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of the
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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 a special meeting at 9:15 a.m. on Thursday, December 5, 2019, 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 September 18, 2018 and was amended on October 16, 2019. A copy of the agenda for the meeting had been posted in accordance with the Open Meeting Act.
2. **CALL TO ORDER.** Chairman Jody Parker called the meeting to order and presided. Present for the meeting were State Regents Jody Parker, Ann Holloway, Jeff Hickman, Toney Stricklin, Jay Helm, Ron White, Michael C. Turpen, and Steven W. Taylor.
3. **MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETINGS.** Regent Helm made a motion, seconded by Regent White, to approve the minutes of the State Regents' regular meeting on October 24, 2019. Voting for the motion were Regents Stricklin, White, Helm, Parker, Holloway, Hickman, Turpen, and Taylor. Voting against the motion were none.
4. **REPORT OF THE CHAIRMAN.** Chairman Parker shared a brief reflection on the upcoming holiday season.

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. Chancellor Johnson reflected on the budget request, Fall Legislative Forum, and briefly mentioned Oklahoma’s Promise Day, which will likely be scheduled for April of 2020 at the state capitol.

6. **STUDENTS.** Ms. Dacey Hadley, a student at Eastern Oklahoma State College (EOSC), spoke about her higher education experience. She shared that her grandmother, who worked as a nurse for 39 years, is her role model and inspired her to pursue a degree in nursing. She was attracted to EOSC’s small class sizes and excellent nursing program, and she received many scholarships to attend the college. Ms. Hadley stated that she has overcome many obstacles, including a fear of public speaking, and is proud of the accomplishments she has achieved while attending EOSC.

7. **OKLAHOMA CAMPUS COMPACT.** Ms. Debbie Terlip, Executive Director of Campus Compact and Student Relations Liaison, presented the winners of the 2019 Oklahoma Campus Compact Annual Voter Registration Contest. The 2019 contest winners were Eastern Oklahoma State College and runner-up Seminole State College for the Democracy category; Langston University and runner-up Northern Oklahoma College for the Liberty category; East Central University and runner-up Rose State College for the Equality category; and the University of Oklahoma and runner-up Oklahoma City Community College for the Independence category. The University of Oklahoma also won the Stars award for registering the most students, while Seminole State College won the Stripes award for registering the higher proportion of students. Representatives from these institutions were in attendance to receive their award.

8. **FACULTY ADVISORY COUNCIL.**
 - a. Acceptance of the 2019 Faculty Advisory Council Annual Report. Dr. Rachel Bates, Associate Vice Chancellor for Educational Partnerships, introduced Dr. Kristi Archuleta

from the University of Central Oklahoma to discuss the Faculty Advisory Council (FAC) work plan. Dr. Archuleta highlighted workplan items addressed by the FAC, including diversity and inclusivity on campus, understanding Oklahoma's new gun laws and weapons on campus, mental health services and training modules, student retention efforts, and the Oklahoma State System budget.

- b. Recognition of Faculty Advisory Council members who have completed their service and recognition of new members elected by the Faculty Assembly to represent faculty. Regents recognized FAC members who completed their terms of service and newly elected FAC members, presented by Dr. Rachel Bates, Associate Vice Chancellor for Education Partnerships.

Regent Holloway made a motion, seconded by Regent Turpen, to accept the 2019 Annual Faculty Advisory Report and recognize FAC members. Voting for the motion were Regents White, Helm, Parker, Holloway, Hickman, Turpen, Taylor, and Stricklin. Voting against the motion were none.

9. **NEW PROGRAMS.**

- a. Regent Turpen made a motion, seconded by Regent Holloway to approve a request from the University of Oklahoma Health Sciences Center to offer the Graduate Certificate in Clinical and Translational Science. Voting for the motion were Regents Helm, Parker, Holloway, Hickman, Turpen, Taylor, Stricklin, and White. Voting against the motion were none.
- b. Regent Turpen made a motion, seconded by Regent Holloway to approve a request from Oklahoma State University Center for Health Sciences to offer the Graduate Certificate in Health Care Administration, the Graduate Certificate in Health Care Administration-Global Health, and the Graduate Certificate in Health Care Administration-Finance. Voting for the motion were Regents Parker, Holloway, Hickman, Turpen, Taylor, Stricklin, White,

and Helm. Voting against the motion were none.

10. **ACADEMIC POLICY.**

- a. Regent Turpen made a motion, seconded by Regent Holloway, to approve a policy exception request to the Concurrent Enrollment policy from Oklahoma City Community College. Voting for the motion were Regents Holloway, Hickman, Turpen, Taylor, Stricklin, White, Helm, and Parker. Voting against the motion were none.
- b. Regent Turpen made a motion, seconded by Regent Holloway, to approve a policy exception request to the Concurrent Enrollment policy from Connors State College. Voting for the motion were Regents Hickman, Turpen, Taylor, Stricklin, White, Helm, Parker, and Holloway. Voting against the motion were none.

11. **SCHOLARS FOR EXCELLENCE IN CHILD CARE.** Regent Turpen made a motion, seconded by Regent Holloway, to approve a contract modification between the Oklahoma Department of Human Services and the Oklahoma State Regents for the Scholars for Excellence in Child Care Program. Voting for the motion were Regents Turpen, Taylor, Stricklin, White, Helm, Parker, Holloway, and Hickman. Voting against the motion were none.

12. **SUMMER ACADEMIES.** Ms. Lisa Nelson, Director of Student Preparation, discussed how due to continued budget reductions, the allocation for the 2018 Summer Academies was reduced by 50 percent. She explained that because there was not an increase in state appropriations to higher education in FY19, there was no call for proposals for 2019 Summer Academies, but thanks to an increased appropriation in FY20, Summer Academies are able to be funded on a one-year basis. Regent Turpen made a motion, seconded by Regent Holloway, to approve the 2020 Summer Academy Grants. Voting for the motion were Regents Taylor, Stricklin, White, Helm, Parker, Holloway, Hickman, and Turpen. Voting against the motion were none.

13. **TEACHER EDUCATION.** Regent Turpen made a motion, seconded by Regent Holloway, to approve incentives to increase graduation and retention of secondary mathematics and science teachers through the Teacher Shortage Employment Incentive Program. Voting for the motion were Regents Stricklin, White, Helm, Parker, Holloway, Hickman, Turpen, and Taylor. Voting against the motion were none.

14. **E&G BUDGET.**
 - a. Regent Stricklin made a motion, seconded by Regent White, to approve the allocation of Cigarette and Tobacco Tax Revenue. Voting for the motion were Regents White, Helm, Parker, Holloway, Hickman, Turpen, Taylor, and Stricklin. Voting against the motion were none.
 - b. Regent Stricklin made a motion, seconded by Regent Turpen, to approve the allocation of Concurrent Enrollment Waiver for Juniors for the Fall 2019 Semester. Voting for the motion were Regents Helm, Parker, Holloway, Hickman, Turpen, Taylor, Stricklin, and White. Voting against the motion were none.

15. **POLICY.** Regent White made a motion, seconded by Regent Hickman to approve Investment Policy revisions. Voting for the motion were Regents Parker, Holloway, Hickman, Turpen, Taylor, Stricklin, White, and Helm. Voting against the motion were none.

16. **REVENUE BOND.** Mr. Adam Pope, Senior Vice President at Columbia Capital and Financial Advisor for the University of Oklahoma, was present to describe the Statement of Essential Facts for the University of Oklahoma General Obligation Revenue Refunding Bond, Series 2020A. Regent Stricklin made a motion, seconded by Regent Hickman, to approve for transmittal to the Attorney General the University of Oklahoma's Statement of Essential Facts for a 2020A

Refunding Bond. Voting for the motion were Regents Holloway, Hickman, Turpen, Taylor, Stricklin, White, Helm, and Parker. Voting against the motion were none.

17. **EPSCOR.** Regent Stricklin made a motion, seconded by Regent Helm, to approve the allocation for EPSCoR/IDeA Coalition Dues. Voting for the motion were Regents Hickman, Turpen, Taylor, Stricklin, White, Helm, Parker, and Holloway. Voting against the motion were none.
18. **CONTRACTS AND PURCHASES.** Regent Stricklin made a motion, seconded by Regent Helm to approve FY2020 Purchases in excess of \$100,000. Voting for the motion were Regents Turpen, Taylor, Stricklin, White, Helm, Parker, Holloway, and Hickman. Voting against the motion were none.
19. **INVESTMENTS.** Regent Stricklin made a motion, seconded by Regent Hickman, to approve a new investment manager and allocation of funds for the endowment trust fund. Voting for the motion were Regents Taylor, Stricklin, White, Helm, Parker, Holloway, Hickman, and Turpen. Voting against the motion were none.
20. **RULE REVISIONS.**
 - a. Oklahoma's Promise. Posting of proposed rule revisions for the Oklahoma's Promise – Oklahoma Higher Learning Access Program.
 - b. Academic Scholars Program. Posting of proposed rule revisions for the Academic Scholars Program.
 - c. Posting of proposed rule revisions to the Administrative policy.
21. **COMMENDATIONS.** Regent Turpen made a motion, seconded by Regent Holloway, to

recognize State Regents' staff for their service and recognitions on state and national projects.

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

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

23. **CONSENT DOCKET.** Regent Helm made a motion, seconded by Regent White to approve the following consent docket items:
 - a. Programs.
 - (1) Program Modifications. Approval of institutional requests.
 - (2) Suspensions. Approval of institutional requests.
 - b. Post Audit. Approval of institutional requests for final approval and review schedule extensions for existing programs.
 - c. Reconciliation. Approval of institutional requests.
 - d. Academic Nomenclature. Ratification of institutional requests.
 - e. Cooperative Agreements. Ratification of institutional request.
 - f. Electronic Delivery. Oklahoma State University. Approval to offer the Doctor of Education in Applied Educational Studies via electronic delivery.
 - g. State Authorization Reciprocity Agreement.
 - (1) Ratification of institutional requests to renew participation in the State Authorization Reciprocity Agreement.
 - (2) Ratification of an institutional request to begin participation in the State Authorization Reciprocity Agreement.
 - h. Operations.
 - (1) Ratification of purchases in excess of \$25,000 for FY2019.
 - (2) Audit. Acceptance of the FY2019 Annual Audit Report.

- i. Non-Academic Degrees.
 - (1) Ratification of a request from Oklahoma State University to award honorary degrees.
 - (2) Ratification of a request from Oklahoma State University to award a posthumous degree.
- j. Resolution. Approval of a resolution honoring retiring staff.

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

24. **REPORTS.** Regent Holloway made a motion, seconded by Regent White, to accept the following reports:

- a. Programs. Current Status Report on Program Requests. (Supplement)
- b. Report. Acceptance of the Financial and Long-Term Viability Assessments.
- c. Annual Reports.
 - (1) Oklahoma Tuition Aid Grant. Acceptance of the 2018-2019 Oklahoma Tuition Aid Grant Year-End Report.
 - (2) Oklahoma Tuition Equalization Grant. Acceptance of the 2018-2019 Oklahoma Tuition Equalization Grant Year-End Report.
 - (3) Regional University Baccalaureate Scholarships. Acceptance of the 2018-2019 Regional University Baccalaureate Scholarships Year-End Report.
 - (4) ACT Annual Report. Acceptance of the Annual Report on the ACT Scores for the 2019 graduating class.
 - (5) FY20 Tuition and Analysis Report. Acceptance of the 2020 Tuition and Analysis Report.
 - (6) Financial Operations Report. Acceptance of the June 30, 2019 Financial Operations Report.

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

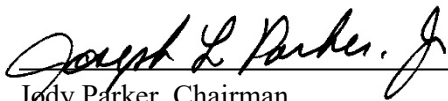
25. **REPORT OF THE COMMITTEES.**

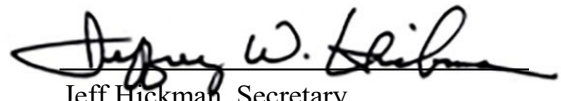
- a. Academic Affairs and Social Justice and Student Services Committees. The Academic Affairs and Social Justice and Student Services Committees had no additional items for Regents' action.
- b. Budget and Audit Committee. The Budget and Audit Committee had no additional items for Regents' action.
- 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. **ANNOUNCEMENT OF NEXT REGULAR MEETING.** Regent Parker announced that the next regular meetings are scheduled to be held Wednesday, February 5, 2020 at 10:30 a.m. and Thursday, February 6, 2020 at 9:00 a.m. at the State Regents Office in Oklahoma City.

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

ATTEST:


Jody Parker, Chairman


Jeff Hickman, Secretary