

Lincoln, Nebraska
November 21, 2025

SPECIAL MEETING OF THE BOARD OF REGENTS OF THE
UNIVERSITY OF NEBRASKA

Notice was given in accordance with subsection (5) of Neb. Rev. Stat. § 84-1411 of the special meeting held by the Board of Regents of the University of Nebraska on November 21, 2025 at 12:00 p.m. in the Boardroom at Varner Hall, 3835 Holdrege Street, Lincoln, Nebraska. The special meeting was held in a publicly convened session, and by remote electronic means pursuant to Neb. Rev. Stat. § 84-1411, 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 56).

The nature of the business for this special meeting was to Recognize and approve the consolidation of the University of Nebraska—Lincoln and the University of Nebraska Medical Center into a single HLC-accredited administrative unit (the University of Nebraska). On behalf of the Board, the President is authorized to designate a formal date of this transaction.

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 November 14, 2025.

Regents present:

Timothy Clare (joined via zoom.)
Paul Kenney, Chair
Elizabeth O'Connor
Robert Schafer
Jim Scheer, Vice Chair
Jack Stark
Barbara Weitz
Kathy Wilmot
Sam Schroeder, University of Nebraska-Kearney
Libby Wilkins, University of Nebraska-Lincoln (joined via zoom)
Drew Leisy, University of Nebraska-Omaha
Brock Calamari, University of Nebraska Medical Center

University officials present:

Jeffrey P. Gold, President
David Jackson, Interim Executive Vice President and Provost
Katie Hoffman, Corporation Secretary
Neal Schnoor, Chancellor University of Nebraska at Kearney
Rodney D. Bennett, Chancellor, University of Nebraska-Lincoln
Dele H. Davies, Interim Chancellor, University of Nebraska Medical Center
Joanne Li, Chancellor, University of Nebraska at Omaha
Anne Barnes, Vice President and Chief Financial Officer
Bren Chambers, Vice President and General Counsel
Chris Kratochvil, Vice President for External Relations

Tiffany Heng-Moss, Interim Vice President, NU; Harlan Vice Chancellor, IANR Office of Vice Pres/Vice Chancellor

I. CALL TO ORDER

II. ROLL CALL

The Board convened at 12:00 a.m. Attendance is indicated above.

III. APPROVAL OF MINUTES AND RATIFICATION OF ACTIONS TAKEN ON October 3, 2025

Motion Moved by Scheer and seconded by Weitz to approve the minutes and ratify the actions of the meetings on October 3, 2025.

Action Student Opinion: Voting Aye: Calamari, Wilkins, Schroeder, Leisy. Voting Aye: Kenney, O'Connor, Schafer, Scheer, Stark, Weitz, Wilmot, Clare. Motion carried.

IV. PUBLIC COMMENT

John Schrader addressed the Board regarding the UNL budget reductions and HLC application.

Blake Aspen addressed the Board regarding the UNL budget cuts specifically to the department of Earth and Atmospheric Sciences.

Susan Vanderplas addressed the Board regarding the UNL budget cuts & cuts to UNL Statistics Department specifically.

V. UNIVERSITY ADMINISTRATIVE AGENDA

A. ACADEMIC AFFAIRS
University of Nebraska

1. Recognize and approve the consolidation of the University of Nebraska—Lincoln and the University of Nebraska Medical Center into a single HLC-accredited administrative unit (the University of Nebraska). On behalf of the Board, the President is authorized to designate a formal date of this transaction between November 20, 2025, and July 1, 2026, Addendum V-A-1

Motion Moved by Schafer and seconded by Clare to approve V-A-1.

Action Student Opinion: Voting Aye: Wilkins, Schroeder, Leisy, Calamari. Voting Aye: O'Connor, Schafer, Scheer, Stark, Weitz, Wilmot, Clare, Kenney. Motion carried.

VI. CLOSED SESSION

Motion Moved by Scheer and seconded by Schroeder that the Board go into closed session as authorized by Neb. Rev. Stat. § 84-1410 of the Revised Statutes of Nebraska for the protection of the public interest, and to prevent needless injury to the reputation of persons who have not requested a public hearing, for the purpose of holding a discussion limited to the following subjects:

- Real Estate Transactions
- Personnel Matters

Action

Student Opinion: Voting Aye: Schroeder, Leisy, Calamari, Wilkins. Voting Aye: Schafer, Scheer, Stark, Weitz, Wilmot, Clare, Kenney, O'Connor. Motion carried.

The Board went into closed session at 12:41 p.m.

The Board reconvened the open meeting at 2:41 p.m.

VII.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned by Chair Kenney at 2:41 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Katie Hoffman
Corporation Secretary

Paul Kenney
Chair of the Board



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, November 21, 2025 at 12:00 p.m. in the Boardroom at Varner Hall, 3835 Holdrege Street, Lincoln, Nebraska, and by remote electronic means pursuant to Neb. Rev. Stat. § 84-1411. Internet stream is available at <https://nebraska.edu>.

The business to be conducted by the Board of Regents at such special meeting will be to review and approve the consolidation action as granted by HLC. An agenda shall be kept on a continually current basis is 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>.

Members of the public wishing to address the Board with respect to items on the Agenda will continue to follow the provisions of Standing Rule 5.1. Members of the public wishing to address the Board during the Public Comment portion on items not on the Agenda, and any member of the public wishing to speak via remote participation during 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 402-472-3906 or by e-mailing the same information to corpsec@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 System.

Dated: November 14, 2025

Katie Hoffman, Corporation Secretary
Board of Regents of the University of Nebraska

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