MINUTES OF THE SPECIAL MEETING OF THE BOARD OF REGENTS FOR THE OKLAHOMA AGRICULTURAL AND MECHANICAL COLLEGES JANUARY 20, 2012

NOTICE OF THIS MEETING WAS FILED WITH THE SECRETARY OF STATE ON JANUARY 12, 2012.

The Board of Regents for the Oklahoma Agricultural and Mechanical Colleges met in the President Suite, Conference Center Third Floor, Oklahoma State University-Oklahoma City, 900 North Portland, Oklahoma City, Oklahoma, on January 20, 2012.

Those present: Mr. Jay L. Helm, Chairman; Mr. Andrew W. Lester, Vice Chairman; Mr. Calvin J. Anthony; Mr. Douglas E. Burns; Mr. Rick Davis; Mr. Joe D. Hall; Mr. Tucker Link; Mr. Jim Reese; and Mrs. Lou Watkins.

Absent: None

Others present: Dr. W. Douglas Wilson, Executive Secretary; Mr. Charles E. Drake, General Counsel; Mr. Robert White, Health and Higher Education Policy Analyst; Mr. Jason Ramsey, Director, State Government Relations; Mr. Cecil F. Strande, Director of Internal Audits; Ms. Linda Novak, Administrative Associate; Ms. Cherilyn Williams, Administrative Associate; and Ms. Shari Brecht, Administrative Associate.

After the Executive Secretary announced a quorum was present and affirmed that all documents had been filed, the meeting was called to order at approximately 12:55 p.m.

Approval of Agenda

Regent Anthony moved and Regent Lester seconded to approve the Agenda as posted (ATTACHMENT A).

Those voting aye: Board Members Anthony, Burns, Davis, Hall, Helm, Lester, Link, Reese, and Watkins. No: None. Abstentions: None. Absent: None. The motion carried.

Executive Session

At approximately 12:56 p.m., Regent Burns moved that the Board convene into Executive Session for the purpose as published in the agenda. Regent Watkins seconded the motion.

Those voting aye: Board Members Burns, Davis, Hall, Helm, Lester, Link, Reese, Watkins, and Anthony. No: None. Abstentions: None. Absent: None. The motion was approved.

Open Session

At approximately 2:15 p.m., Regent Burns moved that the Board come out of Executive Session and back into Regular Session. Regent Anthony seconded the motion.

Those voting aye: Board Members Davis, Hall, Helm, Lester, Link, Reese, Watkins, Anthony, and Burns. No: None. Abstentions: None. Absent: None. The motion passed.

Board Chairman Helm called upon Joe Hall, Chairman of the Executive Secretary Search Committee.

Appointment of Executive Secretary

Regent Hall moved to appoint Jason Ramsey as Executive Secretary, Board of Regents for the Oklahoma Agricultural and Mechanical Colleges, effective March 1, 2012, at a salary of \$160,000, with an expense allowance of \$20,000, an auto allowance of \$20,000, a deferred compensation of \$20,000, and with usual and customary benefits accorded to employees of Oklahoma State University. Regent Lester seconded the motion.

Those voting aye: Board Members Hall, Helm, Lester, Link, Reese, Watkins, Anthony, Burns, and Davis. No: None. Abstentions: None. Absent: None. The motion was carried.

Change in Title

Regent Hall moved to change the title of Mr. Ramsey, effective March 1, 2012, to Chief Executive Officer of the Board of Regents for the Oklahoma Agricultural and Mechanical Colleges and that any reference to the position of Executive Secretary or Secretary in the Board of Regents Policy Manual & Rules be hereby updated to reflect the title change. Regent Lester seconded the motion.

Those voting aye: Board Members Hall, Helm, Lester, Link, Reese, Watkins, Anthony, Burns, and Davis. No: None. Abstentions: None. Absent: None. The motion passed.

Jason Ramsey and his wife Natalie were recognized and congratulated at this time.

Mr. Ramsey expressed appreciation to the Board and said he is truly humbled by the Board's confidence in him. He stated that it is an honor to have this opportunity. He committed that no

one will work harder than he to make sure that he never lets the Board down and that there continues to be outstanding service provided from a staff level to the Board and to the institutions it governs. Mr. Ramsey expressed thanks to his wife Natalie and said he would not be where he is without her. He said she has been his partner in everything and has given him encouragement and support through this process. Mr. Ramsey said he wished to thank Doug Wilson, who has really set the bar pretty high and is leaving some extremely big shoes to fill. He said he has learned a great deal from him over the last nine years and looks forwards to learning a lot more from him in the next month. He said he is so pleased that Dr. Wilson will be available to assist him during this transition. Mr. Ramsey also expressed thanks to the rest of the Board staff. He said there is an outstanding staff that serves the Board. It is a veteran group, and he is sure he will be leaning on them a lot in the coming years to make sure the Board's business is conducted in the highest fashion. Mr. Ramsey expressed appreciation to all of the Board members for their support. He said it is such an outstanding group, and he is privileged to be a part of it.

Change in Status for Doug Wilson

Regent Hall moved to appoint Doug Wilson as Consultant to the Board of Regents for the Oklahoma Agricultural and Mechanical Colleges at his current level of compensation, effective March 1, 2012, and ending July 2, 2012, during which time he will exhaust all accumulated annual leave. Regent Lester seconded the motion.

Those voting aye: Board Members Hall, Helm, Lester, Link, Reese, Watkins, Anthony, Burns, and Davis. No: None. Abstentions: None. Absent: None. The motion was carried.

<u>Adjournment</u>

At approximately 2:20 p.m., Regent Burns moved and Regent Anthony seconded that the meeting be adjourned.

Those voting aye: Board Members Helm, Lester, Link, Reese, Watkins, Anthony, Burns, Davis, and Hall. No: None. Abstentions: None. Absent: None. The motion was approved.

AGENDA

SPECIAL MEETING OF THE BOARD OF REGENTS FOR THE OKLAHOMA AGRICULTURAL AND MECHANICAL COLLEGES

January 20, 2012 - 12:00 p.m.

President Suite
Conference Center Third Floor
Oklahoma State University-Oklahoma City
900 North Portland
Oklahoma City, Oklahoma

Notice of this meeting was filed with the Secretary of State on January 12, 2012.

Business to be discussed:

- (1) Approval of Agenda.
- (2) Executive Session, if so approved by the required number of Board members present, for the purpose of discussing the employment of the Executive Secretary, OSU/A&M Board of Regents, and a possible successor to that position (including interviewing and evaluating candidates), and a possible change in the title for that position. (Oklahoma Open Meeting Act, §307B.1.)
- (3) Consider or take any action with reference to the matters contained in the immediately preceding item.

BOARD OF REGENTS FOR THE OKLAHOMA AGRICULTURAL AND MEHSANICAL COLLEGES

By:

lay L. Helm, Chairman

ATTEST:

W. Douglas Wilson, Executive Secretary

Certified correct minutes subject to approval of the Board of Regents for the Oklahoma Agricultural and Mechanical Colleges on February 24, 2012.

Shari Brecht, Administrative Associate