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, August 13, 2021, at 9:00 a.m. in the Boardroom at Varner Hall, 3835 Holdrege Street, Lincoln, Nebraska.

In accordance with the requirements of Section 7.2 of the Standing Rules of the Board of Regents and Section 1.11 of the Bylaws of the Board of Regents, notice is hereby given that at the above-described meeting, amendments to the Standing Rules shall be proposed, as indicated in the attached agenda item. An agenda of subjects not related to the proposed Standing Rules amendments will be subsequently posted in accordance with the law, the Bylaws, and rules which govern the Board of Regents. When so posted, the full agenda for the meeting, will be available for inspection in the office of the Corporation Secretary of the Board of Regents at Varner Hall, 3835 Holdrege Street, Lincoln, Nebraska and at https://nebraska.edu/regents/agendas-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: August 2, 2021

Philip J. Bakken
Corporation Secretary
Board of Regents
University of Nebraska
TO: The Board of Regents

Executive Committee

MEETING DATE: August 13, 2021

SUBJECT: Amendment of the Standing Rules of the Board of Regents

RECOMMENDED ACTION: Approve the proposed amendments of the Standing Rules of the Board of Regents

PREVIOUS ACTION: June 25, 2021 – The proposed amendments of the Standing Rules were presented for information only in accordance with the requirements of Section 7.2 of the Standing Rules and Section 1.11 of the Bylaws of the Board of Regents.

October 8, 2020 – The Standing Rules were last amended.

EXPLANATION: On April 21, 2021, Governor Ricketts approved LB83, which permits public entities subject to the Nebraska Open Meetings Act to hold up to half of their meetings by virtual conferencing during a calendar year. The attached amendments set forth a process by which Regents may request virtual attendance at a meeting of the Board of Regents.

SPONSOR: Executive Committee
Board of Regents

RECOMMENDED: Walter E. Carter, President
University of Nebraska

DATE: July 29, 2021
SECTION 2. Meetings of the Board.

2.1 Annual Meeting. The Board shall hold its annual meeting as required by Section 1.4 of its Bylaws.

2.2 Additional Meetings. The Board may hold such additional meetings during the year as it deems necessary, either as scheduled meetings or as emergency meetings called at the request of the Chairperson or by any two voting members of the Board.

2.3 Location of Meetings. The Board shall normally meet in the Boardroom at Varner Hall, 3835 Holdrege Street, Lincoln, Nebraska. The Board may, however, meet at other locations as desired.

2.4 Notice for Annual and Scheduled Meetings. Public notice of each annual meeting and any scheduled meeting shall be given at least five (5) days prior to the meeting; provided, that public notice of any item scheduled for public hearing before the Board shall be given at least ten (10) days prior to the date of the hearing. The Corporation Secretary shall maintain a list of news media which have requested advance notification of Board meetings and shall provide advance notification to them of the time and place of each annual and scheduled meeting and the agenda for any such meeting.

2.5 Notice of Emergency Meetings. When it is necessary to hold an emergency meeting without the advance public notice provided in Section 2.4 of these Rules, the Corporation Secretary shall make a reasonable effort to contact those members of the news media who have requested notification of Board meetings and advise them of the agenda for the emergency meeting.

2.6 Virtual Meetings. In the absence of an emergency declared by the Governor, meetings of the Board ordinarily will be conducted in person. Upon written application to and approval by the Chairperson, individual Board members may attend by virtual conferencing. Applications for virtual attendance should be for good cause, such as sickness, military orders, required business travel, or other essential reasons and shall be submitted to the Chairperson at least ten (10) days prior to the date of the meeting at which virtual attendance is requested. Unless pursuant to an emergency declared by the Governor, no more than one-half of the meetings of the Board during any calendar year will be conducted with one or more voting members of the Board in virtual attendance.

2.76 Scheduling and General Conduct of Meetings. All meetings of the Board shall be scheduled and conducted in ways which are consistent with the Bylaws of the Board, these Rules, and the Nebraska Open Meetings Act, Neb. Rev. Stat. §§ 84-1408 to 84-1414.