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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 10:00 a.m. on Friday, May 29, 2020, via Zoom videoconference. Notice of the original meeting had been filed for May 29, 2020 on November 21, 2019 and was amended as a special meeting via Zoom due to COVID-19. This special meeting was filed with the Secretary of State on May 22, 2020. 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 via Zoom videoconference were State Regents Jack Sherry, Ron White, Jay Helm, Jody Parker, Ann Holloway, Dennis Casey, Jeff Hickman, Michael C. Turpen, and Steven W. Taylor.
3. **MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETINGS.** Regent Taylor made a motion, seconded by Regent Helm, to approve the minutes of the State Regents' meeting on April 22, 2020. Voting for the motion via roll call were Regents White, Helm, Parker, Holloway, Casey, Hickman, Turpen, and Taylor. Regent Sherry abstained. Voting against the motion were none.
4. **REPORT OF THE CHAIRMAN.** Chairman Parker began by stating that he was grateful that all of the State Regents and Oklahoma State Regents for Higher Education staff appear to be in good health given the current pandemic. He stated that operating meetings via Zoom allows the State

Regents to move forward with their business, but that it has a dehumanizing effect and that he is greatly looking forward to meeting with all of the State Regents in person next month.

5. **REPORT OF THE CHANCELLOR.** Chancellor Glen D. Johnson began by stating that he is also looking forward to seeing everyone in person at the June meeting. He then discussed the impact of COVID-19 on everyone's lives, particularly those in higher education, and its impact on the legislative session. He thanked policy leaders for their efforts in structuring the FY21 budget with the 3.95 percent reduction. He also thanked policy leaders for their support with House Bill 2749 and House Bill 2750 for the authorization to raise the limit which will address the backlog in the Endowed Chairs program and he added that he is looking forward to working with policy leaders next year for funding for that bond issue. Chancellor Johnson briefly discussed the hearing on tuition and fees that took place earlier in the day, mentioning that all twenty-five institution presidents would appear at the June 24, 2020 State Regents meeting to bring forward any requests that they may have regarding tuition and fees. Finally, Chancellor Johnson mentioned his work as co-chair on a COVID-19 recovery task force for SREB and that they are optimistic that the task force will bring forward good recommendations that could be utilized by the campuses, governing boards, and State Regents. In conclusion, Chancellor Johnson praised institution leaders, administration, faculty, and staff for their transition to virtual format and allowing students to continue their educations during this unprecedented time.

6. **STATE REGENT.** Regent Parker introduced State Regent Jack Sherry from Holdenville, who will be filling the position of former State Regent Toney Stricklin. Regent Parker provided a brief background of Regent Sherry and welcomed him to the State Regents.

7. **AWARDS.**

a. **Chancellor Hans Brisch Scholarship Program Awards.** Regent Holloway made a

motion, seconded by Regent White, to approve the individuals selected as 2020 Chancellor Hans Brisch Scholarship Program honorees and ratify payment of the scholarship award. Voting for the motion via roll call were Regents Sherry, White, Helm, Parker, Holloway, Casey, Hickman, Turpen, and Taylor. Voting against the motion were none.

b. **Council for Online Learning Excellence Awards.** Regent Holloway made a motion, seconded by Regent Casey, to recognize the 2020 Council for Online Learning Excellence Awards to honor outstanding faculty, staff, institutions, teams, or groups for their work in advancing online learning in Oklahoma. Voting for the motion via roll call were Regents Sherry, White, Helm, Parker, Holloway, Casey, Hickman, Turpen, and Taylor. Voting against the motion were none.

c. **Newman Civic Fellows.** Regent Holloway made a motion, seconded by Regent Helm, to recognize the 2020 Newman Civic Fellows. Voting for the motion via roll call were Regents Sherry, White, Helm, Parker, Holloway, Casey, Hickman, Turpen, and Taylor. Voting against the motion were none.

8. **E&G BUDGET.**

a. Regent Holloway made a motion, seconded by Regent Turpen, to approve the allocation of state appropriated funds in an amount that totals \$770,414,742 to institutions and programs for FY2021 and to accept FY21 Budget Principles and Guidelines. Voting for the motion via roll call were Regents Sherry, White, Helm, Parker, Holloway, Casey, Hickman, Turpen, and Taylor. Voting against the motion were none.

b. Regent Holloway made a motion, seconded by Regent Turpen, to approve the FY2020 Supplemental Allocation to Quartz Mountain Arts and Conference Center in the amount of \$210,000. Voting for the motion via roll call were Regents Sherry, White, Helm,

Parker, Holloway, Casey, Hickman, Turpen, and Taylor. Voting against the motion were none.

9. **POLICY.**

a. Regent Holloway made a motion, seconded by Regent White, to approve a two-year pilot program for expansion of the resident tuition waiver cap for two academic years beginning Fall 2020 through Summer 2022. Voting for the motion via roll call were Regents Sherry, White, Helm, Parker, Holloway, Casey, Hickman, Turpen, and Taylor. Voting against the motion were none.

b. Regent Holloway made a motion, seconded by Regent Turpen, to approve a one-time exception to policy to waive certain academic fees for the Summer 2020 semester in response to the COVID-19 pandemic. Voting for the motion via roll call were Regents Sherry, White, Helm, Parker, Holloway, Casey, Hickman, Turpen, and Taylor. Voting against the motion were none.

10. **TUITION.** Regent Holloway made a motion, seconded by Regent Turpen, to approve the FY21 Tuition and Mandatory Fee Principles and Guidelines for dissemination to state system presidents and governing boards. Voting for the motion via roll call were Regents Sherry, White, Helm, Parker, Holloway, Casey, Hickman, Turpen, and Taylor. Voting against the motion were none.

11. **CONTRACTS AND PURCHASES.** Regent Holloway made a motion, seconded by Regent Turpen, to approve the FY21 Contracts and Purchases in excess of \$100,000. Voting for the motion via roll call were Regents Sherry, White, Helm, Parker, Holloway, Casey, Hickman, and Turpen. Regent Taylor abstained from the AT&T items and voted yes on all other items. The motion passed.

12. **INVESTMENTS.** Regent White made a motion, seconded by Regent Helm, to approve a new investment manager and allocation of funds for the endowment trust fund. The committee's recommendation is to commit \$7 million to Clayton, Dubilier & Rice Fund XI. Voting for the motion via roll call were Regents Sherry, White, Helm, Parker, Holloway, Casey, Hickman, Turpen, and Taylor. Voting against the motion were none.

13. **NEW PROGRAMS.**

a. Regent Turpen made a motion, seconded by Regent Holloway, to approve a request from Oklahoma State University to offer the Graduate Certificate in Dietetics and the Certificate in Learning and Motivation. Voting for the motion via roll call were Regents Sherry, White, Helm, Parker, Holloway, Casey, Hickman, Turpen, and Taylor. Voting against the motion were none.

b. Regent Turpen made a motion, seconded by Regent Taylor, to approve a request from the University of Oklahoma to offer the Bachelor of Science in Computer Science in Tulsa. Voting for the motion via roll call were Regents Sherry, White, Helm, Parker, Holloway, Casey, Hickman, Turpen, and Taylor. Voting against the motion were none.

c. Regent Turpen made a motion, seconded by Regent White, to approve a request from the University of Oklahoma Health Sciences Center to offer the Master of Arts in Nutritional Sciences via electronic delivery. Voting for the motion via roll call were Regents Sherry, White, Helm, Parker, Holloway, Casey, Hickman, Turpen, and Taylor. Voting against the motion were none.

d. Regent Turpen made a motion, seconded by Regent Holloway, to approve a request from Northeastern State University to offer the Graduate Certificate in Training and Development, the Graduate Certificate in Leadership, the Graduate Certificate in American Indian Leadership, and the Graduate Certificate in Classroom Teaching via traditional and electronic delivery, in Tahlequah and Broken Arrow. Voting for the



motion via roll call were Regents Sherry, White, Helm, Parker, Holloway, Casey, Hickman, Turpen, and Taylor. Voting against the motion were none.

- e. Regent Turpen made a motion, seconded by Regent Hickman, to approve a request from Rogers State University to offer the Master of Science in Community Counseling. Voting for the motion via roll call were Regents Sherry, White, Helm, Parker, Holloway, Casey, Hickman, Turpen, and Taylor. Voting against the motion were none.
- f. Regent Turpen made a motion, seconded by Regent Holloway, to approve a request from the University of Central Oklahoma to offer the Master of Public Health in Community Engagement. Voting for the motion via roll call were Regents Sherry, White, Helm, Parker, Holloway, Casey, Hickman, Turpen, and Taylor. Voting against the motion were none.
- g. Regent Turpen made a motion, seconded by Regent Hickman, to approve a request from Murray State College to offer the Associate in Applied Science in Manufacturing Technology. Voting for the motion via roll call were Regents Sherry, White, Helm, Parker, Holloway, Casey, Hickman, Turpen, and Taylor. Voting against the motion were none.

14. **PROGRAM DELETIONS.** Regent Turpen made a motion, seconded by Regent Hickman, to approve the following requests for program deletions: a request from the University of Oklahoma Health Sciences Center to delete the Bachelor of Science in Health Studies and the Master of Science in Allied Health Sciences and a request from Rogers State University to delete the Associate in Applied Science in Emergency Medical Service, the Certificate in Paramedic Studies, and the Associate in Applied Science in Nursing. Voting for the motion via roll call were Regents Sherry, White, Helm, Parker, Holloway, Casey, Hickman, Turpen, and Taylor. Voting against the motion were none.

15. **STUDENT ASSESSMENT PLANS.** Regent Turpen made a motion, seconded by Regent Taylor, to approve changes to the Carl Albert State College Student Assessment Plans as required by the Assessment and Remediation policy. Voting for the motion via roll call were Regents Sherry, White, Helm, Parker, Holloway, Casey, Hickman, Turpen, and Taylor. Voting against the motion were none.
  
16. **OKLAHOMA’S PROMISE.** Regent Turpen made a motion, seconded by Regent Taylor, to accept the Oklahoma’s Promise COVID-19 response report. Voting for the motion via roll call were Regents Sherry, White, Helm, Parker, Holloway, Casey, Hickman, Turpen, and Taylor. Voting against the motion were none.
  
17. **ACT.** Regent Turpen made a motion, seconded by Regent Holloway, to approve the 2020-2021 ACT Agreement. Voting for the motion via roll call were Regents Sherry, White, Helm, Parker, Holloway, Casey, Hickman, Turpen, and Taylor. Voting against the motion were none.
  
18. **POLICY.**
  - a. Regent Turpen made a motion, seconded by Regent Holloway, to approve revisions to the Teacher Education policy. Voting for the motion were Regents Sherry, White, Helm, Parker, Holloway, Casey, Hickman, Turpen, and Taylor. Voting against the motion via roll call were none.
  - b. Regent Turpen made a motion, seconded by Regent Holloway, to approve revisions to the Institutional Admission and Retention and Concurrent Enrollment policies. Voting for the motion via roll call were Regents Sherry, White, Helm, Parker, Holloway, Casey, Hickman, Turpen, and Taylor. Voting against the motion were none.
  
19. **STATE AUTHORIZATION.**

- a. Regent Turpen made a motion, seconded by Regent Hickman, to authorize an out-of-state institution to operate in Oklahoma. The institution requesting authorization was Arkansas Colleges of Health Education. Voting for the motion via roll call were Regents Sherry, White, Parker, Holloway, Casey, Hickman, Turpen, and Taylor. Voting against the motion was Regent Helm. The motion passed.
  - b. Regent Turpen made a motion, seconded by Regent Hickman, to re-authorize an out-of-state institution to operate in Oklahoma. The institution requesting re-authorization was Wichita State University. Voting for the motion via roll call were Regents Sherry, White, Helm, Parker, Holloway, Casey, Hickman, Turpen, and Taylor. Voting against the motion were none.
20. **ANNUAL DEGREES CONFERRED.** Regent Helm made a motion, seconded by Regent White, to accept the Degrees Conferred in Oklahoma Higher Education 2018-2019 Report. Voting for the motion via roll call were Regents Sherry, White, Helm, Parker, Holloway, Casey, Hickman, Turpen, and Taylor. Voting against the motion were none.
21. **CONSENT DOCKET.** Regent White made a motion, seconded by Regent Holloway, to approve the following consent docket items:
- a. Programs.
    - (1) Program Modifications. Approval of institutional requests.
    - (2) Suspensions. Approval of institutional requests.
  - b. Reconciliation. Approval of institutional request.
  - c. Cooperative Agreement Programs. Ratification of institutional request.
  - d. Transfer Courses. Approval of transfer courses from Oklahoma technology centers for technical degree programs.
  - e. High School Courses for College Admission. Ratification of a request to approve a high

school course for college admission.

f. Electronic Delivery.

- (1) Oklahoma State University. Approval to offer the Bachelor of Science in Agricultural Sciences and Natural Resources in Agricultural Leadership via electronic delivery.
- (2) Southeastern Oklahoma State University. Approval to offer the following existing programs via electronic delivery: the Bachelor of Science in Recreation Sport Management and the Bachelor of Business Administration in Accounting.
- (3) University of Central Oklahoma. Approval to offer the Master of Public Administration in Public Administration via electronic delivery.

g. State Authorization Reciprocity Agreement.

- (1) Ratification of an institutional request to renew participation in the State Authorization Reciprocity Agreement.
- (2) Ratification of institutional requests to begin participation in the State Authorization Reciprocity Agreement.

h. Operations. Ratification of purchases in excess of \$25,000 for FY2020.

i. Resolution. Approval of a resolution honoring retiring staff.

Voting for the motion via roll call were Regents Sherry, White, Helm, Parker, Holloway, Casey, Hickman, Turpen, and Taylor. Voting against the motion were none.

22. **REPORTS.** Regent Helm made a motion, seconded by Regent Turpen, to accept the following reports:

- a. Programs. Current Status Report on program requests.
- b. Report. Acceptance of Financial and Long-Term Viability Assessments – Rose State College, Southeastern Oklahoma State University, Southwestern Oklahoma State University, Cameron University, Oklahoma Panhandle State University, Langston

University, Oklahoma City Community College, Northeastern State University, and the University of Central Oklahoma.

c. Annual Reports.

- (1) Acceptance of the Chiropractic Education Scholarship Program 2019-2020 Year End Report.
- (2) Acceptance of the Future Teachers Scholarship Program 2019-2020 Year End Report.
- (3) Acceptance of the Tulsa Reconciliation Education and Scholarship Program 2019-2020 Year End Report.
- (4) Acceptance of the William P. Willis Scholarship 2019-2020 Year End Report.
- (5) Acceptance of the National Guard Tuition Waiver Program 2019-2020 Year End Report and Institutional Reimbursement.

Voting for the motion via roll call were Regents Sherry, White, Helm, Parker, Holloway, Casey, Hickman, Turpen, and Taylor. Voting against the motion were none.

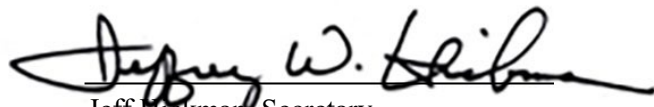
23. **REPORT OF THE COMMITTEES.**

- 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.

24. **ANNOUNCEMENT OF NEXT REGULAR MEETING.** Regent Parker announced that the next regular meetings are scheduled to be held Wednesday, June 24, 2020 at 10:30 a.m. and Thursday, June 25, 2020 at 9:00 a.m. at the State Regents Office in Oklahoma City.
25. **ADJOURNMENT.** With no additional items to address, the meeting was adjourned.

ATTEST:

  
Jody Parker, Chairman

  
Jeff Hickman, Secretary