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The Board of Regents of the University of Nebraska met on October 19, 2001 at 1:30 p.m. in the Board Room at Varner Hall, 3835 Holdrege, Lincoln, Nebraska, in 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. Section 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, Daily Nebraskan, The Gateway, The Antelope, Kearney Hub and Omaha World Herald on October 8, 2001.

Regents present:

Don S. Blank
Nathan Fuerst
Chuck Hassebrook
Jay Matzke
Drew Miller
Nancy L. O'Brien
Mallory Prucha
Ryan Samuelson
Kent Schroeder, Vice Chair
Charles S. Wilson, Chair
Javine Winterboer

University officials present:

L. Dennis Smith, President
Lee B. Jones, Executive Vice President and Provost
Nancy Belck, Chancellor, UNO
Harold Maurer, Chancellor, UNMC
Gladys S. Johnston, Chancellor, UNK
Harvey S. Perlman, Chancellor, UNL
John Owens, Vice President and Vice Chancellor for Agriculture and Natural Resources
Kim M. Robak, Vice President for External Affairs and Corporation Secretary
David Lechner, Vice President for Business and Finance
Richard R. Wood, Vice President and General Counsel

I. **CALL TO ORDER**

II. **ROLL CALL**

The Board convened at 1:30 p.m. in the Board Room at Varner Hall, 3835 Holdrege, Lincoln, Nebraska, Friday, October 19, 2001. Attendance is indicated above. Regent Ferlic was absent.

III. **APPROVAL OF MINUTES AND RATIFICATION OF ACTIONS**

Motion Moved by Matzke and seconded by Samuelson to approve the minutes and ratify the actions of the regularly scheduled meeting of September 7, 2001.

Action Student Opinion: Aye: Prucha, Samuelson, Winterboer, and Fuerst. Voting Aye: Hassebrook, Matzke, Miller, O'Brien, Schroeder, Wilson, and Blank. Voting Nay: None. Absent: Ferlic. Motion carried.

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IV. **KUDOS**

Regent Blank presented a KUDOS award to Greg A. Gray, Lotus Notes Administrator in the Advanced Systems Administration section of the University of Nebraska's Computing Services Network.

Regent Samuelson presented a KUDOS award to Dixie Larson, Staff Secretary in the Office of Affirmative Action and Equal Opportunity at the University of Nebraska at Kearney.

Regent Fuerst presented a KUDOS award to Kim Peterson, Communications Associate at the Institute of Agriculture and Natural Resources's South Central Research and Extension Center at Clay Center.

Regent O'Brien presented a KUDOS award to Sue Walker, Business Operations Coordinator in the Division of Continuing Studies at the University of Nebraska-Lincoln.

Regent Prucha presented a KUDOS award to Jeffrey Kirschner, Information Specialist in the Customer Services Center at the University of Nebraska Medical Center.

Regent Winterboer presented a KUDOS award to Kathy Austin, Administrator of the Department of Ophthalmology in the College of Medicine at the University of Nebraska Medical Center.

Chancellor Belck introduced Dr. Robert Chrisman, Chair of the Black Studies Program at the University of Nebraska at Omaha. Belck also acknowledged Dr. Joe White who was integral in helping to recruit Dr. Chrisman. Chairman Wilson extended the Board's welcome to Dr. Chrisman.

V. **STRATEGIC OR POLICY ISSUE**

President Smith introduced the topic of Quality Outcomes and Quality Improvement Strategies with specific regard to the University of Nebraska at Kearney and the University of Nebraska at Omaha. Chancellor Gladys Styles Johnston, University of Nebraska at Kearney, and Chancellor Nancy Belck, University of Nebraska at Omaha, spoke to the Board. Johnston and Belck made a PowerPoint presentation on the campuses' vision, quality strategic goals, quality indicator assessments, documented statistics of improvement, and future quality improvements within the respective vision of each campus. (See documents file for PowerPoint presentation.)

Discussion was held.

The Board recessed at 2:52 p.m. and reconvened at 2:57 p.m.

VI. **HEARINGS**

None.

VII. **PUBLIC COMMENT**

Dr. Everett Reynolds, NAACP, spoke regarding the Black Studies Program at the University of Nebraska at Omaha. (For Dr. Reynolds' handout, see document file.)

VIII. **COMMITTEE REPORTS**

Athletic and Business Affairs

Chairman Wilson reported that the committee met earlier in the day and discussed the topics of Internet ticket sales and E-Business.

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Academic Affairs

Chairman Wilson reported that the committee met earlier in the day and had a constructive conversation with members of the State Board of Education.

IX. **UNIVERSITY CONSENT AGENDA**

Moved by Miller and seconded by O'Brien to approve items IX-A-1, IX-A-2, IX-A-3, IX-A-4, IX-B-1, IX-B-2, IX-B-3, IX-B-4, IX-B-5, IX-B-6, IX-B-7, and IX-B-8.

A. ACADEMIC

IX-A-1 President's Personnel Recommendations

University of Nebraska-Lincoln

Leaves of Absence

John Bender, Associate Professor (Continuous), News-Editorial; Faculty Development Fellowship with full pay effective 01/02/02 to 05/17/02, \$60,267 AY current salary, 1.00 FTE.

Michael Combs, Professor (Continuous), Political Science; Faculty Development Fellowship with full pay effective 01/02/02 to 05/17/02, \$62,267 AY current salary, 1.00 FTE.

Sean Courtney, Associate Professor (Continuous), Educational Psychology; leave without pay effective 11/01/01 to 05/17/02, \$50,762 AY current salary, 1.00 FTE.

Richard A. Dienstbier, Professor (Continuous), Psychology; Faculty Development Fellowship with full pay effective 01/02/02 to 05/17/02, \$84,459 AY current salary, 1.00 FTE.

Eddie Dominguez, Assistant Professor (Specific Term), Art and Art History, leave without pay effective 01/02/02 to 05/17/02, \$53,151 AY current salary, 1.00 FTE.

Amy Goodburn, Associate Professor (Continuous), English; Faculty Development Fellowship with full pay effective 01/02/02 to 05/17/02, \$54,502 AY current salary, 1.00 FTE.

F. Gregory Hayden, Professor (Continuous), Economics; Faculty Development Fellowship with full pay effective 01/02/02 to 05/17/02, \$96,756 AY current salary, 1.00 FTE.

Kenneth Kiewra, Professor (Continuous), Educational Psychology; Faculty Development Fellowship with full pay effective 01/02/02 to 05/17/02, \$66,778 AY current salary, 1.00 FTE.

Suping Lu, Associate Professor (Continuous), Central Reference Services (Libraries); Faculty Development Fellowship with full pay effective 01/02/02 to 06/30/02, \$43,362 FY current salary, 1.00 FTE.

Eugene Martin, Associate Professor (Continuous), School of Biological Sciences; Faculty Development Fellowship with full pay effective 01/02/02 to 05/17/02, \$51,247 AY current salary, 1.00 FTE.

Adelaida Martinez, Professor (Continuous), Modern Languages & Literatures; Faculty Development Fellowship with full pay effective 01/02/02 to 05/17/02, \$76,142 AY current salary, 1.00 FTE.

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Ann Mari May, Associate Professor (Continuous), Economics; Faculty Development Fellowship with full pay effective 01/02/02 to 05/17/02, \$73,338 AY current salary, 1.00 FTE.

Oscar Pereira, Associate Professor (Continuous), Modern Languages & Literatures; Faculty Development Fellowship with full pay effective 01/02/02 to 05/17/02, \$45,380 AY current salary, 1.00 FTE.

Matthew P. Schaefer, Associate Professor (Continuous), Law; leave without pay effective 01/02/02 to 05/17/02, \$79,962 AY current salary, 1.00 FTE.

Paul Shoemaker, Associate Professor (Continuous), School of Accountancy, Nebraska Society of CPA's College Professor of Accountancy; Faculty Development Fellowship with full pay effective 01/02/02 to 05/17/02, \$101,132 AY current salary, 1.00 FTE.

Thomas Shores, Professor (Continuous), Mathematics and Statistics; Faculty Development Fellowship with full pay effective 01/02/02 to 05/17/02, \$75,500 AY current salary, 1.00 FTE.

Ravipreet Sohi, Associate Professor (Continuous), Marketing; Faculty Development Fellowship with full pay effective 01/02/02 to 5/17/02, \$91,015, AY current salary, 1.00 FTE.

John A. Smith, Professor (Continuous), Biological Systems Engineering (Panhandle Research and Extension Center); Faculty Development Fellowship with full pay effective 05/01/02 to 10/31/02, \$92,924 FY current salary, 1.00 FTE.

James Takacs, Professor (Continuous), Chemistry; Faculty Development Fellowship with full pay effective 01/02/02 to 05/17/02 \$89,362 AY current salary, 1.00 FTE.

Wendy Weiss, Associate Professor, Textiles, Clothing, and Design; Faculty Development Fellowship with half pay effective 01/02/02 to 01/05/03 \$56,908 AY current salary, 1.00 FTE.

John Wunder, Professor (Continuous), History; leave without pay effective 01/02/02 to 05/17/02, \$108,296 AY current salary, 1.00 FTE.

Adjustment

Nebraska College of Technical Agriculture

Don A. Woodburn, Dean (Special), Nebraska College of Technical Agriculture, effective 10/20/01, \$119,750 (includes \$8,250 administrative stipend), 1.00 FTE. Add administrative stipend.

University of Nebraska Medical Center

Leave of Absence

Jaswant Singh, Assistant Professor (Special), Biochemistry and Molecular Biology; leave of absence without pay, effective 01/11/02 to 03/10/02, \$48,300 FY current salary, 1.00 FTE.

University of Nebraska at Omaha

Leaves of Absence

Hassan Farhat, Associate Professor (Continuous), Computer Science; Faculty Development Fellowship with full pay, effective 01/02/02 to 05/17/02, \$71,791 AY, 1.00 FTE.

Susan Jacobs, Associate Professor (Continuous), Criminal Justice; Leave of absence without pay, effective 01/02/02 to 05/17/02, \$64,775 AY, 1.00 FTE.

Graham Mitenko, Associate Professor (Continuous), Finance, Banking and Law; Faculty Development Fellowship with full pay, effective 01/02/02 to 05/17/02, \$85,842 AY, 1.00 FTE.

Petr Pavlinek, Associate Professor (Continuous), Geography/Geology; Leave of absence without pay effective 11/01/01 to 05/31/02, \$45,957 AY, 1.00 FTE.

Russell Smith, Associate Professor (Continuous) and Chairperson (Special), Public Administration; Faculty Development Fellowship with full pay, effective 01/02/02 to 05/17/02, \$96,595 FY (including \$4,800 administrative stipend), 1.00 FTE. (Leave salary excludes administrative stipend.)

Jay White, Professor (Continuous), Public Administration; Faculty Development Fellowship with full pay, effective 01/02/02 to 05/17/02, \$70,381 AY, 1.00 FTE.

- IX-A-2 Approve the requests for outside employment at the University of Nebraska at Omaha for Gary Day, Donalyn Heise, Joanne Sowell, and Frances Thurber.
- IX-A-3 Approve the requests for outside employment at the University of Nebraska Medical Center for Peter M. Spalding and Gregory M. Karst, Ph.D.
- IX-A-4 Approve the request for outside employment at the University of Nebraska-Lincoln for Prem S. Paul.

B. BUSINESS

Central Administration

- IX-B-1 Approve amendment of the Regents' Policy (RP 3.2.3) relating to group insurance for persons representing groups or organizations that are ancillary to the University.
- IX-B-2 Approve lease extension for Varner Hall and the expenditure of Othmer Endowment funds as lease payment source.
- IX-B-3 Approve amendment of the University of Nebraska General Self-Insurance Program to provide coverage for Police Officer Criminal Defense claims.

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- IX-B-4 Approve the City Campus Utility Plant Switchgear Replacement Project.
- IX-B-5 Approve a budget increase for the UNL Cedar Point Biological Station Resource Building in the amount of \$35,000.
- IX-B-6 Approve the Resolution to authorize the expenditure of up to \$710,926 from the Surplus Fund of the University of Nebraska-Lincoln Parking Revenue Bonds to improve certain property.

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- IX-B-7 Approve sole source purchase of Tandem Mass Spectrometer, including all hardware, software, installation and system training, from Micromass, Inc., in the amount of \$449,106.
- IX-B-8 Approve the Resolution providing for expenditure of up to \$749,197 from the Replacement Fund of the Student Fees and Facilities Revenue Bonds to make repairs and improvements in the Nebraska Unions and University Housing facilities.
- Discussion was held.
- Action Student Opinion: Aye: Samuelson, Winterboer, Fuerst, and Prucha. Voting Aye: Hassebrook, Matzke, Miller, O'Brien, Schroeder, Wilson, and Blank. Voting Nay: None. Absent: Ferlic. Motion carried.

X. **UNIVERSITY ADMINISTRATIVE AGENDA**

A. **ACADEMIC**

Moved by Winterboer and seconded by Matzke to approve item X-A-1 and X-A-2.

- X-A-1 Approve the proposal to establish a Nebraska Informatics Center for the Life Sciences.
- X-A-2 Approve the request to establish the Nebraska Center for Virology at the University of Nebraska-Lincoln.

Discussion was held.

President Smith announced that he has initiated a Task Force on Bioterrorism. University of Nebraska Medical Center Chancellor Harold Maurer will chair the committee. (See documents file for information on the task force.)

Discussion was held.

- Action Student Opinion: Aye: Winterboer, Fuerst, Prucha, and Samuelson. Voting Aye: Matzke, Miller, O'Brien, Schroeder, Wilson, Blank, and Hassebrook. Voting Nay: None. Absent: Ferlic. Motion carried.

B. **BUSINESS**

None.

C. **FOR INFORMATION ONLY**

None.

D. **REPORTS**

- X-D-1 Design Development for College of Dentistry – Central Sterile and Dispensing Relocation.
- X-D-2 Naming laboratories in the Donald F. Othmer Hall at the University of Nebraska-Lincoln.
- X-D-3 Internal Reallocation Report for Fiscal Year 2000-2001.
- X-D-4 Summary Enrollment Report and Student Credit Hour Report for Fall 2001.
- X-D-5 Auditors' reports and related financial statements for Board of Regents Bond Issues for the year ended June 30, 2001.

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- X-D-6 Auditors' reports and related financial statements for the University Medical Associates for the year ended June 30, 2000.
- X-D-7 Auditors' reports and related financial statements for the University Dental Associates for the year ended June 30, 2000.
- X-D-8 Report on Bids and Contracts for the period ended September 28, 2001.
- X-D-9 Campus Emergency Preparedness and Disaster Recovery Plans.

President Smith stated that each Regent received the campus emergency preparedness and disaster recovery plans for each campus. Smith stated that each campus was going to look into updating any outdated procedures.

Regent Blank expressed his appreciation on item X-D-4 that the figures were extended out for a 10 year comparison. Blank asked for one more column that would show the percentage change in 10 years. Regent Schroeder pointed out some interesting figures on this report.

Chairman Wilson accepted the reports.

XI. **ADDITIONAL BUSINESS**

CLOSED SESSION

Motion Moved by Hassebrook and seconded by Blank that the Board of Regents go into closed session as authorized by Section 84-1410 of the Revised Statutes of Nebraska for the protection of the public interest for the purpose of holding a discussion limited to the matter of protection of physical security of University property.

Action Student Opinion: Aye: Fuerst, Prucha, Samuelson, and Winterboer. Voting Aye: Miller, Schroeder, Wilson, Blank, Hassebrook, and Matzke. Voting Nay: None. Absent: Ferlic and O'Brien. Motion carried.

The Board went into closed session at 3:25 p.m. and reconvened the open meeting at 4:00 p.m.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 4:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Kim M. Robak
Corporation Secretary

Charles S. Wilson
Chair of the Board