The Board of Regents of the University of Nebraska met on June 26, 2020, at 9:01 a.m. by remote electronic means as provided for in Governor Ricketts’ Executive Order No. 20-24, 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 26).

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 on the front of the first floor entrance 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 19, 2020.

Regents present:
Timothy Clare
Howard Hawks
Paul Kenney, Vice Chairman
Elizabeth O’Connor
Bob Phares
Jim Pillen, Chairman
Robert Schafer
Barbara Weitz
Max Beal, University of Nebraska at Kearney
Veronica Miller, University of Nebraska-Lincoln
Thomas Schroeder, University of Nebraska Medical Center
Jabin Moore, University of Nebraska at Omaha

University officials present:
Walter E. Carter, 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
Michael J. Boehm, Vice President for Agriculture and Natural Resources
Christopher J. Kabourek, Vice President for Business and Finance | CFO
Heath M. Mello, Interim Vice President for University Affairs and Director of State Relations-elect
James P. Pottorff, Vice President and General Counsel

I. CALL TO ORDER

II. ROLL CALL

The Board convened at 9:01 a.m. by remote electronic means as provided by in Governor Ricketts’ Executive Order No. 20-24. Attendance is indicated above.
III. APPROVAL OF MINUTES AND RATIFICATION OF ACTIONS

Motion Moved by Hawks and seconded by Phares to approve the minutes and ratify the actions of the regularly scheduled meeting on April 17, 2020.


Chairman Pillen announced the location of the Notice of Meeting and Open Meetings Act posted on the front entry of Varner Hall.

Chairman Pillen welcomed newly-elected student regents Thomas Schroeder, University of Nebraska Medical Center; Jabin Moore, University of Nebraska at Omaha; Max Beal, University of Nebraska at Kearney; and Veronica Miller, University of Nebraska-Lincoln.

President Carter welcomed newly-elected Faculty Senate Presidents Martonia Gaskill, University of Nebraska at Kearney; Brandy Clarke, University of Nebraska Medical Center; C. Elliott Ostler, University of Nebraska at Omaha; and Nicole Buan, University of Nebraska-Lincoln.

President Carter welcomed Heath Mello, Vice President for External Relations, University of Nebraska and Elizabeth Spiller, Executive Vice Chancellor for Academic Affairs, University of Nebraska-Lincoln.

IV. KUDOS

Regent Phares presented a KUDOS award to Office of the University Registrar Staff Members at the University of Nebraska at Kearney.

Regent Schafer presented a KUDOS award to Susan Oestmann, Computer Support Associate in the College of Journalism and Mass Communications at the University of Nebraska-Lincoln.

Regent Weitz presented a KUDOS award to Hamid Shahshshan, Research Technologist in the Department of Cellular and Integrative Physiology at the University of Nebraska Medical Center.

V. RESOLUTION OF RECOGNITION

None

VI. HEARINGS

None

VII. PUBLIC COMMENT

Motion Regent Pillen moved that the portion of the Standing Rules providing for the public’s physical presence at a meeting be waived and that the processes for public comment at this meeting conform to the meeting notice provided to the public one week ago. Seconded by Clare.
Action


Mr. Eric Rodene spoke on the topic of Student Code of Conduct.

Mr. Luz Soleto spoke on the topic of Student Code of Conduct.

Mr. Timothy Hackett spoke on the topic of Student Code of Conduct.

VIII. UNIVERSITY CONSENT AGENDA


A. ACADEMIC AFFAIRS

University of Nebraska

VIII-A-1 President’s Personnel Recommendations

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

University of Nebraska Medical Center

VIII-A-3 Approval is requested to continue the Doctor of Philosophy in Biostatistics at the University of Nebraska Medical Center and to forward the associated review report and monitoring plan to the Coordinating Commission for Postsecondary Education

University of Nebraska at Omaha

VIII-A-4 Approval is requested to continue the Bachelor of Arts in Women’s and Gender Studies at the University of Nebraska at Omaha and to forward the associated review report and monitoring plan to the Coordinating Commission for Postsecondary Education

B. BUSINESS AFFAIRS

University of Nebraska

VIII-B-1 Authorize the President to expand application of RP-3.3.12 Crisis Leave Sharing Policy to address regular and temporary employee needs related to COVID19, and ratify such expanded application, effective April 21, 2020

University of Nebraska-Lincoln

VIII-B-2 Approve the reappointment of Ronnie Green, Larry Miller, Bob Wilhelm, and Michael Yanney as members of the “Class C” Directors of the NICDC Board of Directors for three-year terms effective July 1, 2020
Action  

IX. UNIVERSITY ADMINISTRATIVE AGENDA

A. ACADEMIC AFFAIRS

University of Nebraska

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University of Nebraska-Lincoln

Motion  
Moved by Beal and seconded by Kenney to approve item IX-A-2

IX-A-2 Approval is requested to establish the Center for Resilience in Agricultural Working Landscapes to be managed by the Institute of Agriculture and Natural Resources (IANR) at the University of Nebraska-Lincoln (UNL)

Action  

University of Nebraska Medical Center

Motion  
Moved by Schroeder and seconded by O’Connor to approve item IX-A-3

IX-A-3 Approval is requested to establish the Center for Intelligent Health Care at the University of Nebraska Medical Center (UNMC)

Action  

Motion  
Moved by Miller and seconded by Schafer to approve item IX-A-4

IX-A-4 Approval is requested to discontinue the Nebraska Center for Cellular Signaling in the College of Dentistry at the University of Nebraska Medical Center (UNMC)

Action  

B. BUSINESS AFFAIRS

Motion  
Moved by Moore and seconded by Phares 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) 2020-21 Allocation for the University of Nebraska at Kearney (UNK)
IX-B-2 Approve the Fund B University Program and Facilities Fees (UPFF) 2020-21 Allocation for the University of Nebraska-Lincoln (UNL)

IX-B-3 Approve the Fund B, University Program and Facilities Fee (UPFF) 2020-21 Allocation for the University of Nebraska Medical Center (UNMC)

IX-B-4 Approve the Fund B, University Program and Facilities Fees (UPFF) 2020-21 Allocation for the University of Nebraska Omaha (UNO)


Motion Moved by Clare and seconded by Miller to approve item IX-B-5 and IX-B-6

IX-B-5 Approve the University of Nebraska’s FY2020-21 Operating Budget. Reappropriate with the State of Nebraska’s Department of Administrative Services and unexpended balances existing on June 30, 2020 that are committed to be spent in FY 2020-21

IX-B-6 Approve the Nebraska College of Technical Agriculture’s FY 2020-21 Operating Budget. Reappropriate with the State of Nebraska’s Department of Administrative Services any unexpended balances existing on June 30, 2020 that are committed to be spent in FY 2020-21

There was discussion


University of Nebraska

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

IX-B-7 Approve RP-3.3.14 Financial Measures – Workforce and Cost Savings, providing the President and his designees the explicit authority and flexibility to implement cost saving personnel measures in response to financial shortfalls, provided that such measures are consistent with the law and the Bylaws of the Board of Regents


Motion Moved by Kenney and seconded by O’Connor to approve IX-B-8

IX-B-8 Approve the Sale of Unused Educational Broadband Service Spectrum Licenses

There was discussion


Motion Moved by Moore and seconded by Weitz to approve item IX-B-9
IX-B-9  Approve agreement with Insight for the Microsoft Campus Agreement


Motion  Moved by Schroeder and seconded by Schafer to approved item IX-B-10

University of Nebraska-Lincoln

IX-B-10  Approve a five-year contract extension with Follett Higher Education Group, Inc. to Lease and Operate the UNL Bookstore

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-C-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 Reports for the period January through March 2020

IX-D-2  Expedited Approval of the Supply Chain Analytics Graduate Certificate in the Department of Supply Chain Management and Analytics in the College of Business at the University of Nebraska-Lincoln (UNL)

IX-D-3  Expedited Approval of the Literature and Culture Graduate Certificate in the Department of English in the College of Arts and Sciences at the University of Nebraska at Omaha (UNO)

IX-D-4  Expedited Approval of the Secondary Mathematics Specialist Graduate Certificate in the Department of Mathematics in the College of Arts and Sciences at the University of Nebraska at Omaha (UNO)

IX-D-5  Renaming the College of Education to the College of Education, Health, and Human Sciences at the University of Nebraska at Omaha (UNO)

IX-D-6  Renaming the Master of Arts in Geography to the Master of Science in Geography in the Department of Geography and Geology in the College of Arts and Sciences at the University of Nebraska at Omaha (UNO)
IX-D-7 Renaming the Master of Arts in Social Gerontology to the Master of Arts in Gerontology in the Department of Gerontology in the College of Public Affairs and Community Service (CPACS) at the University of Nebraska at Omaha (UNO)

IX-D-8 Laboratory, Student, and Miscellaneous Fees for 2020-2021

IX-D-9 Change to the Fall 2020 Academic Calendar for University of Nebraska (NU) Campuses

IX-D-10 Intermediate Design Report: University of Nebraska-Lincoln, Nebraska Hall renovation for Enterprise Technology Services and Data Solutions

IX-D-11 Emergency Approval University of Nebraska at Kearney Dinning Services Contract Amendment with Sodexo, America, LLC

IX-D-12 Renaming of the Leon S. McGoogan Library of Medicine and Selected spaces within the McGoogan Library of Medicine in Wittson Hall at the University of Nebraska Medical Center, pursuant to Board of Regents Policy RP-6.2.7.6

IX-D-13 Quarterly Status of Capital Construction Projects

IX-D-14 Bids and Contracts

IX-D-15 Quarterly Report of Gifts, Grants, Contracts and Bequests

IX-D-16 Strategic Framework Report on State Funding and Tuition Accountability Measures

IX-D-17 Revisions to the Bylaws of the Hixson-Lied College of Fine and Performing Arts at the University of Nebraska-Lincoln

IX-D-18 Revisions to the Rules of the Faculty Assembly of the University of Nebraska Medical Center College of Dentistry

IX-D-19 Revisions to Structure, Rules and Regulations of the Faculty of the College of Allied Health Professions (CAHP) at the University of Nebraska Medical Center

Chairman Pillen accepted the reports on behalf of the Board.

X. ADDITIONAL BUSINESS

Chairman Pillen invited Chancellors Kristensen, Green and Gold to make a few remarks with respect to the impact of COVID 19 on their campuses and the upcoming academic year.
XI. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned by Chairman Pillen at 11:21 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

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Carmen K. Maurer James D. Pillen, Chair
Corporation Secretary
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 Friday, June 26, 2020, at 9:00 a.m. by remote electronic means as provided for in Governor Ricketts’ Executive Order No. 20-24. Internet stream is available at https://nebraska.edu.

The full agenda for the meeting is available by contacting the office of the Corporation Secretary of the Board of Regents, Varner Hall, 3835 Holdrege Street, Lincoln, Nebraska, at corpsec@nebraska.edu or at https://nebraska.edu/regents/agendas-minutes

Any member of the public wishing to speak in the Public Comment portion of the meeting must contact the Office of the Corporation Secretary no less than 24 hours prior to the commencement of the meeting. The public may so contact the Office of the Corporation Secretary by leaving a voice mail message with his/her name and phone number at which he/she can be reached at 402-472-7146 or by e-mailing the same information to adibbert@nebraska.edu. Upon receipt of such notice, the Office of the Corporation Secretary will provide instruction on remote participation in this public meeting.

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 19, 2020

Carmen K. Maurer
Corporation Secretary
Board of Regents
University of Nebraska