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**Minutes of the Seven Hundred Fifty-Ninth Meeting
of the
Oklahoma State Regents for Higher Education
June 26, 2014**

1. **ANNOUNCEMENT OF FILING OF MEETING NOTICE AND POSTING OF THE AGENDA IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE OPEN MEETING ACT.** The Oklahoma State Regents for Higher Education held their regular meeting at 8:30 a.m. on Thursday, June 26, 2014, in the State Regents' Conference Room at the State Regents' offices in Oklahoma City, Oklahoma. Notice of the meeting had been filed with the Secretary of State on June 23, 2014. A copy of the agenda for the meeting had been posted in accordance with the Open Meeting Act.
2. **CALL TO ORDER.** Regent Harrel called the meeting to order and presided. Present for the meeting were State Regents Toney Stricklin, Ron White, Jay Helm, Jody Parker, Ann Holloway, Ike Glass, Jimmy Harrel, and Mike Turpen.
3. **MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETINGS.** Regent Glass made a motion, seconded by Regent Helm, to approve the minutes of the State Regents' Committee-of-the-Whole and the minutes of the State Regents' regular meeting on May 29, 2014, and May 30, 2014. Voting for the motion were Regents White, Helm, Parker, Holloway, Glass, Harrel, Turpen, and Stricklin. Voting against the motion were none.
- 3.1 **EXECUTIVE SESSION.** Regent Helm made a motion, seconded by Regent Turpen, to enter into executive session for confidential communications between the board and its attorneys concerning a pending investigation, claim. Voting for the motion were Regents Helm, Parker, Holloway, Glass, Harrel, Turpen, Stricklin and White. Voting against the motion were none. Following executive session discussions, Regents returned to open session.

4. **REPORT OF THE CHAIRMAN.** Regent Harrel thanked Chancellor Glen Johnson and the Oklahoma State Regents for Higher Education's (OSRHE) staff for the tremendous job done this past year.
5. **REPORT OF THE CHANCELLOR.** Chancellor Glen Johnson thanked Regent Harrel for his chairmanship this past year. He also distributed a recent article from *The Oklahoman* written by Kathryn McNutt focusing on requested tuition increases. Chancellor Johnson provided Regents with a summary of engagements that he attended on behalf of the State Regents. Chancellor Johnson also distributed a memo from the Southern Regional Education Board announcing an initiative focusing on college affordability chaired by Chancellor Johnson. Chancellor Johnson advised Regents of the Employee Recognition Event held on Friday, June 13th, at which State Regents' employees were recognized for their years of service. There were 40 employees recognized at this year's event.
6. **PRESENTATIONS.**
 - a. Dr. Dan Hobbs and Dr. Bob Blackburn gave a brief presentation on *A Short History of the State Regents*. Dr. Bob Blackburn stated that in a partnership with the OSRHE, the Oklahoma History Center (OHC) has been working for the past ten years to collect, preserve and share the history of the OSRHE. With the help of Chancellor Johnson and OSRHE staff, the OHC has interviewed retired presidents and regents to create a history book of the OSRHE. Dr. Dan Hobbs stated that there are eight chapters in the book including 84 biographies and the history of 76 regents and eight chancellors.
 - b. Mr. Ken Parker, co-founder and Chief Executive Officer of NextThought, gave a brief presentation on collaborative online learning. Mr. Parker started by sharing a few thoughts about collaborative learning and technology:
 - (1) Community enriches education;
 - (2) Technology connects people in free and massive ways around the world; and

(3) We can use technology to connect community and education.

Mr. Parker stated that education has two large problems: access and effectiveness. Many do not have access to an effective education and technology can help more now than in the past. Mr. Parker referenced a study done by Dr. Uri Treisman, from the University of California, Berkley, who did an 18 month study after noticing there were two different sets of students in his class, a persistently low-performing group and a high-performing group. Dr. Treisman conducted an 18-month study to analyze the differences between the groups. He found that the difference was community. The low performing group did all their work alone and the high performing group did their work together. Dr. Treisman created the Berkley Math Workshops where learning groups worked together and after five years, he found that students that attended the workshops were 2.5 times more likely to get a B or above in the class and the failure rate plummeted. These results were all due to community, creating a collaborative learning environment.

Mr. Parker also stated that technology can connect people. The internet has a great power to connect people on a massive scale. It can create communities where you can connect with other and you can choose the details; when, where, and how. You can learn over a lifetime and not be confined to a particular age or timeframe. Mr. Parker stated that technology connects education globally and makes it more accessible and more effective. An example is the University of Oklahoma's (OU) online learning platform, Janux. Mr. Parker stated that Janux is a great tool with vast possibilities and gave a quick example of how Janux is creating online communities. Dr. Mark Morvant, Associate Professor at OU, created an online course titled "Chemistry of Beer." Mr. Parker stated that this class is basically an organic chemistry class which is notoriously difficult, but Dr. Morvant created an authentic way to teach a challenging course in a way that would be more interesting to students. One great observation from his class was that, not only were students taking this online class, so were retired chemistry professors

and brew masters and they were able to share their resources and viewpoints with the students as well, creating an online community.

Chancellor Johnson asked if NextThought was also working with Oklahoma State University (OSU) to create a similar online platform. Mr. Parker stated that they are working with OSU and will be getting started this fall.

7. E&G BUDGET.

- a. Regent Turpen made a motion, seconded by Regent White, to approve the FY2015 final allocations and Educational and General Budgets of institutions, constituent agencies, higher education centers, special programs and other operations. Voting for the motion were Regents Parker, Holloway, Glass, Harrel, Turpen, Stricklin, White and Helm. Voting against the motion were none.
- b. Regent White made a motion, seconded by Regent Turpen, to approve the allocation of \$1,820,801.23 to the Oklahoma State University Center for Health Sciences and the University of Oklahoma Health Sciences Center from revenue collected from the taxes places on the sale of cigarettes and tobacco products. Voting for the motion were Regents Holloway, Glass, Harrel, Turpen, Stricklin, White, Helm and Parker. Voting against the motion were none.

8. TUITION.

- a. Regent White made a motion, seconded by Regent Holloway, to approve all institutional requests for changes to Academic Service Fees for FY2015. Voting for the motion were Regents Glass, Harrel, Turpen, Stricklin, White, Helm, Parker and Holloway. Voting against the motion were none.
- b. Regent Parker made a motion, seconded by Regent Turpen, to approve the institutional tuition and mandatory fee requests for resident and nonresident undergraduate, graduate, and professional programs and for guaranteed tuition rates for FY2015. Voting for the

motion were Regents Harrel, Turpen, Stricklin, White, Helm, Parker, Holloway and Glass. Voting against the motion were none.

9. EPSCoR.

- a. Regent White made a motion, seconded by Regent Helm, to approve an agreement with Oklahoma State University to serve as the fiscal agent for matching funds for the National Science Foundation EPSCoR Research Infrastructure Improvement Award and an allocation of \$800,000 for this program for FY2015. Voting for the motion were Regents Turpen, Stricklin, White, Helm, Parker, Holloway, Glass and Harrel. Voting against the motion were none.
- b. Regent White made a motion, seconded by Regent Helm, to approve an allocation of \$500,000 to participating universities for the first year of the National Institutes of Health INBRE grant award. Voting for the motion were Regents Stricklin, White, Helm, Parker, Holloway, Glass, Harrel and Turpen. Voting against the motion were none.
- c. Regent White made a motion, seconded by Regent Helm, to approve EPSCoR matching funds in the amount of \$213,000 to the University of Oklahoma for NASA EPSCoR projects. Voting for the motion were Regents White, Helm, Parker, Holloway, Glass, Harrel, Turpen and Stricklin. Voting against the motion were none.
- d. Regent White made a motion, seconded by Regent Helm, to approve the FY2015 contract between the Board of Regents of the University of Oklahoma and the State Regents for facilities leased effective July 1, 2014. Voting for the motion were Regents Helm, Parker, Holloway, Glass, Harrel, Turpen, Stricklin and White. Voting against the motion were none.

- 10. CAPITAL.** Regent White made a motion, seconded by Regent Stricklin, to approve the transmittal of institutional capital improvement plans for the five fiscal years 2015-2020 to the State of Oklahoma Long-Range Capital Planning Commission. Voting for the motion were Regents Parker, Holloway, Glass, Harrel, Turpen, Stricklin, White and Helm. Voting against the

motion were none.

11. CONTRACTS AND PURCHASES.

a. Regent White made a motion, seconded by Regent Helm, to approve the following purchases for amounts in excess of \$100,000:

- Great Plains Network in the amount of \$194,154 to purchase annual membership fees, secondary participation fees and Internet connection fees.
- Vendor to be determined in the amount not to exceed \$290,000 for annual subscription to PsycINFO databases.
- Vendor to be determined in the amount not to exceed \$150,000 for annual subscription to Online Newspaper databases.
- Navient, formerly known as Sallie Mae, in the amount of \$2,500,000 for use of an integrated software system and services for administering student loans.
- Student Outreach Solutions, Inc in the amount of \$1,306,000 to provide student grace period and cohort management services on both Federal Direct and FFELP loans.
- XAP Corporation in the amount of \$279,167 to exercise the option to renew our agreement with XAP Corporation for the operation and maintenance of the Student Portal also referred to as OKcollegestart.org.
- Cross Cable Television, LLC in the amount of \$101,100 for circuits to provide services to OneNet customers.
- Pioneer Long Distance Inc. in the amount of \$101,500 for circuits to provide services to OneNet customers.
- Dobson Technologies Transport in the amount of \$400,500 for circuits to provide services to OneNet customers.
- Panhandle Telecom Cooperative Inc. in the amount of \$173,655 for circuits to

provide services to OneNet customers.

- American Telephone and Telegraph Corporation in the amount of \$6,292,200 for circuits to provide services to OneNet customers.
- Vendor to be determined in the amount of \$175,000 to purchase internet access circuits that connect the OneNet network to the internet.
- Indian Nations Fiber Optics in the amount of \$718,000 for circuits to provide services to OneNet customers.
- Cox Communications in the amount of \$1,348,710 for circuits to provide services to OneNet customers.
- MBO Networks, LLC in the amount of \$681,000 for circuits to provide services to OneNet customers.
- Windstream Oklahoma, LLC in the amount of \$315,100 for circuits to provide services to OneNet customers.
- University of Indiana in the amount of \$300,000 for network monitoring services provided by the Global Research Network Operating Center.
- Rural Broadband Services Corporation in the amount of \$109,000 for circuits to provide services to OneNet customers.
- Presidio in the amount of \$330,000 for SMARTnet maintenance to provide support for Cisco network equipment that is integrated into the OneNet network.
- SKC Communications in the amount of \$150,000 for maintenance of video servers and endpoints which provides video switching capabilities for distance learning, video conferences, and meetings.
- Computer Discount Warehouse in the amount of \$250,000 for Juniper network equipment that will be used to connect the Department of Mental Health to the OneNet network.

- Expenditure request from OneNet to purchase professional services in the amount of \$300,000 for the re-engineering and re-development of the OneNet billing/accounts receivable software system.
- Mercer Investment Consulting in the amount of \$383,000 for investment consulting services.
- University of Oklahoma Health Science Center in the amount of \$196,316.13 for office space lease from July 1, 2014 to June 30, 2015 at 840 Research Parkway, Suite 450, Oklahoma City, OK 73104.
- University of Oklahoma Health Science Center in the amount of \$818,710 for office space lease from July 1, 2014 to June 30, 2015 at 655 Research Parkway, Suite 200, Oklahoma City, OK 73104

Voting for the motion were Regents Holloway, Glass, Harrel, Turpen, Stricklin, White, Helm and Parker. Voting against the motion were none.

- b. Regent White made a motion, seconded by Regent Helm to ratify a letter of agreement between Battelle for Kids' and Oklahoma GEAR UP to provide phase three of leadership training for site administrators and teacher leaders. Voting for the motion were Regents Glass, Harrel, Turpen, Stricklin, White, Helm, Parker and Holloway. Voting against the motion were none.

12. DELETED ITEM.

13. NEW PROGRAMS.

- a. Regent Holloway made a motion, seconded by Regent Turpen, to approve the request from the University of Oklahoma to offer the Bachelor of Arts in Art, the Bachelor of Fine Arts in Visual Communication, the Graduate Certificate in Applications of Educational Research and Evaluation, and the Graduate Certificate in Natural Gas Technology. Voting for the motion were Regents Harrel, Turpen, Stricklin, White, Helm,

Parker, Holloway and Glass. Voting against the motion were none.

- b. Regent Parker made a motion, seconded by Regent Stricklin, to approve the request from East Central University to offer the Certificate in Business-Project Management/Management and the Certificate in Business Management Information Systems. Voting for the motion were Regents Turpen, Stricklin, White, Helm, Parker, Holloway, Glass and Harrel. Voting against the motion were none.
- c. Regent Holloway made a motion, seconded by Regent Turpen, to approve the request from Southwestern Oklahoma State University to offer the Master of Science in Healthcare Informatics and Information Management. Voting for the motion were Regents Stricklin, White, Helm, Parker, Holloway, Glass, Harrel and Turpen. Voting against the motion were none
- d. Regent Turpen made a motion, seconded by Regent White, to approve the request from Oklahoma City Community College to offer the Associate in Science in Chemistry, the Associate in Science in Biology, and the Associate in Science in Physics. Voting for the motion were Regents White, Helm, Parker, Holloway, Glass, Harrel, Turpen and Stricklin. Voting against the motion were none
- e. Regent Turpen made a motion, seconded by Regent White, to approve the request from Oklahoma State University – Oklahoma City to offer the Certificate in Public Service, the Certificate in Certified Nurse Assistant, the Certificate in Crime Victim/Survivor Services, the Certificate in Police Science-Crime Scene Investigation, the Certificate in Electric Power Technology-Relay Option, the Certificate in Power Transmission and Distribution Technology, and the Certificate in Computer Information Systems-Programming. Voting for the motion were Regents Helm, Parker, Holloway, Glass, Harrel, Turpen, Stricklin and White. Voting against the motion were none.
- f. Regent Holloway made a motion, seconded by Regent Helm, to approve the request from Rose State College to offer the Certificate in Women’s Studies, the Certificate in

Computer Programming, the Certificate in Database Developer, the Certificate in General Business, the Certificate in Human Resources, the Certificate in Management, the Certificate in Small Business Operations, the Certificate in Marketing/Social Media, and the Certificate in Consumer Finance. Voting for the motion were Regents Parker, Holloway, Glass, Harrel, Turpen, Stricklin, White and Helm. Voting against the motion were none.

14. PROGRAM DELETIONS. Regent Stricklin made a motion, seconded by Regent Helm, to approve the following requests for program deletions:

- Oklahoma State University requested to delete the Bachelor of Science in Education.
- The University of Oklahoma requested to delete the Master of Science in Professional Meteorology in Professional Meteorology.
- Carl Albert State College requested to delete the Associate in Arts in Music, the Associate in Arts in Film Studies, the Associate in Arts in Speech/Theatre, and the Associate in Arts in Pre-Journalism.

Voting for the motion were Regents Holloway, Glass, Harrel, Turpen, Stricklin, White, Helm and Parker. Voting against the motion were none.

15. INTENSIVE ENGLISH PROGRAMS. Regent Stricklin made a motion, seconded by Regent Parker, to approve an extension of the review schedule for The Language Company – Edmond for four months and The Language Company – Ada for nine months. Voting for the motion were Regents Glass, Harrel, Turpen, Stricklin, White, Helm, Parker and Holloway. Voting against the motion were none.

16. ACADEMIC POLICY.

- a. Regents reviewed revisions to the *Grading* policy. This item was for posting only and did not require State Regents' action.
- b. Regents reviewed revisions to the *In-State/Out-of-State Status of Enrolled Students* policy. This item was for posting only and did not require State Regents' action.

- 17. LEGISLATIVE UPDATE AND RESOLUTION.** Ms. Hollye Hunt, Associate Vice Chancellor for Governmental Relations, stated that the OSRHE will present a resolution to the legislature thanking them for their assistance during this legislative session, for a standstill budget in a tough economic year and for maintaining the current gun laws. Regent Helm made a motion, seconded by Regent Turpen to accept the legislative report. Voting for the motion were Harrel, Turpen, Massey, White, Helm, Parker, Holloway and Glass. Voting against the motion were none.
- 18. COMMENDATIONS.** Regent Helm made a motion, seconded by Regent Turpen, to recognize State Regents' staff for their service and recognitions on state and national projects. Voting for the motion were Turpen, Massey, White, Helm, Parker, Holloway, Glass and Harrel. Voting against the motion were none.
- 19. DELETED ITEM.**
- 20. CONSENT DOCKET.** Regent Parker made a motion, seconded by Regent Holloway, to approve the following consent docket items.
- a. Programs.
 - (1) Program Modifications. Approval of institutional requests.
 - (2) Program Suspension. Approval of institutional requests.
 - b. Electronic Media.
 - (1) Approval of OSU-OKC's request to offer the existing AAS in Surveying Technology via electronic media.
 - (2) Approval of Tulsa Community College's request to offer existing degree programs via electronic media.
 - c. Reconciliation. Approval of an institutional request for degree program inventory reconciliation.
 - d. Academic Nomenclature. Ratification of an institutional request for academic nomenclature.
 - e. Agency Operations. Ratification of purchases over \$25,000 for FY2014.
 - f. Resolutions. Approval of resolutions honoring retiring staff for their service.

Voting for the motion were Massey, White, Helm, Parker, Holloway, Glass, Harrel, and Turpen

Voting against the motion were none.

- 21. REPORTS.** Regent Helm made a motion, seconded by Regent Glass, to approve the following reports:

- a. Programs. Status report on program requests.

Voting for the motion were White, Helm, Parker, Holloway, Glass, Harrel, Turpen, and Massey

Voting against the motion were none.

- 22. REPORT OF THE COMMITTEES.**

- a. Academic Affairs and Social Justice and Student Services Committees. The Academic Affairs and Social Justice and Student Services Committees had no additional items for Regents' action.

- b. Budget and Audit Committee. The Budget and Audit Committee had no additional items for Regents' action.

- c. Strategic Planning and Personnel and Technology Committee. The Strategic Planning and Personnel and Technology Committee had no additional items for Regents' action.

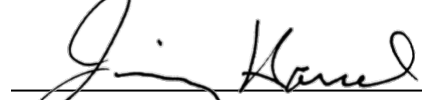
- d. Investment Committee. The Investment Committee had no additional items for Regents' action.

- 23. OFFICERS.** Regent Glass made a motion, seconded by Regent Parker, to approve the following slate of officers: Mike Turpen, Chair; John Massey, Vice Chair; Toney Stricklin, Secretary; Ron White, Assistant Secretary. Voting for the motion were Helm, Parker, Holloway, Glass, Harrel, Turpen, Massey and White. Voting against the motion were none.


- 24. RECOGNITION.** Regent Turpen presented Chairman Jimmy Harrel with a gavel in honor of his year of service as State Regents' Chairman. State Regents staff also honored Chairman Harrel with a video presentation.

25. **ANNOUNCEMENT OF NEXT REGULAR MEETING.** Regent Harrel announced that the next regular meetings are scheduled to be held on Wednesday, September 3, 2014 at 10:30 a.m. and Thursday, September 4, 2014 at 9 a.m. at the State Regents Office in Oklahoma City.
26. **ADJOURNMENT.** With no additional items to address, the meeting was adjourned.

ATTEST:



James D. Harrel, Chairman



John Massey, Secretary