The Board of Regents of the University of Nebraska met on January 29, 2016, at 10:00 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.

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 January 21, 2016.

Regents present:
Timothy Clare
Hal Daub
Howard Hawks
Bob Phares
Jim Pillen
Robert Schafer
Kent Schroeder, Chairman
Bob Whitehouse, Vice Chairman
Andrew Shaw, University of Nebraska Medical Center
Evan Calhoun, University of Nebraska at Kearney
Thien Chau, University of Nebraska-Lincoln
Brock Lewis, 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
John E. Christensen, Chancellor, University of Nebraska at Omaha
Jeffrey P. Gold, Chancellor, University of Nebraska Medical Center
Douglas A. Kristensen, Chancellor, University of Nebraska at Kearney
Harvey S. Perlman, Chancellor, University of Nebraska-Lincoln
David E. Lechner, Senior Vice President for Business and Finance | CFO
Joel D. Pedersen, Vice President and General Counsel
Ronnie D. Green, Vice President for Agriculture and Natural Resources
Matthew C. Hammons, Interim Vice President for University Affairs

I. CALL TO ORDER

II. ROLL CALL

The Board convened at 10:00 a.m. in the Board room of Varner Hall, 3835 Holdrege Street, Lincoln, Nebraska on January 29, 2016. Attendance is indicated above.

III. APPROVAL OF MINUTES AND RATIFICATION OF ACTIONS

Motion Moved by Daub and seconded by Clare to approve the minutes and ratify the actions of the regularly scheduled meeting on December 3, 2015.


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

IV. SUCCESSION OF CHAIR; ELECTION OF VICE CHAIR

Regent Schroeder succeeded to Chair of the Board as defined in Section 1.2 of the Standing Rules of the Board of Regents.

Chairman Schroeder recognized Regent Phares’ past service as Chairman of the Board.
Motion

Moved by Clare and seconded by Daub to nominate Regent Whitehouse for the position of Vice Chairman of the Board. There being no further nominations, Chairman Schroeder declared the nominations closed and called for a roll-call vote.

Action


V.

KUDOS

Regent Chau presented a KUDOS award to Diane Ciecior, Senior Accountant in Financial Services at the University of Nebraska-Lincoln.

Regent Calhoun presented a KUDOS award to Fauncil Meier, Executive Assistant to the Vice Chancellor for Business and Finance at the University of Nebraska at Kearney.

Regent Shaw presented a KUDOS award to Joanne Watkins, Benefits Specialist in the Benefits Department and the University of Nebraska Medical Center.

Regent Phares presented a KUDOS award to Erin Owen, Executive Director of University Communications at the University of Nebraska at Omaha.

VI.

RESOLUTIONS

None

VII.

HEARINGS

None

VIII.

PUBLIC COMMENT

None

IX.

CONSENT AGENDA

Motion

Moved by Hawks and seconded by Daub to approve items IX-A-1 and IX-B-1

A. ACADEMIC AFFAIRS

IX-A-1

President’s Personnel Recommendations

B. BUSINESS AFFAIRS

University of Nebraska at Kearney

IX-B-1

Approve the renaming of the Frank House to the “G. W. Frank Museum of History and Culture”

Action


X.

ADMINISTRATIVE AGENDA

A. ACADEMIC AFFAIRS

Motion

Moved by Hawks and seconded by Phares to approve item X-A-1

X-A-1

Approval is requested to establish the Department of Supply Chain Management and Analytics in the College of Business Administration at the University of Nebraska-Lincoln

Action

Motion Moved by Daub and seconded by Clare to approve item X-A-2

X-A-2 Approval is requested to establish the Fredrick F. Paustian Center for IBD in the College of Medicine at the University of Nebraska Medical Center


Motion Moved by Pillen and seconded by Daub to approve item X-A-3

X-A-3 Approval is requested to create a Master of Medical Nutrition (MMN) degree in the College of Allied Health Professions at the University of Nebraska Medical Center

There was discussion


Motion Moved by Hawks and seconded by Clare to approve item X-A-4

X-A-4 Approval is requested to separate the existing Department of Sociology, Geography and Earth Science into two departments: the Department of Geography and the Department of Sociology in the College of Natural and Social Sciences at the University of Nebraska at Kearney


Motion Moved by Daub and seconded by Phares to approve item X-A-5

X-A-5 Approve the award of Honorary Degrees and Awards [Please note: this item will be voted on after the Closed Session]

B. BUSINESS AFFAIRS

Motion Moved by Daub and seconded by Whitehouse to approve item X-B-1

University of Nebraska

X-B-1 Accept the audited financial statements of the University of Nebraska and related entities

There was discussion


Motion Moved by Clare and seconded by Daub to approve item X-B-2

X-B-2 Approve the purchase of new equipment for the University of Nebraska Core Network Upgrade

There was discussion


Motion Moved by Hawks and seconded by Phares to approve item X-B-3

University of Nebraska-Lincoln

X-B-3 Approve Phase II tenant improvements to build out Innovation Studio at Nebraska Innovation Campus

There was discussion
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Motion  
Moved by Hawks and seconded by Clare to approve item X-B-4

X-B-4  
Approve a five-year contract with Anthony Travel to manage travel services for UNL Athletics

There was discussion

Motion  
Moved by Schafer to table the item.

Action  

Motion  
Moved by Schafer to amend the term of the contract to a two year term with an option to extend for an additional two years. Motion failed for lack of a second.

Motion to Amend  
Moved by Phares and seconded by Hawks to amend the original motion to the effect that the contract shall include a termination provision that allows for termination without cause upon a period of notice, the length of such notice period to be mutually agreed upon by the parties to the contract. The President and the Chancellor of the University of Nebraska-Lincoln shall review and agree to the contract amendment on behalf of the University. Further, the effective date of the contract shall be the date upon which it is fully executed. Daub called for the question.

Action on Motion to Amend  

Action on Original Motion as Amended  

Motion  
Moved by Whitehouse and seconded by Clare to approve item X-B-5

X-B-5  
Approve the naming of the Love North addition at the University of Nebraska-Lincoln the “Adele Coryell Hall Learning Commons”

There was discussion

Action  

Motion  
Moved by Pillen and seconded by Clare to approve items X-B-6 and X-B-7

University of Nebraska Medical Center

X-B-6  
Approve the project and budget for the 2016 Utility Infrastructure Upgrade Project on the UNMC campus

X-B-7  
Approve the Resolution relating to the Utility Infrastructure Upgrade Project at the University of Nebraska Medical Center which (1) approves the issuance of not to exceed $15,500,000 principal amount of UNMC Utility Infrastructure Upgrade Project Bonds, Series 2016 by The University Nebraska Facilities Corporation pursuant to a Bond Resolution, and (2) authorizes the execution and delivery of a Financing Agreement, a Continuing Disclosure Agreement, a Tax Compliance Agreement, an Inducement Letter and a Preliminary Official Statement in connection with the sale of such Bonds, (3) authorizes the sale of such Bonds at a negotiated sale pursuant to a Bond Purchase Agreement and authorizes the Senior Vice President | CFO to determine interest rates (not to exceed a true interest cost of 3%), principal amounts, principal maturities and redemption provisions of such Bonds, and (4) approves the preparation and use of a final Official Statement.
Motion  Moved by Pillen and seconded by Hawks to approve item X-B-8 

X-B-8  Approve the selection of Clark Enersen Partners and RDG Planning and Design to provide design consultant services for the new Global Center for Advanced Interprofessional Learning, at the University of Nebraska Medical Center campus  
There was discussion 

Motion  Moved by Phares and seconded by Clare to approve item X-B-9 

X-B-9  Approve the purchase of four mobile simulation labs  
There was discussion 

Motion  Moved by Daub and seconded by Hawks to approve item X-B-10 

X-B-10  Approve the Resolution authorizing the expenditure of $1,020,000 from the Bond Surplus/Replacement Funds to make student housing, student facilities and parking improvements  
There was discussion 

Motion  Moved by Hawks and seconded by Phares to approve item X-B-11 

X-B-11  Approve the Residence Hall Room and Board Rates for the Academic Year 2016-17 at the Nebraska College of Technical Agriculture  

C. FOR INFORMATION ONLY  
X-C-1  University of Nebraska Strategic Planning Framework  
X-C-2  University of Nebraska Strategic Framework Accountability Measures  
X-C-3  Calendar of establishing and reporting accountability measures  
X-C-4  University of Nebraska Strategic Dashboard Indicators  
X-C-5  Board of Regents agenda items related to the University of Nebraska Strategic Framework  

D. REPORTS  
X-D-1  Quarterly Personnel Reports for the period July through September 2015  
X-D-2  Tuition variances  
X-D-3  Fall 2015 Annual Tenure Density Report
X-D-4 Strategic Framework report on Faculty Diversity [2-a-iii]
X-D-5 Expedited Approval of the Space Law Executive Certificate in the College of Law at the University of Nebraska-Lincoln
X-D-6 Expedited Approval of the Cyber and Cyber Security Law Executive Certificate in the College of Law at the University of Nebraska-Lincoln
X-D-7 Expedited Approval of the Cyber and Telecommunications Law Executive Certificate in the College of Law at the University of Nebraska-Lincoln
X-D-8 Quarterly Report on Gift, Grants, Contracts and Bequests
X-D-9 Bids and Contracts
X-D-10 Report on Debt Refinancing at the University of Nebraska at Omaha
X-D-11 Renaming the Seven Buildings at University Village at the University of Nebraska at Omaha
X-D-12 Naming the coffee shop in Mammel Hall “Stedman’s Café” at the University of Nebraska at Omaha

Chairman Schroeder accepted the reports on behalf of the Board

XI. ADDITIONAL BUSINESS

Motion Moved by Daub and seconded by Lewis that the Board go into closed session as authorized by Neb. Rev. Stat. § 84-1410 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:

a. Strategy session on real estate transfers and acquisitions;
b. Strategy session on gifts to the University;
c. Strategy session on litigation; and
d. Honorary Degrees.

Chairman Schroeder declared that the closed session would be strictly limited to a discussion of:

a. Strategy session on real estate transfers and acquisitions;
b. Strategy session on gifts to the University;
c. Strategy session on litigation; and
d. Honorary Degrees.


The Board went into closed session at 11:30 a.m. The Board reconvened the open meeting at 11:45 a.m.

Motion Moved by Daub and seconded by Phares to approve item X-A-5

X-A-5 Approve the award of Honorary Degrees and Awards

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned by Chairman Schroeder at 11:47 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

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Carmen K. Maurer
Corporation Secretary

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Kent A. Schroeder
Chairman of the Board