

Lincoln, Nebraska
December 19, 2019

The Board of Regents of the University of Nebraska met on December 19, 2019, at 12:04 p.m. in the board room at Varner Hall, 3835 Holdrege Street, Lincoln, Nebraska, in a publicly convened session, the same being open to the public and having been preceded by advance publicized notice, a copy of which is attached to the minutes of this meeting as Attachment 1 (page 190).

In compliance with the provisions of *Neb. Rev. Stat.* § 84-1411, printed notice of this meeting was sent to each member of the Board and was posted in the first floor lobby of Varner Hall. In addition, copies of such notice were sent to the Lincoln Journal Star, Omaha World Herald, the Daily Nebraskan, the Gateway, the Antelope, the Kearney Hub, and the Lincoln office of the Associated Press on December 11, 2019.

Regents present:

Timothy Clare, Chairman
Howard Hawks
Paul Kenney
Elizabeth O'Connor
Bob Phares
Jim Pillen, Vice Chairman
Robert Schafer
Barbara Weitz
Nicole Kent, University of Nebraska at Kearney
Emily Johnson, University of Nebraska-Lincoln
Keith Ozanne, University of Nebraska Medical Center
Aya Yousuf, University of Nebraska at Omaha

University officials present:

Susan M. Fritz, Interim President
David S. Jackson, Interim Executive Vice President and Provost
Carmen K. Maurer, Corporation Secretary
Jeffrey P. Gold, Chancellor, University of Nebraska Medical Center and
University of Nebraska at Omaha
Christopher J. Kabourek, Vice President for Business and Finance | CFO
Heath M. Mello, Interim Associate Vice President for University Affairs and Director of
State Relations-elect
James P. Pottorff, Vice President and General Counsel

University officials not present:

Ronnie D. Green, Chancellor, University of Nebraska-Lincoln
Douglas A. Kristensen, Chancellor, University of Nebraska at Kearney
Michael J. Boehm, Vice President for Agriculture and Natural Resources

I. CALL TO ORDER

II. ROLL CALL

The Board convened at 12:04 p.m. in the boardroom of Varner Hall, 3835 Holdrege Street, Lincoln, Nebraska. Attendance is indicated above.

III. APPROVAL OF MINUTES AND RATIFICATION OF ACTIONS

Motion Moved by Kenney and seconded by Pillen to approve the minutes and ratify the actions of the regularly scheduled meeting on December 5, 2019.

Action Student Opinion: Voting Aye: Kent, Ozanne, Yousuf, and Johnson. Voting Aye: Hawks, Kenney, O'Connor, Phares, Pillen, Schafer, Weitz, and Clare. Motion carried.

Chairman Clare announced the location of the Open Meetings Act in the board room.

IV. RESOLUTIONS

None

V. HEARINGS

None

VI. PUBLIC COMMENT

None

Motion Moved by Weitz and seconded by Ozanne that the Board go into closed session as authorized by Neb. Rev. Stat. § 84-1410 for the protection of the public interest, and to prevent needless injury to the reputation of persons who have not requested a public hearing, for the purpose of holding a discussion limited to the following subject:

- Personal and job matters of persons who have not requested a public hearing.

Action Student Opinion: Voting Aye: Ozanne, Yousef, Johnson, and Kent. Voting Aye: Kenney, O'Connor, Phares, Pillen, Schafer, Weitz, Clare, and Hawks. Motion carried.

The Board went into closed session at 12:15 p.m. The Board reconvened the open meeting at 12:23 p.m.

VII. UNIVERSITY ADMINISTRATIVE AGENDA

A. ACADEMIC AFFAIRS

University of Nebraska

Motion Moved by Clare and seconded by Phares to approve item VII-A-1, as follows:

VII-A-1 Approve a revised Contract of Employment for Walter E. Carter, Jr. as President of the University of Nebraska for an Initial Term commencing on January 1, 2020, and ending December 31, 2024, as well as service as President-elect for purposes of transition coordination and planning for the period of time commencing December 16, 2019, through December 31, 2019

Action Student Opinion: Voting Aye: Yousuf, Johnson, Kent, and Ozanne. Voting Aye: O'Connor, Phares, Pillen, Schafer, Weitz, Clare, Hawks, and Kenney. Motion carried.

Motion Moved by Clare and seconded by Phares to approve item VII-A-2

VII-A-2 Approve creation of a Presidential Transition Committee

Regent Clare moved that President-elect Carter, in consultation with the Board of Regents, select a transition committee, noting that the committee should be agile, and therefore not too big. No more than ten to fifteen persons should comprise the committee to represent constituencies such as Regents, students, faculty, staff, alumni, supporters, and the business and agriculture communities. Other constituencies may be identified as valuable to this process, as well. President-elect Carter indicated that he would hope this committee might support his goal to write a five-year strategy within the first 100 days of taking office.

Regent Phares seconded the motion, and both Regents accepted a friendly amendment offered by Regent Hawks clarifying that no additional Board action is necessary with respect to the authorization or creation of the transition committee.

Further discussion ensued.

Action Student Opinion: Voting Aye: Johnson, Kent, Ozanne, and Yousuf. Voting Aye: Phares, Pillen, Schafer, Weitz, Clare, Hawks, Kenney, and O'Connor. Motion carried.

VIII. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned by Chairman Clare at 12:28 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Carmen K. Maurer
Corporation Secretary

Timothy F. Clare
Chairman of the Board

ATTACHMENT 1



NOTICE OF MEETING

Notice is hereby given that the Board of Regents of the University of Nebraska will meet in a publicly convened session on Thursday, December 19, 2019, at 12:00 p.m. in the board room of Varner Hall, 3835 Holdrege Street, Lincoln, Nebraska.

When so posted, the full agenda for the meeting will be available for inspection in the office of the Corporation Secretary of the Board of Regents, Varner Hall, 3835 Holdrege Street, Lincoln, Nebraska, or at <https://nebraska.edu/regents/agendas-minutes>

A copy of this notice will be delivered to the Lincoln Journal Star, the Omaha World-Herald, the Daily Nebraskan, the Gateway, the Antelope, the Kearney Hub, the Lincoln office of the Associated Press, members of the Board of Regents, and the President's Council of the University of Nebraska.

Dated: December 11, 2019

Carmen K. Maurer
Corporation Secretary
Board of Regents
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