The January 18, 2017, meeting of the Kansas Board of Regents was called to order by Chair Zoe Newton at 1:30 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:  
Zoe Newton, Chair  
Dave Murfin, Vice Chair  
Joe Bain  
Shane Bangerter  
Ann Brandau-Murguia  
Bill Feuerborn  
Dennis Mullin  
Daniel Thomas

MEMBER ABSENT:  
Helen Van Etten

APPROVAL OF MINUTES
Regent Thomas moved that the minutes of the December 14, 2016 meeting be approved. Following the second of Regent Bangerter, the motion carried.

INTRODUCTIONS
Regent Bangerter announced over the last several months his family has hosted two high school exchange students. He introduced Alessia Cargnino an exchange student from Italy and Rodrigo Angulo an exchange student from Spain. President Bardo introduced Wichita State University’s new Vice President of Finance and Administration, Werner Golling, and new Vice President of Student Affairs, Teri Hall.

GENERAL REPORTS

REPORT FROM CHAIR
Chair Newton thanked the Government Relations Officers for hosting a reception for the Board and legislators prior to the Governor’s State of the State address. She also reported the Board will host the university foundation and alumni board chairs this evening. The discussion will center around higher education advocacy.

REPORT FROM PRESIDENT AND CEO
President Flanders reported he testified before the Senate Education Committee earlier in the week. He noted the senators are interested in the goals of Foresight 2020, and the Committee Chair is interested in creating a common undergraduate admissions application for state universities. One of the Board’s goals this year is to conduct a cost-benefit analysis of developing a common online application and work has begun on that goal. President Flanders also reported he will be testifying before the House Higher Education Budget Committee later in the week. Additionally, he highlighted the Kansas Board of Regents Nursing Faculty and Supplies Grant RFP, which is on
the Board’s consent agenda, and recognized Madi Vannaman, Board Staff Affiliate, who was the
game-clock operator for the 2017 College Football Playoff National Championship Game.

REPORT FROM COUNCIL OF PRESIDENTS
Chancellor Gray-Little presented the Council of Presidents’ report. The Council received updates
from the Council of Chief Academic Officers, Council of Business Officers, Council of
Government Relations Officers, Council of Student Affairs Officers, and University Support Staff
Council. The Academic Officers received information on the implementation process for the
Board’s Credit by Examination policy and the proposal for a faculty residency at the Board office.
The Academic Officers also discussed the Governor’s proposal for a $15,000 degree, which the
Officers envision as a 2+2 degree. The Business Officers discussed the proposed J-1 Visa
legislation and the University Support Staff Council’s request for tuition exchange. The
Government Relations Officers reminded the CEOs that higher education day at the Capitol is
scheduled for Thursday, January 19, 2017. The Student Affairs Officers continue to work on
emergency planning and are monitoring the mumps outbreak. The Officers also discussed whether
a felony conviction should be marked on a student’s admission application. The University
Support Staff received information on their request for a paid day of service. The law that
authorizes the Board to enhance annual or discretionary leave has a limit and that limit has been
reached, and the Board lacks authority to create a new category of leave.

The Council of Presidents approved the University of Kansas’ Master of Science in Business and
Organizational Leadership, which will be forwarded to the Board for consideration. The
amendments to the Annual and Multiple Year Appointment policy and the recommended changes
to the Board’s student health insurance benefit and premium rates were approved. The Council
discussed the cost associated with reaching the assigned attainment numbers and plans to work on
a model that will calculate each institution’s average cost to educate a student.

Chancellor Gray-Little stated at the November Board meeting, Regent Bangerter requested the
Council examine non-resident tuition policies and strategies. The Council decided that the CEOs
should bring any non-resident tuition proposal that may impact the system to the Council first so
that members have an opportunity to comment on the proposal before it is forwarded to the Board.

REPORT FROM COUNCIL OF FACULTY SENATE PRESIDENTS
Pam Keller presented the Council of Faculty Senate Presidents’ report. The Council discussed the
implementation of the campus concealed carry policies and the possibility that legislation may be
introduced to exempt universities from the law. The faculty are also working on implementing the
Credit by Examination policy. The policy allows academic disciplines to establish a systemwide
Advanced Placement (AP) exam score above three. The faculty in academic disciplines are
discussing AP scores and currently only Physics and Art History are looking at having a higher
AP score.

REPORT FROM STUDENTS’ ADVISORY COMMITTEE
Stephonn Alcorn reported the Students’ Advisory Committee has been working on its legislative
items. The students are going to advocate for amending the Personal and Family Protection Act
to exempt university buildings from the law and allow the Board to authorize the university CEOs
to designate areas on their campuses where concealed carry may be permitted. The students
believe this amendment would align Kansas law with the other states that permit concealed carry on campus. The Committee recommends creating a broad “Yes Means Yes” affirmative consent law. Affirmative consent means it is the responsibility of each person engaged in the sexual activity to receive affirmative consent before engaging and while engaging in sexual activity, and consent may be revoked at any time. Mr. Alcorn noted some universities have policies that enforce affirmative consent but this legislation would expand the standard across the state. The Committee will also advocate for the restoration and stabilization of funding for the state universities. The students look forward to discussing these items with the Board at their breakfast in February.

REPORT FROM UNCLASSIFIED STAFF COUNCIL
Elizabeth Phillips presented the Unclassified Staff Council report. The Council discussed how each unclassified senate is organized on the different campuses, and their concerns about the implementation of concealed carry on the campuses. Ms. Phillips also thanked the Board for the opportunity to serve on the University of Kansas Chancellor Search Committee.

REPORT FROM UNIVERSITY SUPPORT STAFF COUNCIL
Chris Wallace presented the report for the University Support Staff Council (USS). The Council continues to discuss ways to improve staff morale. Last semester the USS asked the Council of Presidents (COPs) to consider the possibility of a paid day of service for staff members and creating a systemwide tuition exchange program. During today’s COPs meeting, the USS received information regarding the statutory leave limits, which will not allow for an additional paid day of leave. The USS also discussed the concerns regarding the implementation of concealed carry on campus. The USS are dedicated to working with their administrators to ensure staff are properly trained to understand the policies and law.

INTRODUCTION
Regent Newton welcomed Fort Hays State University’s Interim President, Andy Tompkins.

STANDING COMMITTEE AND OTHER REPORTS

ACADEMIC AFFAIRS
Jean Redeker, Vice President for Academic Affairs, presented the Board Academic Affairs Standing Committee report. During its conference call earlier this month, the Committee reviewed the academic items on today’s Board agenda. Vice President Redeker noted with the approval of the nine additional transfer courses, there will be 75 courses included in the systemwide transfer matrix. At today’s meeting, the Committee received information on the quality assurance of systemwide transfer courses and received an update on credit for military alignment.

FISCAL AFFAIRS AND AUDIT
Regent Bain presented the Board Fiscal Affairs and Audit report. The Committee reviewed items on the Board agenda. Members received additional information on Kansas State University’s Agronomy Education Building including how the University will finance the operation and maintenance of the new building. The Committee received BKD’s external management review of Kansas State University. There were no findings for conflict of interest over the review period that coincided with President Schulz’s final two years at the University. The Dean of KSU’s Veterinary Medical Center updated the Committee on how the Veterinary Medical Center is using
the state’s operating enhancement to improve its rankings. The Committee also received the annual updates from all six state university internal auditors, as required by Board policy.

GOVERNANCE
Regent Feuerborn reported the Governance Committee approved updates to the Board’s Frequently Asked Questions document regarding concealed carry on the campuses. The updates align the document with current law and the Board’s policy. The Committee approved amendments to portions of the Council and Committee policy regarding the Unclassified Staff Council and the University Support Staff Council and received security updates from the University of Kansas and Fort Hays State University, which were conducted in executive session.

APPROVAL OF CONSENT AGENDA
Regent Bain moved, with the second of Regent Feuerborn, that the Consent Agenda be approved. The motion carried.

Academic Affairs

PROGRAMS FOR CLOUD COUNTY COMMUNITY COLLEGE AND KANSAS CITY KANSAS COMMUNITY COLLEGE
Cloud County Community College received approval to offer an Associate of Applied Science degree (62 credit hours) and a technical certificate B (30 credit hours) in Precision Agriculture Production (01.0304). The estimated cost to deliver the program is approximately $97,500, which will be funded with the College’s general fund and student lab fees.

Kansas City Kansas Community College received approval to offer a technical certificate A (16 credit hours) in Nail Technology (12.0410). There is no additional cost to increase the program by one credit hour (KCKCC currently offers a 15 credit hour Nail Technology Stand Alone Parent Program).

COURSES FOR SYSTEMWIDE TRANSFER
The following list of courses where approved for inclusion in the systemwide transfer matrix:

- Anatomy and Physiology – 8 credit hours
- Biology II and Lab for Majors
- Contemporary Math/Essential Math
- First Aid and CPR
- General Calculus/Business Calculus
- Introduction to Business
- Introduction to Education
- Introduction to Women’s Studies
- Medical Terminology

Fiscal Affairs & Audit
RAZING OF BUILDINGS 440 AND 441 – KSU
Kansas State University received authorization to raze a concrete block and steel barn, building #440, and a metal shed, building #441, at the Purebred Beef Unit location, 1517 Kimball Avenue, Manhattan, Kansas. The estimated cost to raze both buildings is $65,000, which will be financed from the funds appropriated by the Legislature to relocate the Purebred Beef Unit.

AMENDMENTS TO FY 2017 CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PLAN TO ADD AGRONOMY EDUCATION CENTER – KSU
Kansas State University received approval to amend its FY 2017 Capital Improvement Plan to add the Agronomy Education Center. The 6,600 square foot Center will be located adjacent to the Ag Research Center on Kimball Avenue. The project cost is estimated at $1.2 million and will be financed from private funds. Departmental funds will finance the operations and maintenance costs.

KANSAS BOARD OF REGENTS NURSING FACULTY AND SUPPLIES GRANT PROGRAM
The process for moving forward with the RFP regarding the grant that supports the nursing faculty and supplies was approved.

AMENDMENTS TO MEMORANDUM OF AGREEMENT WITH PITTSBURG STATE UNIVERSITY AND THE PSU CHAPTER OF THE KANSAS NATIONAL EDUCATION ASSOCIATION (KNEA)
The amendments to Memorandum of Agreement between Pittsburg State University and the PSU Chapter of the Kansas National Education Association (KNEA) were approved. The change to the existing three-year Agreement is a $400 one-time payment to each unit member who is benefits-eligible as of August 2016. This payment will not become part of the members’ base salary and will cost $100,800, which will be financed by tuition revenue. The Board Chair is authorized to execute the amended Agreement.

Retirement Plan

APPOINT MEMBER TO RETIREMENT PLAN COMMITTEE
President Garrett was appointed to the Board Retirement Plan Committee as the Council of Presidents’ representative. Her term expires on June 30, 2019.

Other Matters

KANSAS BOARD OF REGENTS STUDENT HEALTH INSURANCE BENEFIT AND PREMIUM RATES FOR PLAN YEAR 2017-2018
The student health insurance benefit and premium rates for plan year 2017-2018 were approved. The annual student only premium will be $1,464, which is a 5.17% ($75) increase from the prior plan year.
CONSIDERATION OF DISCUSSION AGENDA

ANNUAL FORESIGHT 2020 PROGRESS REPORT
Blake Flanders, President and CEO, presented the sixth annual Foresight 2020 progress report. The Board’s strategic plan consists of the following three goals: 1) Increase Higher Education Attainment Among Kansans, 2) Improve Alignment of the State’s Higher Education System with the Needs of the Economy, and 3) Ensure State University Excellence. Under Goal One, President Flanders reviewed the number of certificates and degrees awarded. The Kansas public higher education system has increased credential production by 15 percent (37,462 to 43,133) over the last six years. However, in order to reach the Board’s attainment goal – to increase to 60 percent the number of Kansas adults who have a certificate, associate degree or a bachelor’s degree – Kansas must increase the total number of undergraduate degrees and certificates awarded to at least 53,000 annually. To address the gap, calculations were made to determine the percentage of additional awards needed by each of the 32 public institutions. One important strategy to obtain the attainment goal is to attract adults with some college but no degree back to higher education. There are approximately 185,000 adults in Kansas who have obtained some college credit but are not currently enrolled. In academic year 2016, 4,835 returning adults, defined as those 25 years or older enrolling after at least a two-year absence, pursued an undergraduate credential in the Kansas public higher education system. Nearly 27 percent of these students had already earned between 60-119 credit hours upon enrollment, and another 12 percent had already earned at least 120 credit hours. The overall enrollment trend for these returning students has been on the rise.

President Flanders also reviewed graduation and retention rates. From 2010 to 2015, the state universities have seen gains in four-year graduation rates from 26.8 percent to 29 percent, while the rate for completion after six years has remained flat at 55 percent. During the same time period, community colleges maintained graduation rates, while the technical colleges and Washburn University saw slight decreases. The overall retention rate for the system has been steadily increasing. President Flanders reviewed the state’s demographic enrollment and the percentage of adult education participants in postsecondary education. There are approximately 171,000 Kansas adults (ages 18-64) who lack a high school credential and about 4 percent of this population is being served by adult education programs. The data shows there has been steady increases in the last three years of the students in adult education transitioning to a postsecondary institution.

BREAK
The Chair called for a break at 2:32 p.m. and resumed the meeting at 2:45 p.m.

Under Goal Two, President Flanders reviewed the data on employment and average wages of Kansas graduates. He noted the Board now has a data sharing agreement with the Missouri Department of Labor, which has helped with understanding how Kansas graduates are doing in border communities, most notably in the Kansas City metropolitan area. Approximately 60 percent of 2014 Kansas graduates who earned a bachelor’s degree were employed in Kansas or Missouri in 2015. The average earnings for these same graduates was $41,625. Dr. Flanders stated the data also shows that the average earnings generally increase with the level of education obtained. President Flanders spoke about the overall success of the state initiatives and noted the
Board will receive progress reports on Engineering and the University Research Grants at a later time.

Under Goal Three, President Flanders spoke about the performance of the state universities compared to their peers and the total research dollars awarded. The peer data for graduation and retention rates is the same as reported in 2016 because the Integrated Postsecondary Education Data System (IPEDS) has not been updated. The Board will receive the new data once IPEDS is updated. President Flanders reported funding for research at the universities remains strong despite a decrease in federal research funding. He also highlighted each of the universities’ Excellence Profile.

In order to meet the Board’s Foresight 2020 Goals, especially attainment, President Flanders stressed the importance of stable state support. He noted investing in higher education is one of the strongest tools to help grow the Kansas economy.

(Foresight 2020 Report filed with Official Minutes)

AMEND AGENDA
Regent Bangerter moved to amend the agenda to make the update on the Kansas Independent Colleges the next item on the agenda. Regent Feuerborn seconded, and the motion carried.

UPDATE ON THE KANSAS INDEPENDENT COLLEGES
Matt Lindsey, President of the Kansas Independent College Association, presented an update on the Kansas independent colleges. The independent colleges, except for Cleveland University-Kansas City, are exempted from the Kansas Private and Out-of-State Postsecondary Educational Institution Act, which the Board enforces. All the independent colleges offer undergraduate degrees, have open admissions, and are domiciled in Kansas. The institutions receive no state support but students are eligible for some state-based student aid funds. Mr. Lindsey reviewed enrollments, the number of degrees and certificates awarded, and completion rates for these institutions. He noted these awards are included in the Foresight 2020 attainment goals.

(PowerPoint filed with Official Minutes)

Fiscal Affairs and Audit

DISTRIBUTION OF STATE FUNDS FOR TECHNICAL EDUCATION (SB 155 AND AO-K PROVISO) AND POSTSECONDARY EDUCATION PERFORMANCE-BASED INCENTIVE FUND (GED ACCELERATOR)
Elaine Frisbie, Vice President of Finance and Administration, presented the proposed distribution of state funds for Technical Education (SB 155 and the Accelerating Opportunity-Kansas proviso) and the Postsecondary Education Performance-Based Incentives Fund (GED Accelerator). Regent Mullin moved to approve. Regent Thomas seconded, and the motion carried. The following distributions will be made:
### Institution | SB 155 | AOK Proviso Adult Tuition | GED Accelerator
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Allen Community College | $269,673 | -- | --
Barton Community College | $192,219 | $93,833 | $6,670
Butler Community College | $337,895 | -- | --
Cloud County Community College | $109,788 | -- | --
Coffeyville Community College | $444,335 | -- | --
Colby Community College | $63,641 | -- | --
Cowley Community College | $259,308 | -- | --
Dodge City Community College | $216,325 | $7,482 | $3,340
Flint Hills Technical College | $622,860 | -- | --
Fort Scott Community College | $539,564 | $9,946 | $15,020
Garden City Community College | $59,177 | $1,399 | $840
Highland Community College | $529,679 | $21,368 | --
Hutchinson Community College | $1,439,361 | $18,557 | $2,020
Independence Community College | $72,876 | -- | --
Johnson County Community College | $877,824 | $11,951 | $9,010
Kansas City Kansas Community College | $720,835 | -- | --
Labette Community College | $110,039 | -- | --
Manhattan Area Technical College | $147,318 | -- | --
Neosho County Community College | $473,447 | $11,286 | $8,020
North Central Kansas Technical College | $156,224 | -- | --
Northwest Kansas Technical College | $430,622 | -- | --
Pratt Community College | $124,525 | -- | --
Salina Area Technical College | $438,437 | $21,000 | $7,680
Seward County Community College/ATS | $481,747 | $10,143 | $3,350
Washburn Institute of Technology | $1,763,545 | $137,040 | $23,550
Wichita Area Technical College | $1,433,114 | $31,795 | $3,010
**Total** | **$12,314,378** | **$375,800** | **$82,510**

REPORT ON INVENTORY OF PHYSICAL FACILITIES AND SPACE UTILIZATION AND REPORT ON STATE UNIVERSITY DEFERRED AND ANNUAL MAINTENANCE

Nelda Henning, Director of Facilities, presented the report on Inventory of Physical Facilities and Space Utilization for Fall 2016. Director Henning reported on the number, age, and condition of the buildings on the state university campuses. She noted the spaces for classrooms and laboratories are being used efficiently.

Director Henning also presented the report on State University Deferred and Annual Maintenance for Fall 2016. Audits were conducted on the state university campuses, and the current estimate of the deferred maintenance backlog for “mission critical” buildings is approximately $908 million, which is an increase of $79 million from the Fall 2014 report. Director Henning stated
this increase is reasonable when considering that since the 2014 report, construction costs have increased and there continues to be insufficient funding for deferred maintenance.

(Reports filed with Official Minutes)

ENERGY CONSERVATION REVENUE BONDS – KSU
General Counsel Julene Miller introduced Kansas State University’s request to proceed with an energy performance contract with Energy Solutions Professionals that will provide for the installation of energy conservation measures on the Salina Polytechnic Campus at an estimated cost of $2,900,000. KSU is also requesting approval to issue bonds to finance the energy savings and the costs of debt issuance. General Counsel Miller noted that Energy Solutions Professionals will guarantee the amount of energy savings attributable to the implementation of the agreed measures. Regent Murfin expressed concerns with the fees associated with the contract. Following discussion, Regent Bain moved to approve and authorize the Chair and the President and CEO to execute the resolution and various other documents relating to the security and payment of such bonds. Regent Mullin seconded, and the motion carried. Regent Murfin voted no on the motion.

(Resolution filed with Official Minutes)

Governance

AMENDMENTS TO THE BOARD WEAPONS POSSESSION POLICY
General Counsel Miller presented amendments to the Board Weapons Possession policy. The two amendments would allow the universities to permit storage of lawful concealed carry handguns in additional secure places and allow possession of stun guns for self-defense purposes while prohibiting Taser-like weapons. These amendments will align the Board’s policy with the universities’ policies, which were approved last month. Regent Feuerborn moved to approve, and Regent Bangerter seconded. The motion carried. The following amendments were adopted:

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E. FACILITIES

14 WEAPONS POSSESSION

a Pursuant to the authority vested in the Board of Regents by Article 6, Section 2 of the Kansas Constitution, K.S.A. 76-712 and other state laws, and in accordance with K.S.A. 75-7c20 allowing concealed carry and K.S.A. 75-7c24 authorizing prohibition of open carry, concealed carry of handguns shall be permitted on each state university campus, while open carry of firearms and possession of weapons other than concealed handguns shall be prohibited on each state university campus.

b For purposes of this policy:

i The term “weapons” includes:
(1) Any object or device which will, is designed to, or may be readily converted to expel bullet, shot or shell by the action of an explosive or other propellant;

(2) any handgun, pistol, revolver, rifle, shotgun or other firearm of any nature, including those that are concealed or openly carried;

(3) any BB gun, pellet gun, air/C’O2 gun, stun gun or blow gun, or any device, such as a Taser, which is designed to discharge electric darts or other similar projectiles; however, personal self-defense stun guns that do not fit within the preceding definition shall not be deemed to be a weapon for the purposes of this policy;

(4) any explosive, incendiary or poison gas (A) bomb, (B) mine, (C) grenade, (D) rocket having a propellant charge of more than four ounces, or (E) missile having an explosive or incendiary charge of more than ¼ ounce;

(5) any incendiary or explosive material, liquid, solid or mixture equipped with a fuse, wick or other detonating device;

(6) any tear gas bomb or smoke bomb; however, personal self-defense items containing mace or pepper spray shall not be deemed to be a weapon for the purposes of this policy;

(7) any knife, commonly referred to as a switch-blade, which has a blade that opens automatically by hand pressure applied to a button, spring or other device in the handle of the knife, or any knife having a blade that opens or falls or is ejected into position by the force of gravity or by an outward, downward or centrifugal thrust or movement;

(8) any straight-blade knife of four inches or more such as a dagger, dirk, dangerous knife or stiletto; except that an ordinary pocket knife or culinary knife designed for and used solely in the preparation or service of food shall not be construed to be a weapon for the purposes of this policy;

(9) any martial arts weapon such as nunchucks or throwing stars;

(10) any longbow, crossbow and arrows or other projectile that could cause serious harm to any person; or

(11) any other dangerous or deadly weapon or instrument of like character.

ii The term “handgun” means:

(1) A pistol or revolver which is designed to be fired by the use of a single hand and which is designed to fire or capable of firing fixed cartridge ammunition; or

(2) any other weapon which will or is designed to expel a projectile by the action of an explosive and which is designed to be fired by the use of a single hand.

iii The term “firearm” includes any handgun, rifle, shotgun, and any other weapon which will or is designed to expel a projectile by the action of an explosive.
iv The term “adequate security measures” shall have the same meaning as the term is defined in K.S.A. 75-7c20, and “building” shall have the same meaning as the term “state building” is defined in K.S.A. 75-7c20.

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v The term “campus” means any building or grounds owned by a state university or the Board and any building or grounds leased by a state university or the Board for state university use.

Nothing in this policy shall be read to prohibit possession of weapons on campus (1) as necessary for the conduct of Board approved academic programs or university approved activities or practices, or (2) by university police or security officers while acting within the scope of their employment. Each university shall develop and follow policies and procedures for the safe possession, use and storage of such weapons and shall notify the Board in writing of any activities or practices involving weapons that are approved by the university under subparagraph c(1).

d Beginning July 1, 2017, any individual who is 21 years of age or older and who is lawfully eligible to carry a concealed handgun in Kansas shall not be precluded from doing so on state university campuses except in buildings and areas of buildings for which adequate security measures are provided, and except as otherwise prohibited by law.

i Each individual who lawfully possesses a handgun on any state university campus shall be wholly and solely responsible for carrying, storing and using that handgun in a safe manner and in accordance with the law, Board policy and university policy. Nothing in this policy shall be interpreted to require individuals who lawfully possess a handgun to use it in defense of others.

ii Each university shall develop and follow policies and procedures for the safe possession and storage of lawfully possessed handguns, and shall submit such policies and procedures to the Board office for review and approval by the Board Governance Committee prior to publication or implementation. Each university’s policies and procedures shall include detailed provisions regarding how and where to report suspected violations of this policy, how faculty, staff and students shall be notified of the laws and policies pertaining to concealed carry on campus, and shall also provide interested students, faculty and staff with information about any known locally or regionally available firearm safety instruction.

e Open carry of any firearm anywhere on any campus shall be prohibited. Each entrance to each building and facility on each campus shall be conspicuously posted with appropriate signs indicating that openly carrying a firearm into that building or facility is prohibited. Additional signs may be posted as appropriate.

f Except in those instances where necessary for self-defense or transferring to safe storage and except as otherwise provided in subparagraphs c(1) and c(2), it shall be a violation of Board policy to openly display any lawfully possessed concealed carry handgun while on campus.

g Regardless whether the individual is otherwise lawfully eligible to carry a concealed handgun, it shall be a violation of Board policy to commit any of the following offenses on a university campus:
i Possess a firearm under the influence of alcohol or drugs, as defined by K.S.A. 21-6332, and amendments thereto;

ii discharge a firearm in violation of K.S.A. 21-6308, and amendments thereto;

iii discharge a firearm within or into the corporate limits of any city in violation of K.S.A. 21-6308a; or

iv otherwise possess, store, transport, trade, sell, or in any other way use a firearm in violation of any applicable law.

h Beginning July 1, 2017, each individual who lawfully possesses a concealed handgun on campus shall at all times have that handgun in their custody and control, and shall either keep it on their person with safety mechanism, if any, engaged, or stored 1) in any secure storage location provided by or authorized by the university specifically for that purpose, 2) at their residence, or 3) in their vehicle. If stored in a location provided or authorized by the university specifically for that purpose, the handgun must be secured, concealed from view, and in a location that can be accessed only by the individual and the university. If stored in a vehicle on campus, the handgun must be secured and concealed from view. For any dormitory or scholarship hall that does not have adequate security measures, each resident who lawfully possesses a handgun on campus and elects to store the handgun they possess in the room to which they are assigned when not carrying it on their person in a concealed fashion shall secure the handgun in a secure storage device that conceals the gun from view. Such storage devices shall be provided by the individual who possesses the handgun and must meet minimum industry standards for safe-keeping of handguns.

i Beginning July 1, 2017, each state university shall determine whether and to what extent otherwise lawfully possessed concealed handguns will be prohibited in any campus buildings or areas of buildings by provision of adequate security measures, permanent or temporary, at each public entrance to the building or area. Each entrance to each building where concealed carry is prohibited as provided in this paragraph shall be conspicuously posted with appropriate signs indicating that carrying a concealed handgun into that building is prohibited. Additional signs may be posted as appropriate. Each state university that prohibits concealed carry pursuant to this paragraph shall submit to the Board office for review and approval by the Board Governance Committee a list of the buildings and areas of buildings so restricted, the rationale therefor, and a description of the adequate security measures to be provided.

i The list shall be provided at the time such buildings and areas are first identified as requiring adequate security and, as buildings or areas of buildings are added to the list, at the time so amended. Once the Governance Committee has approved a building or area for provision of adequate security measures, re-approval of that building or area is not required.

ii Because safety and security considerations may warrant a university implementing adequate security measures on an as-needed, temporary basis that are intended to address a specific concern, each university shall include in its annual security report to the Board information regarding all instances in which adequate security measures were implemented on an as needed, temporary basis during the previous year and the reasons therefor.
j Any individual who violates one or more provisions of this policy may be issued a lawful directive to leave campus with the weapon immediately. Any individual who violates the directive shall be considered to be in trespass and may be cited accordingly. Any employee or student of the university who violates one or more provisions of this policy shall be subject to discipline in accordance with applicable university codes of conduct. Any individual who violates state or federal law may be detained, arrested or otherwise subjected to lawful processes appropriate to the circumstances.

k Notice of this policy shall be given in each state university’s weapons policy and housing contracts. To the extent adequate security measures are used to prohibit concealed carry into stadiums, arenas and other large venues that require tickets for admission, the tickets shall state that concealed carry will be prohibited at that event.

Other Matters

UPDATE ON ENGINEERING INITIATIVE
Scott Smathers, Vice President for Workforce Development, 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 (beginning in FY 2011) to each of the three universities. The Act also requires the universities to match the funding 1:1 from 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 2015-2016: Kansas State University – 494, University of Kansas – 499, and Wichita State University – 292. Vice President Smathers discussed enrollment and enrollment strategies for each of the universities. While both enrollments and graduates have increased since the initiatives inception, 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 8,220 students enrolled, requiring additional enrollment of 1,038.

(PowerPoint filed with Official Minutes)

GRANTING OF HONORARY DEGREE AT THE UNIVERSITY’S SPRING 2017 COMMENCEMENT – KU
Chancellor Gray-Little nominated Mr. William McNulty to receive an honorary doctorate from the University of Kansas at its Spring 2017 commencement. Regent Thomas moved to approve, and Regent Bangerter seconded. The motion carried.

GRANTING OF HONORARY DEGREE AT THE UNIVERSITY’S SPRING 2017 COMMENCEMENT – KSU
President Myers nominated Dr. Geraldine Richmond to receive an honorary doctorate from Kansas State University at its Spring 2017 commencement. Regent Murguia moved to approve, and Regent Mullin seconded. The motion carried.

NAMING OF BUILDING – ESU
Jennifer Denton, Associate Vice President for Advancement at Emporia State University, requested approval to name the new University House after George Breidenthal. Regent Murguia
moved to approve, and Regent Bangerter seconded. The motion carried. The house will be named the Breidenthal University House.

WICHITA AREA TECHNICAL COLLEGE AND WICHITA STATE UNIVERSITY AFFILIATION LEGISLATIVE PROPOSAL
Matt Casey, Director of Government Relations, presented the proposed legislation that would authorize Wichita Area Technical College and Wichita State University to affiliate and create a Campus of Applied Science and Technology. Regent Murguia moved to approve. Following a second by Regent Murfin, the motion carried.

J VISA LEGISLATION
Director Casey introduced proposed legislation that will address the J Visa insurance coverage issue. Federal law requires employees who hold J-1 Visas to have health insurance coverage that meets certain minimum requirements. One requirement is that the deductible of the visa-holders’ health insurance must not exceed $500. The State of Kansas deductible for Plan A was increased to $1,000 for this year, which means the state health insurance plan will no longer meet the federal law requirements for these individuals. Director Casey noted there are 216 benefits-eligible visiting scholars employed at Wichita State University, Kansas State University, and the University of Kansas. The proposed legislation will authorize the Board to independently provide health care benefits, through self-insurance or the purchase of insurance contracts, for only those employees for whom the state health care benefits program does not meet federal requirements. Regent Murguia moved to approve. Regent Murfin seconded, and the motion carried.

LEGISLATIVE UPDATE
Director Casey reported January 9, 2017 was the start of the 2017 Legislative Session and that the Governor gave his State of the State address on January 10. He noted higher education day at the Statehouse is scheduled for Thursday and that all 32 public institutions are participating.

ADJOURNMENT
The Chair adjourned the meeting at 4:06 p.m.