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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 Wednesday, July 24, 2024, at the State Regents Office in Oklahoma City, Oklahoma. Notice of the meeting had been filed with the Secretary of State on Tuesday, July 9, 2024. A copy of the agenda for the meeting had been posted in accordance with the Open Meeting Act.
2. **CALL TO ORDER.** Chair Dennis Casey called the meeting to order at 10 a.m. and presided. Present for the meeting were State Regents Jack Sherry, Dennis Casey, Steven W. Taylor, Dustin J. Hilliary, Phillip Mitchell “Mitch” Adwon, Michael C. Turpen, Ken Levit and Courtney Warmington. Regent Jeffrey W. Hickman entered the meeting at 10:10 a.m.
3. **TUITION AND FEES.** Discussion and possible action on FY25 undergraduate resident tuition at Rogers State University and FY25 undergraduate resident mandatory fees at Langston University.
  - a. Rogers State University. Following a presentation from Interim President Mark Rasor, Chair Casey clarified that Rogers State University is requesting a tuition increase of \$5 per credit hour, which equates to an overall increase of 1.9% in tuition and mandatory fees for resident, undergraduate students for the 2024-25 academic year. Regent Hickman moved, seconded by Regent Taylor, to approve the increase request from Rogers State University. Voting for the motion were

Regents Levit, Warmington, Sherry, Casey, Taylor, Hilliary, Hickman, Adwon and Turpen. Voting against the motion were none. The motion passed.

- b. Langston University. Following a presentation from Chris Kuwitzky, Vice President for Fiscal and Administrative Affairs at Langston University, Chair Casey clarified that Langston is seeking approval for increases to mandatory fees for resident, undergraduate students as listed in the agenda item. The total impact for a student enrolled in 30 credit hours is \$66.32 for the academic year. Regent Hickman commented that he had hoped Langston would have moved this cost to tuition rather than fees given that Oklahoma's Promise only covers tuition. Regent Turpen moved, seconded by Regent Warmington, to approve the requested increase in mandatory fees from Langston University. Voting for the motion were Regents Warmington, Sherry, Casey, Taylor, Hilliary, Adwon, Turpen and Levit. Voting against the motion was Regent Hickman. The motion passed.

4. **PROPOSED EXECUTIVE SESSION.** Mr. Matt Stangl, General Counsel for the Oklahoma State Regents for Higher Education, advised State Regents that an executive session was needed at this time pursuant to 25 O.S. § 307(B)(1) to discuss the proposed resignation of Allison Garrett from the position of Chancellor for the Oklahoma State Regents for Higher Education. Regent Taylor moved, seconded by Regent Sherry, to enter executive session. Voting for the motion were Regents Sherry, Casey, Taylor, Hilliary Adwon, Turpen, Levit, Hickman, and Warmington. Voting against the motion were none. Following the executive session, Regent Warmington moved, seconded by Regent Taylor, to return to the regular meeting. Voting for the motion were Regents Casey, Taylor, Hilliary, Adwon, Turpen, Levit, Hickman, Warmington, and Sherry. Voting against the motion were none. Regent Warmington moved, seconded by Regent Taylor, to accept the resignation of Chancellor Garrett with the final date of employment to be determined but not to exceed January 2, 2025. Voting for the motion were Regents Taylor, Hilliary, Adwon, Turpen, Levit, Hickman, Warmington, Sherry, and Casey. Voting against the motion were none.

5. **CHANCELLOR SEARCH.** Discussion and possible action to establish the search

process for the next Chancellor, including but not limited to appointment of search committee, approval of position description, dates for application period, and interview process. Chair Casey announced his appointment of a search committee of Regents to assist us with the process. The search committee consists of Regents Warmington, Taylor, Hickman and Regent Casey. Dr. Kylie Smith, Vice Chancellor for Administration, discussed the search process and timeline. Regent Warmington moved, seconded by Regent Hilliary, to approve the position profile as it has been presented and to empower the search committee to initiate and lead the search process, with the understanding that final selection of the next Chancellor rests with the full board. Voting for the motion were Regents Warmington, Sherry, Casey, Taylor, Hilliary, Hickman, Adwon, Hickman, Turpen and Levit. Voting against the motion were none.

6. **VICE CHANCELLOR FOR ACADEMIC AND STUDENT AFFAIRS SEARCH.**

Discussion regarding postponement of search for Vice Chancellor for Academic and Student Affairs and vote to ratify compensation modification for Interim Vice Chancellor for Academic and Student Affairs. Regent Taylor moved, seconded by Regent Warmington, to postpone the search for the permanent Vice Chancellor for Academic and Student Affairs to allow the next Chancellor to make that selection for his or her senior leadership team as well as to adjust the stipend for the Interim Vice Chancellor for performing the additional duties during this time period, as listed in the agenda item. Voting for the motion were Regents Sherry, Casey, Taylor, Hilliary, Hickman, Adwon, Hickman, Turpen, Levit and Warmington. Voting against the motion were none.

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

ATTEST:

  
Dennis Casey, Chair

  
Steven Taylor, Secretary