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of the
Oklahoma State Regents for Higher Education
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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 9:25 a.m. on Thursday, March 29, 2018, 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 March 14, 2018. A copy of the agenda for the meeting had been posted in accordance with the Open Meeting Act.
2. **CALL TO ORDER.** Chairman Ron White called the meeting to order and presided. Present for the meeting were State Regents Toney Stricklin, Ron White, Ann Holloway, Andy Lester, Jeff Hickman, Mike Turpen and John Massey.
3. **MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETINGS.** Regent Lester made a motion, seconded by Regent Holloway, to approve the minutes of the State Regents' regular meeting on February 1, 2018. Voting for the motion were Regents White, Holloway, Lester, Hickman, Turpen, Massey and Stricklin. Voting against the motion were none.
4. **REPORT OF THE CHAIRMAN.** Chairman White stated that he is pleased with the legislature and their bipartisan vote for the revenue package.
5. **REPORT OF THE CHANCELLOR.** Chancellor Glen D. Johnson provided Regents with a summary of engagements that he attended on behalf of the State Regents. He also distributed two articles from *The Oklahoman* focusing on Secretary Dave Lopez's remarks at the Committee-of-the-Whole meeting on March 28, 2018, as well as President Jerry Steward's remarks on Oklahoma City Community College's Students Connecting with Mentors for Success program. Chancellor Johnson announced that Oklahoma's Promise Day at the Capitol will be held on April

16, 2018. Finally, he announced that Regent Mike Turpen was reappointed by Governor Fallin for another nine year term as a State Regent.

6. DELETED ITEM.

7. STUDENTS.

a. Mr. Alex Benitez, a student at East Central University (ECU), spoke about his higher education experience. Mr. Benitez began by stating that he graduated from Healdton High School and is currently a sophomore at ECU majoring in Political Science. After graduating from ECU, he plans to attend law school at the University of Tulsa. Mr. Benitez stated that his parents encouraged him to attend college. His parents came from Mexico and dreamed of giving him a better life and an opportunity to access higher education. He is a Nigh Scholar and stated that has been the most meaningful experience in his higher education career by meeting people with the same vision has her.

b. Ms. Selena Ordaz, a student at Oklahoma City Community College (OCCC), spoke about her higher education experience. Ms. Ordaz began by stating that she is a Sociology major, the Leadership Council chair, a member of the Hispanic organization, a member of Phi Beta Kappa, a 2018 Nigh Scholar, and a member of the All Oklahoma USA Academic team. She plans to attend The University of Oklahoma and major in Sociology and then go on to law school. Ms. Ordaz stated that she never considered going to college and getting a degree. Her parents were very supportive but she did not want to burden her parents with the cost of a higher education. She became a mother at 19 and felt the pressure to succeed at life so she enrolled at OCCC with the OKCGO 2.0 program and will graduate in May 2018. She is proud of her college education and is proud to be part of the future of Oklahoma.

8. NEW PROGRAMS.

a. Regent Lester made a motion, seconded by Regent Holloway, to approve the request from Oklahoma State University to offer the Bachelor of Science in Medicinal and

Biophysical Chemistry. Voting for the motion were Regents Holloway, Lester, Hickman, Turpen, Massey, Stricklin and White. Voting against the motion were none.

- b. Regent Lester made a motion, seconded by Regent Holloway, to approve the request from Northwestern Oklahoma State University to offer the Master of Education in Educational Leadership and the Master of Education in Curriculum and Instruction. Voting for the motion were Regents Lester, Hickman, Turpen, Massey, Stricklin, White and Holloway. Voting against the motion were none.
- c. Regent Lester made a motion, seconded by Regent Stricklin, to approve the request from Eastern Oklahoma State College to offer the Associate in Applied Science in Respiratory Therapy. Voting for the motion were Regents Hickman, Turpen, Massey, Stricklin, White, Holloway and Lester. Voting against the motion were none.
- d. Regent Lester made a motion, seconded by Regent Stricklin, to approve the request from Seminole State College to offer the Associate in Applied Science in Engineering Technology. Voting for the motion were Regents Turpen, Massey, Stricklin, White, Holloway, Lester and Hickman. Voting against the motion were none.
- e. Regent Lester made a motion, seconded by Regent Holloway, to approve the request from Tulsa Community College to offer the Associate in Arts in Criminal Justice, the Associate in Arts in Psychology, and the Associate in Arts in Sociology. Voting for the motion were Regents Massey, Stricklin, White, Holloway, Lester, Hickman and Turpen. Voting against the motion were none.

9. PROGRAM DELETIONS. Regent Lester made a motion, seconded by Regent Holloway, to approve the following request for program deletions:

- a. Murray State College requested to delete the Associate in Science in Pre-Professional, the Associate in Applied Science in Engineering Technology and the Associate in Applied Science in Applied Technology. Voting for the motion were Regents Stricklin, White, Holloway, Lester, Hickman, Turpen and Massey. Voting against the motion were none.

10. **COURSE EQUIVALENCY PROJECT.** Regent Lester made a motion, seconded by Regent Stricklin, to accept the Course Equivalency Project for the 2018-2019 academic year. Voting for the motion were Regent White, Holloway, Lester, Hickman, Turpen, Massey and Stricklin. Voting against the motion were none.
11. **STATE AUTHORIZATION.** Regent Lester made a motion, seconded by Regent Massey, to approve the request to authorize private institutions operating in Oklahoma. Voting for the motion were Regents Holloway, Lester, Hickman, Turpen, Massey, Stricklin and White. Voting against the motion were none.
12. **POLICY.**
 - a. Regents reviewed the proposed revisions to the *Teacher Education* policy. This item is for posting only.
 - b. Regents reviewed the proposed revisions to the *Undergraduate Transfer and Articulation* policy. This item is for posting only.
 - c. Regent Lester made a motion, seconded by Regent Hickman, to approve the proposed revisions to the *Professional Programs* policy. This item was posted at the February State Regents meeting. Voting for the motion were Regents Lester, Hickman, Turpen, Massey, Stricklin, White and Holloway. Voting against the motion were none.
13. **E&G BUDGET.** Regent Hickman made a motion, seconded by Regent Lester to ratify the reduction in FY18 allocations and ratification of revised budgets for institutions and programs. Voting for the motion were Regents Hickman, Turpen, Massey, Stricklin, White, Holloway and Lester. Voting against the motion were none.
14. **TUITION.**
 - a. Regents reviewed the posting of legislative tuition and mandatory fee limits for resident and nonresident undergraduate, graduate, and professional programs for Fiscal Year 2019 and institutional requests for changes to academic services fees for Fiscal Year 2019. This item was for posting only and did not require State Regents action.

b. Regent White announced that the State Regents would be holding a public hearing for the purpose of receiving views and comments on the subject of tuition, mandatory fees, and academic fees charged as a condition for enrolling at institutions in the Oklahoma State System of Higher Education. The hearing will be held in the State Regents' offices on Thursday, April 26, 2018, at 9:30 a.m.

15. **REVENUE BONDS.** Regent Hickman made a motion, seconded by Regent Holloway to approve the transmittal to the Attorney General the Oklahoma State University Statement of Essential Facts for a 2018 A/B General Obligation Bond Issuance. Voting for the motion were Regents Turpen, Massey, Stricklin, White, Holloway, Lester and Hickman. Voting against the motion were none.

16. **INVESTMENTS.** Regent Stricklin made a motion, seconded by Regent Holloway, to approve the following new investment managers:

- Thompson Street Capital Partners V– \$7 million.
- TCW Direct Lending Fund VII – \$5 million.
- Exchange Tweedy Browne Global Value for the Tweedy Browne Global Value II.

Voting for the motion were Regents Massey, Stricklin, White, Holloway, Lester, Hickman and Turpen. Voting against the motion were none.

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

17. **EXECUTIVE SESSION.** Mr. Robert Anthony, General Counsel for the Oklahoma State Regents for Higher Education, advised Regents that an executive session was not needed.

18. **CONSENT DOCKET.** Regent Massey made a motion, seconded by Regent Holloway, to approve the following consent docket items:

a. Programs. Approval of institutional requests for program modifications.

- b. Suspensions. Ratification of approved institutional requests to suspend academic degree programs.
- c. State Authorization Reciprocity Agreement. Ratification of institutional requests to renew participation in the State Authorization Reciprocity Agreement.
- d. Agency Operations.
 - (1) Ratification of purchases in excess of \$25,000 for FY2017.
 - (2) Personnel. Ratification of appointment of Vice Chancellor for Governmental Relations.

Voting for the motion were Regent White, Holloway, Lester, Hickman, Turpen, Massey and Stricklin. Voting against the motion were none.

19. REPORTS. Regent Holloway made a motion, seconded by Regent Stricklin, to accept the following reports:

- a. Programs. Current status report on program requests.
- b. Annual Reports.
 - (1) Oklahoma High School Indicators Project. Developmental Education Rates of College Freshmen by High School Site.
 - (2) Spring 2018 Preliminary Enrollment Survey.
 - (3) Degrees Conferred. Presentation of the Annual Report on Degrees Conferred in Oklahoma Higher Education.
 - (4) Oklahoma College Savings Plan. Annual Program Update for 2017.
 - (5) FY2017 System-wide Report on Value of Supplemental Pension Obligations and Cost of Postemployment Benefits Other Than Pensions.
 - (6) Academic Policy Exception Quarterly Report.

Voting for the motion were Regent Holloway, Lester, Hickman, Turpen, Massey, Stricklin and White. Voting against the motion were none.

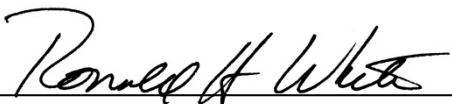
20. REPORT OF THE COMMITTEES.

- 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.

21. ANNOUNCEMENT OF NEXT REGULAR MEETING. Regent White announced that the next regular meetings are scheduled to be held on Wednesday, April 25, 2018 at 10:30 a.m. and Thursday, April 26, 2018 at 10:00 a.m. at the State Regents Office in Oklahoma City.

22. ADJOURNMENT. With no additional items to address, the meeting was adjourned.

ATTEST:


Ron White, Chairman


Jody Parker, Secretary