

## **KANSAS BOARD OF REGENTS**

### **MINUTES**

September 16-17, 2015

The September 16, 2015, meeting of the Kansas Board of Regents was called to order by Chair Shane Bangerter at 12:15 p.m. The meeting was held in the Board Office located in the Curtis State Office Building, 1000 S.W. Jackson, Suite 520, Topeka. Proper notice was given according to law.

**MEMBERS PRESENT:**

Shane Bangerter, Chair  
Zoe Newton, Vice Chair  
Joe Bain  
Ann Brandau-Murguia  
Bill Feuerborn  
Dennis Mullin  
Dave Murfin  
Daniel Thomas  
Helen Van Etten

#### **EXECUTIVE SESSION**

At 12:15 p.m., Regent Newton moved, followed by the second of Regent Mullin, to recess into executive session for 30 minutes to discuss personnel matters of non-elected personnel. Participating in the executive session were members of the Board and President Flanders. At 12:45 p.m., the meeting returned to open session. Regent Newton moved to extend 10 minutes. Regent Murfin seconded, and the motion carried. At 12:55 p.m., the meeting returned to open session.

#### **BREAK**

The Chair called for a break at 12:55 p.m. and resumed the meeting at 1:30 p.m.

#### **APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

Regent Van Etten moved that the minutes of the June 12, 2015 special meeting, the June 17-18, 2015 regular meeting, the July 23, 2015 budget meeting, and the August 11-13, 2015 retreat be approved. Following the second of Regent Bain, the motion carried.

#### **INTRODUCTIONS**

President Scott introduced Pittsburg State University's Faculty Senate President, Julie Samuels, and Student Body President, Kyle Hostetler. Chancellor Gray-Little and President Sopcich announced the University of Kansas (KU) and Johnson County Community College (JCCC) have developed a degree partnership program. The program will allow students to be fully admitted at both institutions and enable them to earn an associate's degree from JCCC and a bachelor's degree from KU. President Schulz introduced Kansas State University's Dean of the College of Veterinary Medicine, Tammy Beckham; Assistant Vice President for Budget Planning, Ethan Erickson; Interim Dean of the College of Business and Administration, Kevin Gwinner; Interim CEO and Dean of K-State Olathe, Ralph Richardson; and President and CEO of the Kansas State University Foundation, Greg Willems.

## **GENERAL REPORTS**

### **REPORT FROM CHAIR**

Chair Bangerter thanked everyone who attended the Board Retreat in Dodge City. At the retreat, the Board discussed their goals for the upcoming year. Chair Bangerter stated one of the Board's goals is to develop a policy to address concealed carry and open carry on state university campuses, in advance of the July 1, 2017 expiration of the legal exemption now in place. He noted the Governance Committee has started to discuss this topic and was made aware that other campus groups are interested in gathering and sharing information. To prevent duplicative efforts, he suggested these groups to work with the Board office. He also reported that other topics the Board will be looking at this year are Title IX practices, Credit for Prior Learning, and collaborative efforts among the universities.

### **REPORT FROM PRESIDENT AND CEO**

President Flanders reported he visited each of the state university campuses and thanked each of the CEOs for their hospitality. He also announced an agreement was entered into by the Kansas Board of Regents and Missouri state agencies to allow the Board office to acquire employment data on Kansas graduates who work in Missouri. Aggregated data from this collection will eventually be reported under Foresight 2020 Goal Two.

### **REPORT FROM COUNCIL OF PRESIDENTS**

President Martin reported the System Council of Presidents discussed program articulation and received an update on legislative matters. The Council of Presidents approved the following programs: Kansas State University's Ph.D in Personal Financial Planning, the University of Kansas Medical Center's Master of Science in Cancer Biology, and the University of Kansas Medical Center's Ph.D. in Cancer Biology. These programs will be forwarded to the Board for consideration. The Council of Presidents also received information regarding the Board's student health insurance plan and discussed leave equalization for University Support Staff. The Council forwarded the leave equalization issue to the Council of Business Officers for further review.

### **REPORT FROM COUNCIL OF FACULTY SENATE PRESIDENTS**

Lorie Cook Benjamin presented the Council of Faculty Senate Presidents' report. The Council discussed the economic impact and the public perception of higher education in the state. The Council also discussed implementation of post-tenure review, merit-based salary increases, and the weapons policy. The Council plans to gather feedback from faculty regarding concealed carry on campus.

### **REPORT FROM STUDENTS' ADVISORY COMMITTEE**

The Students' Advisory Committee report was presented by Jessie Pringle. Ms. Pringle reported the students plan to hold their annual Higher Education Day at the Statehouse in the first week of February and have begun discussing potential topics. Additionally, the Committee discussed concealed carry on the state university campuses. She noted the Committee plans to have the Docking Institute create a survey to gather student opinions on the implementation of the concealed carry law. The survey, once created, will be conducted on each state university campus.

**UNCLASSIFIED STAFF COUNCIL**

Brett Morrill presented the Unclassified Staff Council report. The unclassified staff discussed professional development opportunities and tuition assistance. The Council is also reviewing ways to work more closely with the unclassified support staff council.

**UNCLASSIFIED SUPPORT STAFF COUNCIL**

Marcia Tacha presented the Unclassified Support Staff Council report. The Council discussed annual leave equality and their concerns about KPERS funding.

**STANDING COMMITTEE AND OTHER REPORTS****ACADEMIC AFFAIRS**

Regent Van Etten reported the Board Academic Affairs Standing Committee reviewed the Student Learning Assessment Report, which is on Thursday's discussion agenda. The Committee also discussed the performance agreement report process and received an update on transfer and articulation.

**FISCAL AFFAIRS AND AUDIT**

Regent Feuerborn presented the Board Fiscal Affairs and Audit Standing Committee report. The Committee adopted its topics for the year and discussed Wichita State University's tuition proposals. Wichita State would like to offer in-state tuition to the Tulsa and Oklahoma City Metropolitan Statistical Areas and would like to offer contractual market-based education at rates other than the current credit hour tuition rate. President Bardo will make a presentation to the full Board on both proposals on Thursday.

**APPROVAL OF CONSENT AGENDA**

Regent Murguia moved, with the second of Regent Feuerborn, that the Consent Agenda be approved. The motion carried.

*Academic Affairs***BACHELOR OF ARTS IN JEWISH STUDIES – KU**

The University of Kansas received authorization to offer a Bachelor of Arts in Jewish Studies. No additional resources are required to support the new program.

**MASTER IN INNOVATION DESIGN – WSU**

Wichita State University received approval to offer a Master in Innovation Design. Internal reallocation of funds will be used to cover the cost for a director position. It is anticipated that the program will be revenue neutral after the initial start-up phase.

*Fiscal Affairs & Audit***RAZE MCCOLLUM HALL – KU**

The University of Kansas received authorization to raze McCollum Hall. The Hall has already been replaced by two new residence halls and the cost of razing

McCollum was planned for within the bonding of the two new halls. The estimated cost to raze the building is \$2,834,000.

#### RAZE THE STOUFFER PLACE APARTMENTS – KU

The University of Kansas received authorization to raze the Stouffer Place Apartments. The deferred maintenance burden for these buildings is over \$14 million and the estimated cost of demolition is \$2 million. The razing of the Stouffer Place Apartments will be funded as part of the Central District Improvements.

#### RAZE STORAGE SHED – KSU

Kansas State University received approval to raze a storage shed, Building #490, at the Kansas River Valley Fields, 6347 NW 17<sup>th</sup> Street, Topeka, Kansas. The estimated cost to raze the shed is \$2,000, which will be financed from Kansas State University's rehabilitation and repair allocation from the Education Building Fund. Following demolition, the site will be utilized for agricultural research purposes.

### **CONSIDERATION OF DISCUSSION AGENDA**

#### Presentation

#### UPDATE ON ENGINEERING INITIATIVE AND UNIVERSITY RESEARCH GRANTS

Zoe Gruber, Director of Workforce Training and Education, gave a progress report on the Engineering Initiative. The Act was designed to expand the state's professional engineer education programs at Kansas State University, the University of Kansas, and Wichita State University. The Legislature appropriated \$3.5 million per year for ten years (beginning in FY 2011) to each of the three universities. The Act also requires the universities to match the funding 1:1 with non-state sources. The goal of the initiative is to increase the number of engineering graduates to 1,365 per year by 2021. The following is the breakdown of engineering graduates by institution for academic year 2013-2014: Kansas State University – 529, University of Kansas – 367, and Wichita State University – 238. Ms. Gruber reviewed the graduation rates for each of the universities and discussed enrollments. To meet the goal, the data indicates that the universities will need to have 9,258 students enrolled in engineering. Currently, the universities have a total of 7,640 students enrolled, which requires additional enrollments of 1,618.

Director Gruber also presented an update on the university research grants. The Kansas Legislature appropriated \$5 million in ongoing funds for the following initiatives: Kansas State University's Global Food Systems, University of Kansas Medical Center's Cancer Center, and Wichita State University's Aviation Research. Each of these initiatives requires a 1:1 dollar match by the university. The Legislature also requires each university to submit a plan as to how these initiatives will create additional jobs and economic value for the state. Additionally, Kansas State University's Veterinary Medical Center received \$5 million in ongoing appropriations to improve its rankings. Director Gruber noted a steering committee was formed to provide oversight and accountability on how these funds are being used. This committee comprises representatives from the Department of Commerce and the Kansas Board of Regents and will report to the Board Fiscal

Affairs and Audit Standing Committee at least once per year on the outcomes from these initiatives.

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Fiscal Affairs and Audit

EXCHANGE OF PROPERTY WITH THE CITY OF PITTSBURG – PSU

Greg Hoffman, Director of Facilities, introduced Pittsburg State University's request to exchange property with the City of Pittsburg. The 2015 Legislature authorized the exchange of land, which is described below in an excerpt from Chapter 104 of the Kansas Session Laws. Director Hoffman noted the Kansas Attorney General still needs to review and approve the transaction. Once this occurs, PSU is to report the approval back to the Board Fiscal Affairs and Audit Standing Committee. Regent Mullin moved to approve the exchange, contingent upon the Attorney General's approval. Regent Murguia seconded, and the motion carried.

“Sec. 183. (a) During the fiscal year ending June 30, 2016, in addition to the other purposes for which expenditures may be made by the chief executive officer of the state board of regents, from moneys appropriated from the state general fund or any special revenue fund or funds for the state board of regents for fiscal year 2016 by this act or any other appropriation act of the 2015 regular session of the legislature, expenditures shall be made by the chief executive officer of the state board of regents from the state general fund or from any special revenue fund or funds for fiscal year 2016, for and on behalf of Pittsburg state university, to exchange and convey the tracts of real property described in subsection (b) to the city of Pittsburg, Kansas, in consideration for the city of Pittsburg exchanging and conveying the tracts of real property described in subsection (c) to Pittsburg state university. The exchange and conveyance of real property by the state board of regents under this section shall be executed in the name of the state board of regents by its chairperson and its chief executive officer. The deed for such conveyance may be by warranty deed or by quitclaim deed as determined to be in the best interests of the state by the state board of regents in consultation with the attorney general. No exchange and conveyance of real estate and improvements thereon as authorized by this section shall be made by the state board of regents until the deeds and conveyances have been reviewed and approved by the attorney general and, if warranty deeds are to be the instruments of conveyance, title reviews have been performed or title insurance has been obtained and the title opinion or the certificates of title insurance, as the case may be, have been approved by the attorney general. The conveyance authorized by this section shall not be subject to the provisions of K.S.A. 75-430a, 75-3043a, 75-6609 or 75-6611, and amendments thereto.

(b) (1) In accordance with the provisions of this section, the state board of regents is hereby authorized to exchange and convey a tract of land to the city of Pittsburg commonly known as the south of east hills addition, particularly described as follows: Part of Section Thirty Three (33), Township Thirty (30) South, Range Twenty Five (25) East of the Sixth Principal Meridian, Crawford County, Kansas, according to the United States Government Survey thereof bounded and described as follows: Beginning at a point 600 feet East of the SW corner of the North half of the NW 1/4 of said Section, thence continuing East 1766.82 feet (more or less) along the South line of the North half of the NW 1/4 to a point 300 feet West of the NE corner, SE 1/4, NW 1/4, thence South and parallel to the East line of the SE 1/4 of the NW 1/4 a distance of 435.60 feet, thence East 300 feet to the East line of the SE 1/4 of the NW 1/4, thence South along the half section line 882.51 feet (more or less) to a 3/4 inch iron pipe set at center of said Section, thence

East and along the half section line 500.05 feet to the centerline of creek, thence South 753.68 feet, thence West and parallel to the half section line 702.94 feet, thence North 819.46 feet (more or less) to a point being 176.88 feet West and 80.98 feet North of the center of said Section, thence West and parallel to the half section line a distance of 426.63 feet, thence North 368.58 feet, thence West 1629 feet to the East right-of-way of the Kansas City Southern Railroad, thence Northwesterly along railroad right-of-way 491.75 feet, thence East 296.15 feet, thence North 238.41 feet, thence East 110.53 feet (more or less) to a point 600 feet East and 212.50 feet South of the SW corner, NW 1/4, NW 1/4, thence 212.50 feet to point of beginning. (Said Tract containing 59.0 acres, more or less).

(2) In accordance with the provisions of this section, the state board of regents is hereby authorized to exchange and convey a tract of land to the city of Pittsburg, particularly described as follows: Part of the West half (W 1/2) of the Northeast Quarter (NE 1/4) of Section Thirty Three (33), Township Thirty (30) South, Range Twenty Five (25) East of the Sixth Principal Meridian, Crawford County, Kansas, according to the United States Government Survey thereof bounded and described as follows: Beginning at the Northwest Corner of the Southwest Quarter (SW 1/4) of the Northeast Quarter (NE 1/4) of said Section Thirty Three (33); thence South along the West line of said Southwest Quarter (SW 1/4) of Northeast Quarter (NE 1/4) a distance of One Thousand Three Hundred Thirty Three (1,333) feet to a: 3/4 inch iron pipe set at the center of said Section Thirty Three (33); Thence East along the South line of said Southwest Quarter (SW 1/4) of the Northeast Quarter (NE 1/4) a distance of Five Hundred and Five Hundredths (500.05) feet to center line of creek; Thence generally North along the center line of creek a distance of Seven Hundred Eighty (780) feet, more or less to a point in center line of creek Six Hundred Twenty Nine and Twenty Four Hundredths (629.24) feet South and Four Hundred Seventy One and Four Hundredths (471.04) feet East of the Northwest corner of the Southwest Quarter (SW 1/4) of Northeast Quarter (NE 1/4) of said Section Thirty Three (33), Thence North a distance of Forty Four (44) feet to a 1/2 inch iron pipe set; Thence continuing North a distance of Two Hundred Forty Three (243) feet to a 3/4 inch iron pipe set; Thence North a distance of Twenty Three (23) feet to a point in center line of creek Three Hundred Nineteen and Twenty Four Hundredths (319.24) feet South and Four Hundred Sixty Nine and Ninety Three Hundredths (469.93) feet East of the Northwest Corner of Southwest Quarter (SW 1/4) of Northeast Quarter (NE 1/4); Thence North and West with the meander of the center line of creek a distance of One Thousand One Hundred Thirty Eight (1138) feet, more or less to a point in the center line of creek and on the West line of the Northwest Quarter (NW 1/4) of Northeast Quarter (NE 1/4) a distance of Three Hundred Sixty Three and Thirty Three Hundredths (363.33) feet North of the Northwest corner of Southwest Quarter (SW 1/4) of the Northeast Quarter (NE 1/4); Thence South along said West line of said Northwest Quarter (NW 1/4) of Northeast Quarter (NE 1/4) a distance of Three Hundred Sixty Three and Thirty Three Hundredths (363.33) feet to the point of beginning. (Said Tract containing 13.73 acres, more or less).

(c) (1) In accordance with the provisions of this section, Pittsburg state university is hereby authorized to accept title to a tract of real property of approximately 25.1 acres commonly known as the research and development park conveyed to the university by the city of Pittsburg, particularly described as follows: Pittsburg Research and Development Park Phase II, Lots 1, 2, 3, 4 and 5.

(2) In accordance with the provisions of this section, Pittsburg state university is hereby authorized to accept title to a tract of real property particularly described as follows: Commencing at the Southwest Corner of the Northwest Quarter (NW 1/4) of Section 33, Township 30 South, Range 25 East of the Sixth Principal Meridian, City of Pittsburg, County of Crawford, State of Kansas; thence on a bearing of South 88 Degrees 50 Minutes 56 Seconds East

(this and all following bearings are assumed) along the Southerly line of said Quarter Section, a distance of 45.01 feet to a point on the existing right-of-way line of Rouse Avenue and Centennial Avenue as established by resolution and order for Tract 21, dated August 30, 1965, said point being the true point of beginning; thence on a bearing of North 00 Degrees 03 Minutes 28 Seconds West along said existing right-of-way line, a distance of 547.10 feet to a bend point in said existing right-of-way line; thence on a bearing of North 02 Degrees 47 Minutes 29 Seconds East continuing along said existing right-of-way line, a distance of 201.20 feet to a bend point in said existing right-of-way line, thence on a bearing of North 00 Degrees 03 Minutes 28 Seconds West continuing along said existing right-of-way line a distance of 175.66 feet to the point of intersection of said existing right-of-way line with the Westerly right-of-way line of the Kansas City Southern Railroad Company as now established; thence on a bearing of South 29 Degrees 55 Minutes 56 Seconds East along said Westerly right-of-way line, a distance of 1011.10 feet to a point of intersection with the extended Southerly permanent easement line of a sanitary sewer as it now exists; thence on a bearing of North 86 Degrees 35 Minutes 46 Seconds West along said Southerly permanent easement line, a distance of 310.56 feet to a bend point in said Southerly easement line; thence on a bearing of South 87 Degrees 02 Minutes 31 Seconds West continuing along said Southerly easement line, a distance of 51.73 feet; thence on a bearing of South 44 Degrees 52 Minutes 58 Seconds West, a distance of 91.75 feet to the Northerly line of the Southwest Quarter (SW 1/4) of Section 33, Township 30 South, Range 25 East of the Sixth Principal Meridian; thence continuing on a bearing of South 44 Degrees 52 Minutes 58 Seconds West, a distance of 84.94 feet; thence on a bearing of North 90 Degrees 00 Minutes 00 Seconds West along a line perpendicular to the Westerly line of said Southwest Quarter Section, a distance of 27.23 feet to a point on said existing right-of-way line of Rouse Avenue and Centennial Avenue; thence on a bearing of North 00 Degrees 00 Minutes 00 Seconds East along said existing right-of-way line, a distance of 61.94 feet, to the point of beginning; the above described tract of land contains 231,726 square feet or 5.320 acres more or less.”

#### AMENDMENTS TO MEMORANDUM OF AGREEMENT WITH PSU/KNEA – PSU

Theresa Schwartz, Associate General Counsel, presented the proposed amendments to the Memorandum of Agreement with Pittsburg State University and the Kansas National Education Association. The proposed changes are to the salaries and duration articles. Regent Murguia moved to approve the proposed amendments to the MOA and authorized the Chair to execute on behalf of the Board. Following the second of Regent Feuerborn, the motion carried.

#### AMENDMENTS TO MEMORANDUM OF AGREEMENT WITH FHSU/AAUP – FHSU

Associate General Counsel Schwartz presented the proposed amendments to the Memorandum of Agreement with Fort Hays State University and the American Association of University Professors. The amendments include changes to the salary article, the post-tenure review article, and the sabbatical leave article. Regent Bain moved to approve the proposed amendments to the MOA and authorized the Chair to execute on behalf of the Board. Regent Thomas seconded, and the motion carried.

#### NAMING OF BUILDING – FHSU

President Martin requested naming the Entrepreneurship Scholarship Hall in honor of Dane G. Hansen. Regent Murfin moved to approve, and Regent Van Etten seconded. The motion carried. The building will be named the Dane G. Hansen Scholarship Hall.

NAMING OF BUILDING – KSU

President Schulz requested naming the Basketball Training Facility located in the Kansas State University Athletics Complex in honor of Carl and Mary Ice and their children. Regent Mullin moved to approve. Following the second of Regent Newton, the motion carried. The facility will be named the Ice Family Basketball Center.

NAMING OF BUILDING – KSU

President Schulz requested naming a portion of the Seaton Complex and the atrium space in honor of Victor and Helen Regnier. Regent Van Etten moved to approve, and Regent Newton seconded. The motion carried. This area will be named Regnier Hall.

Other MattersUPDATE ON THE BIOSECURITY RESEARCH INSTITUTE (BRI) SECURITY EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE ACTIVITIES – KSU

President Schulz presented an update on the activities of the Biosecurity Research Institute (BRI) Security Executive Committee. This Committee is comprised of the University President, Provost, Vice President for Research, and the Facility Security Officer. It meets twice a year to review projects that require security clearance. President Schulz reported that two classified contracts have been awarded to the BRI since it was granted security clearance. In March 2015, the BRI received a commendable rating, which is the second highest possible, from the National Defense Security Service.

(PowerPoint filed with Official Minutes)

UPDATE ON THE KU SECURE RESEARCH FACILITY SECURITY EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE ACTIVITIES – KU

Chancellor Gray-Little presented an update on the KU Secure Research Facility. KU has been awarded a contract to develop certain technology that requires federal security clearance. The Security Executive Committee is authorized by the Board to manage, control, and supervise all classified information. This Committee is comprised of the University Chancellor, Provost and Executive Vice Chancellor, Vice Chancellor for Research, Vice Provost for Administration and Finance, and the Faculty Security Officer.

UPDATED RESOLUTION TRANSFERRING BOARD'S AUTHORITY TO EXERCISE MANAGEMENT CONTROL OVER SECURITY OF CERTAIN BIOSECURITY RESEARCH INSTITUTE (BRI) RELATED CLASSIFIED INFORMATION TO A SECURITY EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE – KSU AND UPDATED RESOLUTION TRANSFERRING BOARD'S AUTHORITY TO EXERCISE MANAGEMENT CONTROL OVER SECURITY OF CERTAIN CLASSIFIED INFORMATION OF THE KU SECURE RESEARCH FACILITY TO A SECURITY EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE – KU

General Counsel Julene Miller introduced an updated Resolution related to the Biosecurity Research Institute. This Resolution exempts members of the Board from exercising management control and supervision over the security of certain classified information, and transfers that management control to a University Security Executive Committee comprised of the KSU

President, Provost, and Facility Security Officer. It is being updated to include the names of the new Board members.

She also presented a Resolution related to the University of Kansas' Secure Research Facility. This Resolution also exempts members of the Board from exercising management control and supervision over the security of certain classified information and transfers that management control to a University Security Executive Committee, comprised of the KU Chancellor, Provost and Executive Vice Chancellor, Vice Chancellor for Research, Vice Provost for Administration and Finance, and Facility Security Officer. It is being also updated in order to include the names of the new Board members.

Regent Newton moved to approve both Resolutions. Regent Murfin seconded, and the motion carried.

#### EXECUTIVE SESSION

At 3:07 p.m., Regent Newton moved, followed by the second of Regent Van Etten, to recess into executive session for 30 minutes starting at 3:25 p.m. to discuss personnel matters of non-elected personnel. Participating in the executive session were members of the Board, President Flanders, and President Martin. At 3:55 p.m., the meeting returned to open session. Regent Newton moved to extend 5 minutes. Regent Van Etten seconded, and the motion carried. At 4:00 p.m., the meeting returned to open session.

#### RECESS

The Chair recessed the meeting at 4:00 p.m.

#### RECONVENE

Chair Bangerter reconvened the meeting at 9:20 a.m. on Thursday, September 17.

MEMBERS PRESENT:

- Shane Bangerter, Chair
- Zoe Newton, Vice Chair
- Joe Bain
- Ann Brandau-Murguia (by conference call)
- Bill Feuerborn
- Dennis Mullin
- Dave Murfin
- Daniel Thomas
- Helen Van Etten

#### INTRODUCTIONS

President Inbody introduced Cowley County Community College's new President, Dr. Dennis Rittle.

#### REPORTS

**REPORT FROM SYSTEM COUNCIL OF PRESIDENTS**

President Inbody presented the System Council of Presidents' report. The Council received a report from the System Council of Chief Academic Officers regarding the Higher Learning Commission's changes to faculty qualifications. President Inbody reported the Council spent the majority of their time discussing transfer and articulation. Board staff gave an update on the number of courses that currently transfer and the work being done on program articulation.

**CONSIDERATION OF DISCUSSION AGENDA***Academic Affairs***REPORT ON STUDENT LEARNING ASSESSMENT**

Vice President Gary Alexander presented the report on student learning assessment. One of the aspirations under Goal Two (Improve Economic Alignment) in Foresight 2020 is to respond to expectations of business and industry for core workplace skills. It was decided that institutions should perform student assessments in three areas: 1) Mathematics/Analytical Reasoning, 2) Written and Oral Communication, and 3) Critical Thinking/Problem Solving. Dr. Alexander stated each institution measures learning in a manner consistent with its mission and is required by the Higher Learning Commission to have mechanisms in place to assess student learning. The individual institutions use the assessment information to enable faculty to improve the curriculum and instruction. It was noted the current reporting tool is helpful for internal use by the institutions; however, Regent Newton asked staff to explore other options to make the report more useful for the Board.

*Fiscal Affairs and Audit***AMEND AGENDA**

Regent Feuerborn moved that the Board's discussion agenda for September 17, 2015 be amended to include a presentation by President Bardo on the two Wichita State University tuition proposals. Regent Murfin seconded, and the motion carried.

**WICHITA STATE UNIVERSITY'S SPECIAL TUITION PROPOSALS FOR THE TULSA AND OKLAHOMA CITY AREAS AND CONTRACTUAL MARKET-BASED EDUCATION**

President Bardo stated Wichita State University is seeking approval to offer in-state tuition to residents of Tulsa and Oklahoma City. By offering in-state tuition to residents of these two major metropolitan hubs, WSU will have an opportunity to grow its enrollment. President Bardo reported because of WSU's increased emphasis on internships and entrepreneurship, some of the out-of-state students will stay in Kansas to work after graduating. The Board discussed whether there will be an impact on Pittsburg State University since the Gorilla Advantage already extends into Tulsa. President Bardo does not believe there will be any effect because the institutions are different and will attract different types of students. The Board also asked to receive information on current enrollment numbers of Oklahoma residents and the forecasted impact on enrollment if in-state tuition is offered.

Additionally, President Bardo presented a proposal that would allow Wichita State University to enter into agreements with partner entities to offer market-based courses for credit. He stated in

today's marketplace more and more graduates need to be "life-long learners." These agreements will allow WSU to customize courses and tuition rates to meet the specific needs of partner entities. The Board requested more information on how this proposal would work and whether the other state universities are interested in the concept. These two proposals are deferred to the October Board meeting.

(Handouts filed with Official Minutes)

#### REVISIONS TO HIGHER EDUCATION UNIFIED APPROPRIATIONS REQUEST FOR 2016 LEGISLATIVE SESSION

Elaine Frisbie, Vice President of Finance and Administration, presented the proposed revisions to the Higher Education Unified Appropriations Request. The Board reviewed these requests at the July budget meeting and the August retreat. Regent Feuerborn moved to approve, and Regent Bain seconded. The motion carried.

(Summary Table attached to Official Minutes)

#### Governance

#### BOARD MEMBER CONFLICT OF INTEREST DISCLOSURE STATEMENTS

General Counsel Miller presented a summary of reported items from the Board Member Conflict of Interest Disclosure Statements. The following disclosures were made:

1. One Regent serves on the *governing* board of an *institution* that is *coordinated* by the Board:
  - Regent Feuerborn serves as the Kansas Board of Regents appointee to the Board of Regents of Washburn University pursuant to statute.
2. One Regent has reported service on the *governing* board of an *affiliated corporation* of an institution that is *governed* by the Board:
  - Regent Murfin serves as a member of the Board of Trustees of the Kansas University Endowment Association, an affiliated corporation of the University of Kansas.
3. One Regent has reported service on an *advisory* board of an *institution* that is *regulated* by the Board.
  - Regent Murguia serves as a member on the board of trustees of the University of Missouri-Kansas City, an out-of-state public institution that has a certificate of approval from the Board to operate within the State of Kansas.
4. Two Regents have reported service on *advisory* boards of *institutions governed* by the Board:
  - Regent Mullin serves as a member of Kansas State University's College of Business Advisory Council and Global Campus Advisory Board, both of which are sounding boards for their respective programs.
  - Regent Murfin serves as a member of the University of Kansas School of Business Board of Advisors.
5. Two Regents have reported an Interest in an entity that has entered a contract or transaction with an *institution* that is *coordinated* by the Board for the performance of services:

- Regent Bangerter is a partner in a law firm (Rebein, Bangerter & Rebein) that has provided legal services to Dodge City Community College in the past and may do so for that or other institutions in the future.
  - Regent Bain is a 40% shareholder and vice president of a law firm (Cure & Bain, P.C.) that provides legal representation to Northwest Kansas Technical College.
6. Two Regents have reported an Interest in an entity that has entered a contract or transaction with an *institution* that is *governed* by the Board:
- Regent Murguia is the executive director of a not-for-profit organization (the Argentine Neighborhood Development Association) that regularly partners with the University of Kansas Medical Center to support the mission of the Association.
  - Regent Murfin has an ownership interest in a company (MWCB, LLC) that has one or more construction related contracts with Wichita State University or its affiliated corporations.

Regent Newton moved to approve the continued service of Board members serving on the boards listed above, conditioned on each member's recognition that their duty is first to the Board of Regents and for the Regents named in 5 and 6 above, they are to excuse themselves from participating on behalf of the Board in matters involving or related to the contract or transaction. Regent Van Etten seconded, and the motion carried.

### Other Matters

#### REPORT FROM KANSAS POSTSECONDARY TECHNICAL EDUCATION AUTHORITY

Rita Johnson, Vice President of Workforce Development, presented the Kansas Postsecondary Technical Education Authority report. The TEA received an update from the Tiered/Non-Tiered Course Reclassification subcommittee and discussed potential tiered funding distribution scenarios. She stated the TEA will present its recommendations for the redistribution of funding to the Board at the November meeting. The Board will then submit its final plan regarding the funding to the Legislature by February 1, 2016.

#### 2015-2016 AGENDA TOPICS FOR THE BOARD ACADEMIC AFFAIRS STANDING COMMITTEE, FISCAL AFFAIRS AND AUDIT STANDING COMMITTEE AND GOVERNANCE COMMITTEE AND BOARD GOALS FOR 2015-2016

Regent Bangerter stated that at the Board retreat each of the Board committees created agenda topics and the Board discussed specific goals for the upcoming year. Regent Mullin moved to approve each of the committee topics and the Board Goals for 2015-2016. Regent Van Etten seconded, and the motion carried. The following Board Goals were adopted:

1. The Board will develop policy to address concealed carry and open carry laws on state university campuses in Kansas, in advance of the July 1, 2017 expiration of the legal exemption now in place.
2. The Board will study current campus Title IX practices, policies, and procedures and develop a Board policy to add uniformity to current university practices, policies, and procedures.

3. The Board will further the implementation of Credit for Prior Learning in Kansas, with an emphasis on serving active and veteran service members and their families.
4. The Board will explore and identify which are the best strategies to attract Kansans with some college but no degree back to higher education to complete a certificate or degree.
5. The Board will identify strategies for university and college engagement with business and industry with the purpose to increase economic prosperity for Kansans. The strategies will have a national and global reach and focus on innovation and talent development to keep Kansas business competitive.
6. The Board will review current collaborative efforts between institutions and determine if there are other areas where efficiencies can be implemented.

In addition, multi-year Board goals from the previous academic year will be continued.

(2015-2016 Committee Agenda Topics filed with Official Minutes)

**MEMBERS APPOINTED TO VARIOUS BOARD COMMITTEES AND THE WASHBURN BOARD OF REGENTS**

Regent Newton moved to approve the appointments to the various committees. Following the second of Regent Bain, the motion carried.

(Committee Appointments filed with Official Minutes)

**ADJOURNMENT**

Chair Bangerter adjourned the meeting at 10:00 a.m.

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Blake Flanders, President and CEO

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Shane Bangerter, Chair