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of the
Oklahoma State Regents for Higher Education
September 4, 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 9:00 a.m. on Thursday, September 4, 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 August 27, 2014. A copy of the agenda for the meeting had been posted in accordance with the Open Meeting Act.
2. **CALL TO ORDER.** Regent Turpen called the meeting to order and presided. Present for the meeting were State Regents Toney Stricklin, Jay Helm, Jody Parker, Ann Holloway, Ike Glass, Jimmy Harrel, Mike Turpen and John Massey.
3. **MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETINGS.** Regent Stricklin made a motion, seconded by Regent Massey, to approve the minutes of the State Regents' Committee-of-the-Whole and the minutes of the State Regents' regular meeting on June 25, 2014, and June 26, 2014. Voting for the motion were Regents Helm, Parker, Holloway, Glass, Harrel, Turpen, Massey and Stricklin. Voting against the motion were none.
4. **REPORT OF THE CHAIRMAN.** Chairman Turpen stated that he was excited about the upcoming year and working with Oklahoma State Regents for Higher Education (OSRHE) staff and Governor Mary Fallin. He also stated that he recently visited Cameron University where only 30 percent of students have student debt and was looking forward to looking for solutions to student debt for all institutions.

5. REPORT OF THE CHANCELLOR. Chancellor Glen Johnson distributed two recent articles. The first article was from *The Oklahoman* and was written by Kathryn McNutt focusing on the new academic standards following the repeal of the Common Core state standards. The second article from *eCapitol* focused on the OSRHE's continuing opposition to guns on campus. Chancellor Johnson provided Regents with a summary of engagements that he attended on behalf of the State Regents. He also distributed two reports. The first report was from *Forbes* magazine listing Oklahoma as the second best state for recent graduates in terms of median household income, unemployment rates, and changes in tuition. The second report, *Enterprising States 2014*, was published by the US Chamber, ranking Oklahoma 5th in college affordability and 17th in STEM job growth.

Chancellor Johnson also distributed a schedule of events for this coming fall with the following dates:

- Regents Education Program – September 25, 2014
- Legal Issues in Higher Education Conference – September 30, 2014
- STEM Summit – October 7, 2014
- Guns on Campus Interim Study – October 8, 2014
- Campus Safety and Security Summit – October 29, 2014
- Fall Legislative Forum – November 19

6. NEW PROGRAMS.

- a. Regent Helm made a motion, seconded by Regent Parker, to approve the request from the University of Oklahoma to offer the Graduate Certificate in Secondary Transition Education Specialist. Voting for the motion were Regents Parker, Holloway, Glass, Harrel, Turpen, Massey, Stricklin and Helm. Voting against the motion were none.
- b. Regent Massey made a motion, seconded by Regent Helm, to approve the request from Oklahoma State University to offer the Doctor of Philosophy in Materials Science and

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

c. Regent Stricklin made a motion, seconded by Regent Massey, to approve the request from Cameron University to offer the Bachelor of Arts in Journalism and Media Production. Voting for the motion were Regents Glass, Harrel, Turpen, Massey, Stricklin, Helm, Parker and Holloway. Voting against the motion were none.

d. Regent Helm made a motion, seconded by Regent Massey, to approve the request from Rose State College to offer the Associate in Science in General Science. Voting for the motion were Regents Harrel, Turpen, Massey, Stricklin, Helm, Parker, Holloway and Glass. Voting against the motion were none.

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

- Oklahoma City Community College requested to delete the Associate in Science in Science.

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

8. **INTENSIVE ENGLISH PROGRAMS.** Regent Helm made a motion, seconded by Regent Turpen, to approve a team recommendation of five years for The Language Company – Edmond. Voting for the motion were Regents Massey, Stricklin, Helm, Parker, Holloway, Glass, Harrel and Turpen. Voting against the motion were none.

9. **GRANTS.**

a. Regent Helm made a motion, seconded by Regent Holloway, to approve the grant of \$72,585 to support the Single Mothers Academic Resource Team (SMART). Voting for the motion were Regents Stricklin, Helm, Parker, Holloway, Glass, Harrel, Turpen and Massey. Voting against the motion were none.

b. Regent Helm made a motion, seconded by Regent Holloway, to approve the proposed Oklahoma Teacher Connection budget of \$177,884 to fund Pre-Collegiate and Collegiate

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

10. **SCHOLARS FOR EXCELLENCE IN CHILDCARE.** Regent Helm made a motion, seconded by Regent Stricklin, to ratify a revised contract modification between the Oklahoma Department of Human Services and the OSRHE which reduces the contract amount by \$300,000 to a new total amount of \$754,989 for FY15. Voting for the motion were Regents Parker, Holloway, Glass, Harrel, Turpen, Massey, Stricklin and Helm. Voting against the motion were none.

11. **POLICY.**

- a. Regent Helm made a motion, seconded by Regent Massey, to approve the proposed amendments to the *Grading* policy. Voting for the motion were Regents Holloway, Glass, Harrel, Turpen, Massey, Stricklin, Helm and Parker. Voting against the motion were none.
- b. Regent Helm made a motion, seconded by Regent Massey, to approve the proposed amendments to the *In-State/Out-of-State Status of Enrolled Students* policy. Voting for the motion were Regents Glass, Harrel, Turpen, Massey, Stricklin, Helm, Parker and Holloway. Voting against the motion were none.

12. **ACT ANNUAL REPORT.** Dr. Cindy Brown, Director of Student Preparation, provided Regents with an overview of the annual report on the ACT scores for the 2014 graduating class. She noted that although Oklahoma's mathematics scores have increased in recent years, Oklahoma is still one point below the national mean at 19.9, compared to the nation at 20.9. Dr. Brown also stated that Oklahoma is one point ahead of the nation in Reading at 21.5 and Science and English are right at the same level as the nation. Regent Helm made a motion, seconded by Regent Massey, to accept the ACT Annual Report. Voting for the motion were Regents Harrel, Turpen, Massey, Stricklin, Helm, Parker, Holloway and Glass. Voting against the motion were none.

13. E&G BUDGET.

- a. Regent Stricklin made a motion, seconded by Regent Massey, to approve the allocation of \$951,633.62 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 Turpen, Massey, Stricklin, Helm, Parker, Holloway, Glass and Harrel. Voting against the motion were none.
- b. Regent Stricklin made a motion, seconded by Regent Massey, to approve a renewal grant allocation for \$60,000 for year one of a renewable five-year commitment through 2019 to the Oklahoma Historical Society for support of the Higher Education Archives project. Voting for the motion were Regents Massey, Stricklin, Helm, Parker, Holloway, Glass, Harrel and Turpen. Voting against the motion were none.
- c. Regent Stricklin made a motion, seconded by Regent Turpen, to approve a reduction in the allocation of state appropriated funds for FY15 appropriations in an amount that totals \$1,025,722. Voting for the motion were Regents Stricklin, Helm, Parker, Holloway, Glass, Harrel, Turpen and Massey. Voting against the motion were none.

14. MASTER LEASE PROGRAM. Regent Stricklin made a motion, seconded by Regent Harrel, to authorize for submission to the Council of Bond Oversight of the 2014C Equipment Master Lease Series totaling \$11,497,950 for four institutions. Voting for the motion were Regents Helm, Parker, Holloway, Glass, Harrel, Turpen, Massey and Stricklin. Voting against the motion were none.

15. POLICY. Chairman Turpen stated that changes to the Tuition and Fee Policy were for posting only and did not require State Regents' action.

16. CONTRACTS AND PURCHASES.

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

- Juniper Networking Equipment in the amount of \$1,250,000 for the facilitation of future network growth, operational cost items and redundancy for OneNet services in Tulsa.

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

17. DELETED ITEM.

18. STUDENT SUCCESS. Mr. Tony Hutchison, Vice Chancellor for Strategic Planning and Analysis and Workforce and Economic Development, gave a brief presentation on the Oklahoma Education Information System Dashboard. Mr. Hutchison stated that this database has helped the OSRHE look at student success in a more affordable way. The dashboard can provide data on time-to-degree, amount of credits being taken, number of students at each institution and remediation. For example, Mr. Hutchison stated that with this data, OSRHE staff were able to determine that students who took just one remedial course, graduated at a 13 percent lower rate. Mr. Hutchison recognized OSRHE employees, Mr. Marion Dilbeck, Ms. Jackie Oram and Mr. Jarrod Cordova for their work on the dashboard.

19. STATE REGENTS' MEETINGS. Regent Parker made a motion, seconded by Regent Stricklin, to approve the 2015 schedule of regular meetings for filing with the Office of the Secretary of State. Voting for the motion were Regents Holloway, Glass, Harrel, Turpen, Massey, Stricklin, Helm and Parker. Voting against the motion were none.

20. COMMENDATIONS. Regent Massey made a motion, seconded by Regent Stricklin, to recognize State Regents' staff for their service and recognitions on state and national projects. Voting for the motion were Regents Glass, Harrel, Turpen, Massey, Stricklin, Helm and Parker Holloway. Voting against the motion were none.

21. EXECUTIVE SESSION. Mr. Robert Anthony, General Counsel for the Oklahoma State Regents for Higher Education, advised Regents that there was not a need to go into executive session.

22. PERSONNEL. Regent Harrel made a motion, seconded by Regent Glass, to ratify the following personnel actions:

- Compensation adjustment for Mr. Robert Nordmark, Director of Network Services, based on additional duties assumed;
- Compensation adjustment and title change for Ms. Sonja Lovell Wall, Oklahoma Community Access Network Project Manager, based on additional duties assumed; and
- Position posting for the Director of OneNet Strategic Planning and Communications.

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

23. CONSENT DOCKET. Regent Parker made a motion, seconded by Regent Stricklin, 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 Tulsa Community College's request to offer the existing Associate in Science in Mathematics via electronic media.
- (2) Approval of Northeastern State University's request to offer the existing Master of Arts in American Studies 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.

- (1) Ratification of purchases over \$25,000 for FY2014.
- (2) Acceptance of Career Tech Carl Perkins Contract.

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

24. REPORTS. Regent Massey made a motion, seconded by Regent Stricklin, to approve the following reports:

- a. Programs. Status report on program requests.
- b. Annual Reports.
 - (1) Annual Program Requests Report.
 - (2) Annual Institutional Self-Report on Grants Obtained.
 - (3) Tuition and Fees Rate Book, FY2015.
 - (4) Student Cost Survey for FY2015.
 - (5) Cash Reserve Report for FY2015.
 - (6) Faculty Salary Report for FY2014.
 - (7) Annual Regents Education Program Report 2013.

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


25. 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.

26. NEW BUSINESS. No new business was brought before the Regents.

27. **ANNOUNCEMENT OF NEXT REGULAR MEETING.** Regent Turpen announced that the next regular meetings are scheduled to be held on Wednesday, October 15, 2014 at 11:30 a.m. and Thursday, October 16, 2014 at 9 a.m. at the State Regents Office in Oklahoma City.
28. **ADJOURNMENT.** With no additional items to address, the meeting was adjourned.

ATTEST:



Michael C. Turpen, Chairman



Toney Stricklin, Secretary