
Approve the Fund B, University Program and Facilities Fees (UPFF) 2018-19 Allocation for the University of Nebraska Omaha

There was discussion

Action


Motion

Moved by Kenney and seconded by Pillen to approve item IX-B-5

IX-B-5
(1) Approve UMR, a UnitedHealthcare company, as the third party administrator for the University of Nebraska’s medical plan. (2) Approve Ameritas as the third party administrator for the University of Nebraska’s dental plan. (3) Approve Employers Health Coalition/CVS Health as the third party administrator for the University of Nebraska’s pharmacy plan. (4) Approve the proposed terms and conditions and authorize the President or his designee to finalize negotiations and to execute such documents as are required to operate the program.

There was discussion. Regents Clare and Daub abstained from voting due to the potential of a perceived or existing business conflict of interest.

Action


Motion

Moved by Pillen and seconded by Phares to approve item IX-B-6
IX-B-6 Approve the University of Nebraska’s FY 2018-19 Operating Budget. Reappropriate with the State of Nebraska’s Department of Administrative Services any unexpended balances existing on June 30, 2018 that are committed to be spent in FY 2018-19. In order to meaningfully address a budget shortfall and appropriately sustain operations, the President is authorized to implement tuition increases, effective for the Spring 2019 semester, should a portion of the State approved (105th Legislature, 2nd Session) appropriation designated for the University be withheld from its regularly scheduled payment; provided that any such tuition increases shall not, in the aggregate, produce projected revenue in excess of the aggregate projected reduction in the State approved and appropriated payment(s).

There was discussion


Motion Moved by Phares and seconded by Hawks to approve item IX-B-7

IX-B-7 Approve the Nebraska College of Technical Agriculture’s FY 2018-19 Operating Budget. Reappropriate with the State of Nebraska’s Department of Administrative Services any unexpended balances existing on June 30, 2018 that are committed to be spent in FY 2018-19. In order to meaningfully address a budget shortfall and appropriately sustain operations, the President is authorized to implement tuition increases, effective for the Spring 2019 semester, should a portion of the State approved (105th Legislature, 2nd Session) appropriation designated for the University be withheld from its regularly scheduled payment; provided that any such tuition increases shall not, in the aggregate, produce projected revenue in excess of the aggregate projected reduction in the State approved and appropriated payment(s).

There was discussion


Motion Moved by Pillen and seconded by Daub to approve item IX-B-8

University of Nebraska

IX-B-8 Approve a contract with Bolero Information Systems, LLC to continue research administration software maintenance and enhancements for UNL, UNK and UNO, and to develop a replacement single instance for all NU campuses


Motion Moved by Hawks and seconded by Phares to approve item IX-B-9
IX-B-9 Approve the contract between the Board of Regents, Nebraska Medicine, and Cenergistic to provide consultant services for the Occupant Behavior Energy Conservation Program for the University of Nebraska

There was discussion


Motion Moved by Kenney and seconded by Clare to approve item IX-B-10

University of Nebraska at Kearney

IX-B-10 Approve a scope and budget change for the Early Childhood Education Center to be constructed on the University of Nebraska at Kearney campus

There was discussion


Motion Moved by Whitehouse and seconded by Phares to approve item IX-B-11

IX-B-11 Authorize the President, in consultation with the Executive Committee of the Board, to approve terms and conditions to complete the purchase of real estate at 807 West 25th Street, Kearney, NE

There was discussion


Motion Moved by Phares and seconded by Daub to approve item IX-B-12

University of Nebraska-Lincoln

IX-B-12 Approve a budget increase for Loop Road Renovation at the University of Nebraska-Lincoln

There was discussion


Motion Moved by Daub and seconded by Kenney to approve item IX-B-13
IX-B-13 Approve increase in budget for the Global Center for Advanced Interprofessional Learning to build a three-story lighted iconic art decorative screen wall prominently located on the main southern entrance to the University of Medical Center campus

There was discussion


Motion Moved by Hotovy and seconded by Phares to approve item IX-B-14

IX-B-14 Approve a scope and budget change for the Wittson Hall Renovation Project to create and name the Wigton Heritage Center on the University of Nebraska Medical Center campus

There was discussion


Motion Moved by Phares and seconded by Clare to approve item IX-B-15

IX-B-15 Approve program statement and budget for the Munroe-Meyer Institute for Genetics and Rehabilitation Facility Replacement to be fit up in existing building purchased at 6902 Pine Street for the University of Nebraska Medical Center

There was discussion


C. FOR INFORMATION ONLY

IX-C-1 University of Nebraska Strategic Planning Framework

IX-C-2 University of Nebraska Strategic Framework Accountability Measures

IX-D-3 Calendar of establishing and reporting accountability measures

IX-C-4 University of Nebraska Strategic Dashboard Indicators

IX-C-5 Board of Regents agenda items related to the University of Nebraska Strategic Framework

D. REPORTS

IX-D-1 Quarterly Personnel Report for the period January-March 2018
| IX-D-2 | Laboratory, Student, and Miscellaneous Fees for 2018-2019 |
| IX-D-3 | Spring 2018 Enrollment report |
| IX-D-4 | Renaming the Department of Family Studies and Interior Design to the Department of Family Studies in the College of Business and Technology at the University of Nebraska at Kearney |
| IX-D-5 | Expedited Approval of the Business in Health Administration Graduate Certificate in the College of Business Administration at the University of Nebraska at Omaha |
| IX-D-6 | Expedited Approval of the Kodály Graduate Certificate in the School of Music at the University of Nebraska at Omaha |
| IX-D-7 | Renaming the Bachelor of Science in Biotechnology to the Bachelor of Science in Molecular and Biomedical Biology in the Department of Biology in the College of Arts and Sciences at the University of Nebraska at Omaha |
| IX-D-8 | Bids and Contracts for the period ended April 18, 2018 |
| IX-D-9 | Gifts, Grants, Contracts and Bequests accepted during the quarter October 1 through December 31, 2017 |
| IX-D-10 | Gifts, Grants, Contracts and Bequests accepted during the quarter January 1 through March 31, 2018 |
| IX-D-11 | Quarterly Status of Capital Construction Projects |
| IX-D-12 | Semi-annual Report of Licenses |
| IX-D-13 | Status Report of Six-year Capital Plan |
| IX-D-14 | Naming of Room S-109 in the College of Law’s Marvin and Virginia Schmid Clinic Building, “The Berkshire Family Interview Room” at the University of Nebraska-Lincoln |
| IX-D-15 | Naming a gallery at the Sheldon Museum of Art the “Sarah Pearson Campbell Gallery” at the University of Nebraska-Lincoln |
| IX-D-16 | Naming of selected research space within the Suzanne & Walter Scott Research Tower at the “Robert S. Holmes Collaborative Center” at the University of Nebraska Medical Center |
| IX-D-17 | Intermediate Design Report for the Johnny Carson Center for Emerging Media Arts at the University of Nebraska-Lincoln |
| IX-D-18 | Intermediate Design Report for the Gymnastics Training Facility at the University of Nebraska-Lincoln |
| IX-D-19 | National Disaster Medical System Contract at the University of Nebraska Medical Center |
IX-D-20  Strategic Framework report on State Funding and Tuition Accountability Measures [1-a-ii]
IX-D-21  Strategic Framework report on Research [4-a-i]
IX-D-22  Revisions to the University of Nebraska Graduate Governance Document

Chairman Schafer accepted the reports on behalf of the Board.

X.  ADDITIONAL BUSINESS

None

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned by Chairman Schafer at 11:25 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

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Carmen K. Maurer
Corporation Secretary

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Robert M. Schafer
Chairman of the Board
ATTACHMENT 1

NOTICE OF MEETING

Notice is hereby given that the Board of Regents of the University of Nebraska will meet in a publicly convened session on Thursday, June 28, 2018, at 9:00 a.m. in the boardroom of Varner Hall, 3835 Holdrege Street, Lincoln, Nebraska.

An agenda of subjects to be considered at said meeting, kept on a continually current basis, is available for inspection in the office of the Corporation Secretary of the Board of Regents, Varner Hall, 3835 Holdrege Street, Lincoln, Nebraska, or at https://nebraska.edu/regents/agendas-and-minutes.

A copy of this notice will be delivered to the Lincoln Journal Star, the Omaha World-Herald, the Daily Nebraskan, the Gateway, the Antelope, the Kearney Hub, the Lincoln office of the Associated Press, members of the Board of Regents, and the President’s Council of the University of Nebraska.

Dated: June 21, 2018

Carmen K. Maurer
Corporation Secretary
Board of Regents
University of Nebraska
ATTACHMENT 2  
ADDENDUM VIII-A-3

Amendments to RP-5.9 of the Policies of the Board of Regents of the University of Nebraska, Student Fees:

RP-5.9 Student Fees
Campuses must establish and adhere to a campus review and approval process for all proposed student fees. Administrative charges may not be charged against student fees by a campus.

RP-5.9.1 University Program and Facilities Fees
1. Definitions
   a. Name. The official name for student fees is “University Program and Facilities Fees” (UPFF).
   b. Fund A. That portion of UPFF designated for student activities which are managed by student groups shall be distributed according to an annual budget developed by the appropriate student government organization on each campus. This portion of the UPFF shall be called Fund A.
   c. Fund B. That portion of the UPFF designated to pay debt services, staff salaries, maintenance of facilities and related expenses, and those additional items designated by the Chancellor will be budgeted separately with emphasis upon continuing support. This portion of the UPFF shall be designated as Fund B.

2. Use of Fund A Monies
   a. Allocation of Fund A monies is restricted to the following three organizations on each campus: (1) student government, (2) student programming, and (3) student newspaper. Fund A monies may not be used for academic programs or functions directly related to academic programs.
   b. Offices receiving Fund A support must benefit a broad based student population. Student governments may not distribute Fund A monies to individuals, except in the form of wages for services performed, nor to groups or organizations that are not established by and under the direct control of student government.
   c. Student programming organizations may make grants of Fund A monies to other student groups and organizations to support the programming needs of such groups and organizations. Such grants may only be made on a one fiscal year basis; may be made only with the approval of the cognizant Chancellor; may not be expended for wages, equipment, office supplies, or travel; and may not be granted to a single organization more than once in a two-year period.

3. Approval of Fund A Budgets
   a. The Board of Regents hereby delegates authority to establish and allocate Fund A monies to the elected student governments subject only to approval by the appropriate Chancellor.
   b. An allocations body comprised of students, faculty, and staff shall be established on each campus to recommend disbursements of Fund A.
c. Hearing dates for the initial meetings of the student government bodies established to allocate fees shall be published in the student newspaper (or appropriate campus news media) ten (10) days prior to such hearings with costs being defrayed by the UPFF allocation to student publications, and a tentative allocation shall be published in the student newspaper (or appropriate campus news media). This published information shall include the salaries, the operating budgets, and the capital expenditures of all groups receiving fee funding. The cost will be dealt with as above, and coinciding with the publication of the tentative allocation, there shall be a publication of the final hearing dates of the student government body responsible for fee allocations.

d. After a final hearing, the fees allocation body shall draw up the final allocation proposal to be submitted to the student government of each campus for approval; after such approval by the student government, the final allocation shall be published in the student newspaper (or appropriate campus news media), and after approval by the above bodies, the proposal shall be submitted to the responsible campus Vice Chancellor and Chancellor for approval.

e. Redistribution of Fund A monies among major categories within the student programming organizations may be accomplished only with the approval of the cognizant Chancellor.

4. Annual Referenda on Fund A Expenditures

a. Any student government desiring to expend funds for, or allocate funds to, the support of a student newspaper, a speakers program, or salaries for student government officers, must first obtain, prior to the beginning of each fiscal year in which such expenditures are to be made, and in the manner set forth below, the authorization of the student electorate on that campus to do so.

1) Said authorization may only be obtained through a referendum conducted among the body of students on a particular campus eligible to vote in student government elections on that campus, in which one or more of the following three questions shall be explicitly posed:

   a) Do you approve the allocation by student government of a part of student fee income in support of the (name of newspaper) during the 20__-__ fiscal year?

   b) Do you approve the allocation by student government of a part of student fee income in support of a campus speakers program during the 20__-__ fiscal year?

   c) Do you approve the allocation by student government of a part of student fee income for salaries for student government officers during the 20__-__ fiscal year?

2) Authorization for one year only for any particular one of the questions in 4a(1) above shall be deemed to have been obtained if, and only if, a majority of the students voting in said referendum vote to approve that particular question.

3) Prior to said referendum, the student government on the campus on which the said referendum is to be held shall widely publicize the total proposed dollar allocations, as well as the pro rata dollar amounts attributable to each student, for each of said
specific expenditure areas for which said student government is seeking authorization.

5. Refunds of Fund A UPFF

For a period of at least one month during each academic term, each student who has paid a Fund A student fee for that term shall be eligible to apply for, and each eligible applicant therefore shall receive a full or partial refund of his or her Fund A student fee for that academic term. No student who applies for and receives a refund of his or her Fund A student fee shall, by virtue of such refund, be denied the right to stand for election to any student government office, or be denied the right to vote in any student government elections, or be denied any other political right within or ancillary to student government on his or her campus.

6. Use of Fund B Monies

Upon recommendation of the campus Chancellor and the President, and with the approval of the Board, Fund B monies may be allocated for support of (i) University contracts requiring payment in whole or in part from dedicated student fees, (ii) student unions and centers, (iii) intercollegiate athletic programs, (iv) student health services, (v) student recreational programs, (vi) international student services, (vii) student transit services, and (viii) facilities related to any of the foregoing. Fund B monies shall not be allocated for the benefit of an individual student (including athletic scholarships) except for wages paid to a student who is an hourly paid employee, employed by and at one of the facilities above; for support of the University's physical plant, except for facilities used primarily for those student services or activities permitted above or facilities subject to bonded indebtedness requiring dedicated student fees; or for support of any academic program, or any function or facility directly related to an academic program. In the event a facility is used in part for those student services or activities permitted above, and in part for other purposes (such as academic programs, or faculty, staff, or community services and activities), Fund B monies may be used to support the facility only up to the proportion that the permitted student services or activities in the facility bear to the total use of the facility.

7. Collection of User Fees and Contributions by Student Organizations

Student groups and organizations may, with the approval of the cognizant Chancellor, establish, charge, and collect appropriate user fees for services and activities sponsored by such groups and organizations in University facilities or with University equipment or with the official sanction or assistance of University personnel. Any such fees must be collected, deposited, and disbursed in accordance with established University policies, and may only be used in support of the services and activities of the organization receiving the fee.

Any student organization, office, or group which has received official University recognition may, with the approval of the cognizant Chancellor, solicit and collect voluntary contributions. Such contributions must be solicited, collected, deposited, and disbursed in accordance with established University policies, and may only be used in support of the student organization, office, or group by which the contributions were solicited.

**RP-5.9.2 Course and Laboratory Fees; Miscellaneous Fees**

The following fundamental concepts shall be observed with regard to the expenditure of non-UPFF student fee revenues:
1. A description of the fees charged and their purpose must be provided to students on a website or in another manner determined by the campus.

2. Student fee expenditures must align with the purposes and descriptions for which they were collected.

3. Student fees shall be expended for purposes that directly benefits the students charged.

4. Fees shall not be distributed for the benefit of an individual student (ex: scholarship or fellowship) nor be awarded on a competitive basis.

Costs related to the development, instruction and assessment of offering a course are expected to be borne by the department and college, including materials related to the mechanics of teaching the course, such as course outlines, syllabi, exams, and similar handouts. The department is also expected to bear the costs of staffing courses, including personnel employed to aid in the course such as teaching assistants and guest speakers.

A Course fee is defined as a charge applied to students enrolled in a specific course for expenses directly related to the student’s participation. A Laboratory (lab) fee is defined as a charge made to students to underwrite, in whole or in part, the cost of services, rentals, and consumable supplies utilized in a laboratory environment. Costs that may be assessed through these fees include, but are not limited to, any consumable materials, services provided as a part of the class, travel costs for the student to attend a required field trip, computer related software for student use specific to the course, individual exams or assessments produced by a third party that are purchased at a group rate, materials such as manuals, chemicals, glassware, protective or other clothing, paints, brushes and canvasses that will be consumed by the student in the course of instructional activities. A course or lab fee may also include the costs of purchase, maintenance, repair and replacement of equipment used in the delivery of a course or execution of a lab. A course or lab fee shall not be expended for general departmental or administrative costs.

Course fees are established to cover the costs related to a particular course, for example, the costs associated with the bulk purchase of self-assessments or copyright fees. A laboratory fee is defined as a charge made to students to underwrite, in whole or in part, the cost of service, rentals, and consumable supplies utilized in a laboratory environment. These include, for example, such materials as manuals, chemicals, glassware, protective or other clothing, computer related software and expendables, paints, brushes and canvasses.

A miscellaneous student fee is defined as all fees other than UPFF, course, and laboratory fees charged to students incidental to the providing of instruction. Examples of fees included within this category are application fees, transcript fees, teacher placement fees, special instructional fees, late payment fees, technology fees and returned check fees.

**RP-5.9.3 Online Course Fees**

The purpose of the fee is to provide the resources needed for developing and supporting both teaching and learning in a course that significantly utilizes learning technologies. Specifically, the costs associated with instructional design and support, faculty development and training in the use of instructional technology, accessibility and other quality standards, course development, and online learner orientation, communication and support.

The fee is to be assessed to distance (fully online) and blended (partially online) courses.
RP-5.9.43 Reporting of Course, Laboratory, Online Course and Miscellaneous Fees

The Chancellors on each of the campuses shall report to the President no later than March 1 of each year a listing of all planned changes in student fees of any nature for the next academic year. All fees must be reviewed by the campus at least once every four years. Any planned increase in fees must be approved by the President and subsequently included as a report to the Board of Regents in a meeting agenda, prior to the proposed implementation of the increased fees. A list of all laboratory fees will be included in the schedule of classes which is provided to students prior to the time that they register for classes.
ATTACHMENT 3
ADDENDUM VIII-B-1

Amendments to RP-6.2.1 of the Policies of the Board of Regents of the University of Nebraska, Purchasing Policy

RP-6.2.1 Purchasing Policy

1. Policy References

   a. The Bylaws of the Board of Regents of the University of Nebraska, Section 6.1, relating to Obligations.

   b. The Bylaws of the Board of Regents of the University of Nebraska, Section 6.4, relating to Contracts.


2. Purpose

The purpose of this policy is to provide uniform purchasing guidelines for the University of Nebraska.

3. Applicability

This policy shall apply to the purchase of personal property and services, and to the purchase of labor, materials, and equipment for the construction, maintenance, repair, remodeling, renovation, renewal or demolition of any University building or other improvement to real property. The purchase of services of architects, engineers, landscape architects, and land surveyors and the acquisition of real property are excluded from this policy.

4. Definitions

   a. Article. Article shall mean any item of personal property, and shall include all materials, supplies, furniture, equipment, printing, stationery, software, automotive and road equipment and all other chattels, goods, wares and merchandise whatsoever.

   b. Bylaws. Bylaws shall mean the Bylaws of the Board of Regents of the University of Nebraska.

   c. Contractor. Contractor shall mean any person, firm, partnership, association, corporation or other entity with whom the University has entered into a contract to (a) provide any article or service, or (b) provide any labor, materials or equipment for the construction, maintenance, repair, remodeling, renovation, renewal or demolition of any University building or other improvement to real property.
d. **Emergency.** Emergency shall mean any situation where it is necessary that the University enter into a contract of purchase to (a) avoid the loss of life, health, safety, or property, (b) respond to time limits established by a person or agency external to the University, or (c) obtain cost savings for the University where the time constraints of competitive bidding would eliminate the cost savings.

e. **Immediate Family.** Immediate Family shall mean wife, husband, children, grandchildren, parents, grandparents, brother, sister, daughter-in-law, son-in-law, guardian, ward, stepfather, stepchildren, or persons bearing the same relationship to the spouse of the employee.

f. **Major Administrative Unit.** Major administrative unit shall mean the University of Nebraska-Lincoln, the University of Nebraska Medical Center, or the University of Nebraska at Omaha, or the University of Nebraska at Kearney.

g. **Principal Business Officer.** Principal business officer shall mean the Vice Chancellor for Business and Finance of a major administrative unit or the Vice President for Business and Finance when acting on behalf of the Central Administration or the University as a whole, or their designee.

h. **Professional Service.** Professional service shall mean and include (a) any type of service which requires a license or other legal authorization as a condition precedent to the rendering of the service, or (b) any other type of service commonly recognized as a professional service, including, but not limited to, accounting and auditing, actuarial, legal, personnel, financial, computing, management, marketing, educational program planning or evaluation, facilities planning or evaluation, insurance and risk management, or travel agency services.

i. **Purchase.** Purchase shall mean the process of (a) acquisition of any article by the University by transfer of ownership or by lease for a stated consideration paid to a contractor or vendor, (b) contracting for any service, including any professional service, to be provided by any person, firm, partnership, association, corporation or other entity for a stated consideration, or (c) contracting for any labor, material or equipment for construction, repair, alteration, remodeling, renovation or demolition of any University building or other improvement to real property to be provided by a contractor for a stated consideration.

j. **Requesting Unit.** Requesting unit shall mean any college, school, department, division, office, or other administrative subdivision within the University which requests a purchase.

k. **Sole Source Purchase.** Sole source purchase shall mean any purchase made from only a single contractor or vendor without competitive bidding.
Vendor. Vendor shall mean any person, firm, partnership, association, corporation or other entity furnishing an article or service to the University.

5. Specifications

a. Any purchase where competitive bidding is required by this policy shall be made on the basis of written specifications which shall be developed by the requesting unit and/or the appropriate academic/administrative authority. All specifications shall be prepared in a manner designed to attract competitive bidding within the standards of quality appropriate for intended use.

b. In order to ensure objective contractor performance and eliminate unfair competitive advantage, contractors that develop or draft specifications, requirements, statements of work, and invitations for bids or requests for proposals must be excluded from competing for such procurements.

c. Restrictive sole source proprietary specifications shall not be used, except in cases of emergency or in cases involving the purchase of unique (including matching existing equipment or software) or non-competitive articles or services. Each request for a sole source purchase shall be accompanied by written justification from the requesting unit. Each sole source purchase must have prior written approval by the principal business officer.

d. The Vice President for Business and Finance shall coordinate the establishment and maintenance of uniform standards and specifications for purchases by the University.

6. Micro-Purchase

a. Procurement by micro-purchase is the acquisition of services, supplies or other property, the aggregate dollar amount of which does not exceed micro-purchase level as set by the Federal Acquisition Regulation. Micro-purchases may be awarded without soliciting competitive quotations.

7. Small Purchase

a. Small purchase procedures are those relatively simple and informal procurement methods for securing services, supplies, or other property that cost less than the competitive bid level (see Section 10). If small purchase procedures are used, price or rate quotations must be obtained from an adequate number of qualified sources.

8. Sealed Bids

a. Procurement by sealed bids (formal advertising) are publicly solicited and a firm fixed price contract (lump sum or unit price) is awarded to the responsible bidder whose bid, conforming with all the material terms and conditions of the invitation for bids, is the lowest in price.
9. Purchases Using Cooperative or Consortium

a. Purchases do not require competitive bidding if sourced from (i) any purchasing cooperative or consortium of which the University or a major administrative unit thereof is a member, (ii) the U.S. Government or any agency or instrumentality thereof, (iii) the State of Nebraska or any agency or instrumentality thereof, (iv) a political subdivision of the State of Nebraska, (v) any governmental or public entity created by an interlocal cooperation agreement pursuant to the Nebraska Interlocal Cooperation Act, (vi) any private or public postsecondary educational institution, or (vii) any vendor pursuant a U.S. Government General Services Administration (GSA) pricing agreement; provided, however, under no circumstances shall the University be contractually obligated or liable for any purchase by another educational institution or governmental entity, or by any other member of a purchasing cooperative or consortium.

6.10. Competitive Bidding

a. Procurement by competitive proposals (RFP) is normally conducted with more than one source submitting an offer. The following requirements apply

1) RFPs must be publicized and identify all evaluation factors and their relative importance.

2) Proposals must be solicited from an adequate number of qualified sources.

3) Contracts must be awarded to the responsible firm whose proposal is most advantageous to the program, with price and other factors considered.

b. Except as otherwise provided in this purchasing policy, any purchase committing the University to an expenditure of $150,000 or more shall be made to the lowest responsible bidder, taking into consideration the best interests of the University, the quality or performance of any articles or service to be purchased, their conformity with specifications, the purpose for which required, and the time of delivery or performance. The University may utilize a competitive reverse auction, to include a web-based version, to meet the competitive bidding requirements stated in this policy. In determining the lowest responsible bidder, in addition to price, bids may be rejected and awards made upon consideration of the following factors:

1) The ability, capacity, and skill of the bidder to comply with the University’s specifications and perform the contract required;

2) The character, integrity, reputation, judgment, experience, and efficiency of the bidder;

3) Whether the bidder can perform the contract within the time specified;
4) The quality of the bidder’s performance of previous contracts (see also Section 10.d 6.e);

5) The previous and existing compliance by the bidder with laws relating to the contract;

6) The life-cycle cost of an article in relation to its purchase price and specific use by the University (see also Section 10.g 6.f);

7) The performance of an article, taking into consideration any commonly accepted tests and standards of product usability and user requirements;

8) Energy efficiency ratio as stated by the bidder for alternative choices of appliances or equipment;

9) The information furnished by each bidder concerning life-cycle costs between alternatives for all classes of equipment, evidence of expected life, repair and maintenance costs and energy consumption on a per-year basis;

10) The results of Federal regulatory agency tests on fleet performance of motor vehicles. Each bidder shall furnish information relating to such results; and

11) Such other information as may be secured having a bearing on the decision to award the contract.

c. The University may waive any informality or irregularity in any bid which does not materially affect the integrity or effectiveness of the competitive bidding process. In any case where competitive bids are required and all bids are rejected, but the proposed purchase is not abandoned, new bids shall be called for as in the first instance. The University reserves the right in all circumstances to analyze bids in detail and to award contracts which in the exercise of reasonable discretion the University believes to be in its best interest.

d. The University may reject the bid of any bidder who has (a) failed to perform a previous contract with the University, (b) failed to provide any required bid security, or (c) submitted a bid which is in any way incomplete, irregular, or not responsive to specifications.

e. A minimum of fifteen (15) days shall elapse between the time formal bids are advertised or called for and the time of their opening; provided, however, the Principal Business Officer may shorten this time period in cases of emergency. Conducting competitive reverse auctions, including web-based auctions, satisfies this requirement and recognizes less than fifteen (15) days elapsed time between advertisement and the time of opening.

d.f. Competitive bidding shall not be required for the following types of purchases:
1) Purchase of unique or non-competitive articles or services. Without limiting the generality of the foregoing sentence, examples of unique or non-competitive articles and services are public utility services, regulated central office telephone services, books, pamphlets and periodicals, and specially designed business, research or scientific equipment and related software. (See also Section 5.c.b requiring written justification for sole source purchases and approval of the same by the principal business officer);

2) Contracts for professional services; provided, however, that any contract for architectural, engineering, land surveying or landscape architectural services shall be made in accordance with applicable law and Board of Regents Policies requiring competitive negotiations for such services;

3) Purchases necessary in emergency situations;

4) Contracts for maintenance or servicing of equipment with the manufacturer of the equipment or the manufacturer's authorized service agent, where in the judgment of the principal business officer such maintenance or service can be most effectively performed by the manufacturer or its authorized service agent;

5) Purchases from (i) any purchasing cooperative or consortium of which the University or a major administrative unit thereof is a member, (ii) the U.S. Government or any agency or instrumentality thereof, (iii) the State of Nebraska or any agency or instrumentality thereof, (iv) a political subdivision of the State of Nebraska, (v) any governmental or public entity created by an interlocal cooperation agreement pursuant to the Nebraska Interlocal Cooperation Act, (vi) any private or public postsecondary educational institution, or (vii) any vendor pursuant a U.S. Government General Services Administration (GSA) pricing agreement, provided, however, under no circumstances shall the University be contractually obligated or liable for any purchase by another educational institution or governmental entity, or by any other member of a purchasing cooperative or consortium;

6) Contracts on capital construction projects (a) for the services of a construction manager who may or may not at the discretion of the University also be engaged on the project as the general contractor or (b) for the services of a design/build contractor who will be engaged on the project to furnish design services by a qualified architect or engineer and to provide general contractor services; provided, the contracts shall be awarded in accordance with Board of Regents Policy RP-6.3.7.
7) Purchases, buildings and other improvements costing less than one hundred fifty thousand dollars ($150,000).

fg. When required by the University, each bidder will furnish life-cycle costs between alternatives for all classes of equipment, evidence of expected life, repair and maintenance costs, and energy consumption on a per-year basis. Where life-cost of an article is intended to be a factor in selection of the lowest responsible bidder, that factor shall be clearly stated in the invitation to bidders or in the specifications, or both.

7.11. Purchasing Disputes

Any disagreement between a requesting unit, vendor or bidder and the University concerning specifications, responsiveness of bids to specifications, vendor performance, and other matters relating to purchasing activities shall be referred to the respective principal business officer for resolution.

8.12. Purchases in the Name of the Board of Regents; Authority to Obligate University Funds

All purchases shall be in the name of the Board of Regents of the University of Nebraska for and on behalf of the major administrative unit making the purchase. No commitment of University funds shall be made except by means of an official University purchase order, an official University purchasing card or contract approved by the appropriate administrative officer or his or her designee in accord with Section 6.4 of the Bylaws and the policies of the Board of Regents relating to authority to execute contracts.

9.13. Campus Purchasing Policies and Procedures

Each principal business officer may establish campus purchasing policies and procedures which are supplemental to and consistent with this purchasing policy. Nothing herein shall be construed to prohibit a principal business officer from establishing campus purchasing policies and procedures which are more restrictive than this purchasing policy.

40.14. Resident Bidder Preference

In accordance with the provisions of Neb. Rev. Stat., § 73-101.01, when a University contract is to be awarded to the lowest responsible bidder, a resident bidder shall be allowed a preference over a non-resident bidder from a state which gives or requires a preference to bidders from that state. The preference shall be equal to the preference given or required by the state of the non-resident bidder. Resident bidder as used in this section shall mean any person, partnership, association, or foreign or domestic corporation authorized to engage in business in the State of Nebraska and who shall have met the residency requirement of the state of the non-resident bidder, necessary for receiving the benefit of that state's preference law on the date when any bid for public contract is first advertised or announced, or shall have had a bona fide establishment for doing business within this state for the length of time established by the state of the
non-resident bidder, necessary for receiving the benefit of that state's preference law on the date when a bid for a public contract is first advertised or announced. This section shall not apply to any contract for any project upon which federal funds would be withheld because of the provisions of this section.

44.15. Financial or Beneficial Personal Interest Forbidden; Gift and Rebates Prohibited

a. No officer or employee of the University involved in an advisory or decision-making capacity relating to any University purchase and no member of his or her immediate family shall be financially interested, or have any beneficial personal interest, either directly or indirectly, in such purchase, or in any bidder, contractor, lessor or vendor for such purchase. No such officer or employee or member of his or her immediate family shall receive or accept, either directly or indirectly, by rebate, gift or otherwise, any money or other specific item of value whatsoever, or any promise, obligation or contract for future reward or compensation from any person, firm, corporation or other entity which has submitted or intends to submit a bid or proposal in connection with any University purchase or which has otherwise been contacted by the University relating to a proposed University purchase.

b. No purchasing officer or any member of his or her immediate family shall have any direct or indirect financial interest in any person, partnership, firm, association, corporation or other vendor, or any agent or representative thereof, from or through whom the purchasing officer shall make any purchase or contract for a purchase on behalf of the University.

c. Violation of Section 11 shall constitute adequate cause for immediate suspension or dismissal from University employment.

42.16. Purchases Involving University Personnel; Purchases for Personal Use Prohibited

a. No article or service shall be purchased from any University faculty or staff member without prior approval by the principal business officer, and any such purchase approved by the principal business officer shall comply fully with the requirements of the conflict of interest provisions of the Nebraska Political Accountability and Disclosure Act, Neb. Rev. Stat., §§ 49-1493 through 49-14,104.

b. University funds shall not be expended for articles or services which are for the personal use of staff or faculty members.

43.17. Ownership and Control of University Property

a. Title and all rights of ownership to all property purchased with University funds shall vest in the University, except for property purchased in accordance with specially donated or restricted funds providing for other ownership.

b. University property may be reassigned for use by other units within the University in the event it is no longer being utilized by the unit in possession.
Each principal business officer or the Vice President for Business and Finance shall immediately notify the General Counsel’s office in any instance where a decision made concerning the awarding of a contract of purchase is disputed by a party outside the University.

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