Board Members December 11, 2006
Amir Arbisser Via phone
Mary Ellen Becker Present
Tom Bedell Via phone
Jenny Connolly Via phone
Robert Downer Present
Michael Gartner Present
Ruth Harkin Via phone
Rose Vasquez Via phone
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Staff Members
Andrea Anania, Susan Anderson, Andy Baumert, Brad Berg, Mark Braun, Marcia Brunson, Sheila Doyle, Pam Elliott Cain, Tom Evans, Diana Gonzalez, Joe Murphy, Joan Racki, Keith Saunders

Regent Institutions
SUI Gary Fethke, David Asprey, Gary Barta, Stacey Cyphert, Meredith Hay, Michael Hogan, Tanya Uden Holman, Gary Hunninghake, Susan Johnson, Tom Rocklin, Chet Rzonca, Doug True
ISU Gregory Geoffroy, John Brighton, Warren Madden
UNI Benjamin Allen, James Lubker, Morris Mikkelsen, Randy Pilkington, Tom Schellhardt
ISD Jeanne Prickett
IBSSS Jeananne Schild

Others
Carol Bradley, Education Consultant to the Board of Regents

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President Gartner called the meeting to order at 9:02 a.m. on December 11, 2006.

AUDIT/COMPLIANCE AND INVESTMENT COMMITTEE
December 11, 2006, Minutes

Committee Members
Teresa Wahler, Chair  Mary Ellen Becker  Robert Downer  Ruth Harkin

Investment and Cash Management Report for the Quarter Ended September 30, 2006
Pam Elliott Cain provided highlights on the Investment and Cash Management Report. Regent Downer expressed concern that Post Advisory significantly underperformed its benchmark and showed a serious lack of performance. Ms. Elliott Cain stated that Post Advisory has been a fund manager for just over two quarters.

Ms. Elliott Cain reported that the Board Office is in the process of reviewing the responses to the Request for Proposal for the Board’s investment advisor and anticipated that the selection will be presented at its next meeting.

➢ The Committee received the report by GENERAL CONSENT.

Proposed Committee Work Plan
➢ The Committee received the work plan by GENERAL CONSENT.

Chair Report to the Full Board
➢ Chair Wahlert reported on actions of the Audit/Compliance and Investment Committee during its December 11, 2006, meeting and the full Board received the report and the work plan by GENERAL CONSENT.

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE
December 11, 2006, Minutes

Committee Members
Ruth Harkin, Chair  Tom Bedell  Robert Downer  Rose Vasquez  Teresa Wahler

Grow Iowa Values Fund (GIVF) Project Update
Drs. Hay and Brighton and Mr. Pilkington reviewed recent progress on the FY 2006 and FY 2007 GIVF projects.

➢ The Committee received the update by GENERAL CONSENT.

Bioeconomy Initiatives Update
President Geoffroy informed the Committee that ISU made a presentation to the BP company in London as part of a partnership effort with the University of California, San Diego, to win the contract for the company’s Energy Biosciences Institute. President Geoffroy also reported on a recent meeting with Senator Tom Harkin regarding current and future biorenewables research. President Gartner stated that the recent bioeconomy summit hosted by ISU was very successful.

➢ The Committee received the update by GENERAL CONSENT.
2006-07 Economic Development Committee Work Plan
Chair Harkin asked that Committee members review the work plan and bring any ideas for additions to the next Committee meeting. Regent Bedell asked that an agenda item regarding the possible connection between the Regents economic development work and the concept of a seamless education system be added to the Committee’s next agenda.

- The Committee received the work plan by GENERAL CONSENT.

Chair Report to the Full Board
Chair Harkin reported on actions of the Economic Development Committee during its December 11, 2006, meeting.

- The full Board received the following by GENERAL CONSENT:
  - Grow Iowa Values Fund Project Update;
  - Bioeconomy Initiatives Update; and
  - 2006-07 Economic Development Committee Work Plan.

EDUCATION AND STUDENT AFFAIRS COMMITTEE
December 11, 2006, Minutes

Committee Members
Mary Ellen Becker, Chair        Tom Bedell         Jenny Connolly    Ruth Harkin

Professional Development Assignment Requests for FY 2008
President Gartner asked why some names had an asterisk and whether that designated a different compensation level. Diana Gonzalez responded that the asterisk refers to faculty members at the University of Iowa who are participating in a Faculty Scholars Program; these faculty members are eligible to be compensated for research-related expenses during their assignment. Regent Arbisser asked how the Regent Professional Development Assignments Program compares to those of other institutions. Associate Provost Susan Johnson replied that they are comparable.

- By GENERAL CONSENT, the Committee recommended approval by the Board of the professional development assignment requests for FY 2008.

Admissions Study Team Final Report
Diana Gonzalez provided highlights from the final report, including the team’s recommendations for: (1) a Regent Admission Index of 250 for automatic admission to the Regent universities; (2) the same Regent Admission Index (250) for automatic admission at the three Regent universities; (3) proposed changes to Board Policy Manual §6.01; (4) proposed amendments to the Iowa Administrative Code; and (5) submission of the report to the Senate and House of Representatives standing committees on education by January 8, 2007, in fulfillment of the requirements of HF 2395.

After considerable discussion about the proposed Regent Admission Index of 250 for automatic admission, the Committee recommended a Regent Admission Index of 245 applicable to automatic admission at the three Regent universities. The Committee further recommended that the new process be evaluated one year after implementation and every two years after that. The Committee thanked the Admissions Study Team and commended the Team for a comprehensive study and for an extraordinary outcome.

- By GENERAL CONSENT, the Committee recommended approval by the Board of: (1) the Admissions Study Team’s final report with a Regent Admission Index of 245 applicable to automatic admission at the three Regent universities, and evaluation of the process one year after implementation and every two years after that; (2) changes to Board Policy Manual §6.01; (3) amendments to the Iowa Administrative Code; and (4) submission of the report to the Senate and House of Representatives standing committees on education by January 8, 2007.
IBSSS Monthly Report  
The Committee received the IBSSS monthly report from Interim Superintendent Jeananne Schild. Interim Superintendent Schild reported that the School has been actively engaged in addressing the three goals for 2006-07.

➢ The Committee received the IBSSS Monthly Report by GENERAL CONSENT.

2005-06 Distance Education Report  
Diana Gonzalez provided highlights on the 2005-06 Distance Education Report. The report addressed the goals and initiatives identified in the Distance Education Strategic Plan approved by the Board in 2005. The Committee asked Chet Rzonca, Dean of Continuing Education at SUI, and Carol Bradley, Education Consultant to the Board, to work together and prepare periodic reports that identify the barriers and opportunities for significant changes and build a bigger model in distance education.

➢ The Committee received the presentation by GENERAL CONSENT.

Proposed New Institute at the University of Iowa - Institute for Clinical and Translational Science  
Senior Associate Dean for Clinical and Translational Science Gary Hunninghake provided highlights of the proposed Institute. He said that translational science refers to either the process of bringing bench research to patients or the process of bringing the results of clinical studies to patients.

➢ By GENERAL CONSENT, the Committee recommended approval by the Board of SUI’s request to establish an Institute for Clinical and Translational Science.

Education and Student Affairs Committee Work Plan Evaluation of Progress

➢ By GENERAL CONSENT, the Committee received the work plan.

Accreditation Reports at the University of Iowa

MASTER OF HEALTH ADMINISTRATION PROGRAM  
Provost Hogan and Associate Dean for Education and Student Affairs Tanya Uden Holman reported that, after a self-study and on-site visit by peer evaluators, the Master of Health Administration Program received accreditation for a period of six years in April 2006. Six out of 45 criteria were only partially met. The first progress report to the accrediting agency is due by February 1, 2007.

➢ By GENERAL CONSENT, the Committee received the Master of Health Administration Program accreditation report.

PHYSICIAN ASSISTANT PROGRAM  
Provost Hogan and Program Director David Asprey reported that, after a self-study and on-site visit by peer evaluators, the Physician Assistant Program received accreditation for a period of seven years in March 2006. The program is required to submit a report to the accrediting agency by July 2006 and indicate how the citations in the report have been addressed and how the program plans to assure future compliance.

➢ By GENERAL CONSENT, the Committee received the Physician Assistant Program accreditation report.
Chair Report to the Full Board
Chair Becker reported on actions of the Education and Student Affairs Committee during its December 11, 2006, meeting and the full Board took the following actions:

➢ MOVED by BECKER, SECONDED by HARKIN, to:
  • Approve the Admissions Study Team’s Final Report with a Regent Admission Index of 245 applicable to automatic admission at the three Regent universities, and evaluation of the process one year after implementation and every two years after that;
  • Direct the Board Office to submit the Admissions Study Team final report to the Senate and House of Representatives standing committees on education by January 8, 2007;
  • Approve the proposed changes to Board Policy Manual §6.01; and
  • Direct the Board Office to file the Notice of Intended Action to amend Section 681 of the Iowa Administrative Code.

MOTION APPROVED UNANIMOUSLY.

➢ MOVED by BECKER, SECONDED BY ARBISSE, to approve the:
  • Professional Development Assignment Requests for FY 2008; and
  • Proposed New Institute at the University of Iowa – Institute for Clinical and Translational Science.

MOTION APPROVED UNANIMOUSLY.

➢ MOVED by BECKER, SECONDED by HARKIN, to receive the:
  • IBSSS Monthly Report;
  • 2005-06 Distance Education Report;
  • Master of Health Administration Program Accreditation Report;
  • Physician Assistant Program Accreditation Report; and
  • Committee Work Plan Evaluation of Progress.

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MOTION APPROVED by ROLL CALL.

➢ President Gartner advised the Board that a position statement was received from the ISU Faculty Senate supporting the proposed Admissions Study Team’s final report.
PROPERTY AND FACILITIES COMMITTEE
December 11, 2006, Minutes

Committee Members
Amir Arbisser, Chair  Mary Ellen Becker  Robert Downer  Rose Vasquez

Institutional Agreements, Leases and Easements
Joan Racki indicated that the agenda item included temporary construction easements for the University of Northern Iowa.

➢ By GENERAL CONSENT, the Committee recommended Board approval of the Institutional Agreements, Leases and Easements.

University of Iowa Department of Athletics Revised Facilities Master Plan
Vice President True provided an overview of the revised Department of Athletics Master Plan, explaining that it had been updated since its presentation to the Board in May 2006 based on a review by the University’s new athletic director, Gary Barta. Vice President True explained that the revised Master Plan reflects the Department of Athletics’ financial commitment to the Campus Recreation and Wellness Center project and considers replacement of the football practice facility.

Athletic Director Barta explained the need to replace the football practice facility at a future date due to its age, as well as the need for additional indoor practice space for football and other sports (baseball, softball, golf, etc.)

Athletic Director Barta reported that the top need for the Carver-Hawkeye Arena is additional court space to accommodate practice sessions for men’s and women’s basketball, volleyball, and wrestling; the numerous practices are very difficult to manage with the existing single court. He explained that the Carver-Hawkeye Arena – Addition and Renovation project, for which the University was requesting permission to proceed with project planning, would construct an addition that would house several courts, and expand the strength and conditioning area to better accommodate all sports. The project would also include spectator improvements (particularly for improved access from the floor to the concourse level), office renovations, and the possible installation of air conditioning. The estimated project cost of $25 to $40 million would be further refined during project planning.

Athletic Director Barta also addressed the Richard O. Jacobson Building – Addition and Renovation project, for which permission to proceed was also requested. The project would construct an addition to the facility for the football training program and renovate the basement locker room space that was freed up with the relocation of tennis, field hockey and soccer programs to the West Campus Tennis-Recreation Center.

In response to a question from President Gartner, Athletic Director Barta confirmed that the Arena and Jacobsen Building projects would be financed internally, with additional information to be presented to the Board at a future date.

Vice President True also noted that the selected site for Rowing Team Boat House project had been approved by the City of Iowa City. He expressed the University’s thanks and enthusiasm to partner with the City on this project. President Gartner also added the Board’s thanks to the City.

➢ By GENERAL CONSENT, the Committee recommended that the Board receive the Revised Facilities Master Plan and approve permission to proceed with project planning for the two projects identified in the agenda item.
Register of University of Iowa Capital Improvement Business Transactions
Vice President True highlighted the two projects on the University of Iowa Capital Register: the Burlington Street Tunnel Restoration (revised budget) and the Slater Hall – Fire and Life Safety Improvements (project budget). Vice President True reported that the Slater Hall project would be the final project in the University’s efforts to bring a very high level of fire and life safety, beyond what is required by law, to all of its residence halls.

- By GENERAL CONSENT, the Committee recommended Board approval of the University of Iowa Capital Register.

University of Iowa Proposed Property Purchases
Vice President True indicated that the purchase of property at 807 Melrose Avenue is consistent with the University’s goal to acquire property in this area of Melrose Avenue (south of Kinnick Stadium). He noted that the purchase of property at the northwest corner of Madison and Prentiss Streets, located on the south campus adjacent to the CAMBUS garage, would address the need for expansion space for the CAMBUS operations.

- By GENERAL CONSENT, the Committee recommended Board approval of the University of Iowa Property Purchases.

Register of University of Northern Iowa Capital Improvement Business Transactions
Vice President Schellhardt provided background information on the Parking Deck and Transit Facility project. He explained that the University had rejected the project scope of the former Multimodal Facility project. The new project was based on input from the University community, including a University task force of faculty, staff and students, which reviewed unmet campus parking needs and alternate sites for a parking facility.

Associate Vice President Mikkelsen added that the initial project concept was quite large (with a capacity for over 600 vehicles), and its size and location (north of the Gallagher-Bluedorn Performing Arts Center) were not appropriate for the University. He reported that the University’s review of its campus master plan indicated that the northeast portion of campus has the greatest need for parking. He explained that the project would construct a parking deck over the existing Commons parking lot. He noted that response to the project concept has been very positive from throughout the University, including from the student government.

Associate Vice President Mikkelsen reported that 80 percent of the project cost would be funded by the Federal Transportation Administration (FTA), and 20 percent would be funded by the University; a good portion of the University’s funding would be provided by the value of the land on which the facility would be constructed. Associate Vice President Mikkelsen explained that the use of the land as a match was discussed with the Attorney General’s Office, which indicated no legal concerns with the proposed approach.

- By GENERAL CONSENT, the Committee recommended Board approval of the University of Northern Iowa Capital Register.
Chair Report to the Full Board
Chair Arbisser reported on actions of the Property and Facilities Committee during its December 11, 2006, meeting and the full Board took the following actions:

- MOVED by ARBISSER, SECONDED by BECKER, to approve the project description and budget ($3,225,500) for the Slater Hall – Fire and Life Safety Improvements project, and the revised budget ($2,760,000) for the Burlington Street Tunnel Restoration project.

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MOTION APPROVED by ROLL CALL.

- MOVED by ARBISSER, SECONDED by DOWNER, to:
  - Approve the agreements, leases and easements;
  - Receive the University of Iowa Department of Athletics Revised Facilities Master Plan, and authorize permission to proceed with project planning, including the architectural/ engineering selection process for the Carver-Hawkeye Arena – Addition and Renovation and Richard O. Jacobson Building – Addition and Renovation projects, major capital projects as defined by Board policy, which are included in the Revised Facilities Master Plan;
  - Approve the purchase of property at 807 Melrose Avenue in Iowa City, Iowa, at the price of $210,000 from the University of Iowa Facilities Corporation, and the purchase of a vacant parcel of land (approximately 7,500 square feet) at the Northwest Corner of Madison and Prentiss Streets in Iowa City, Iowa, at the price of $75,000 from MidAmerican Energy; and
  - For the University of Northern Iowa Parking Deck and Transit Facility: Authorize permission to proceed with project planning, waive Board Policy 9.10B.2 requiring the use of an architectural selection committee for projects with budgets exceeding $1 million and continue use of Substance Architecture as the project architect, authorize permission for the University to become the grantee for the Federal Transit Administration (FTA) funds, and approve use of the proposed site as the local match for the FTA grant.

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MOTION APPROVED by ROLL CALL.
Preliminary Resolution for the Sale of up to $25,000,000 Utility System Revenue Bonds, Series SUI 2007

Vice President Doug True stated that the bonds will finance a number of utility projects and are scheduled to be sold at the February 2007 Board meeting.

MOVED by ARBISSER, SECONDED by BECKER, to:

Adopt A Resolution authorizing the Executive Director to fix the date or dates for the sale of up to $25,000,000 Utility System Revenue Bonds, Series S.U.I. 2007.

MOTION APPROVED by ROLL CALL.

Consent Agenda

- Minutes of November 6, 2006, Meeting
- Minutes of November 8-9, 2006, Meeting
- Minutes of November 17, 2006, Meeting
- Institutional and Board Office Personnel Transactions
- Conflict of Interest Vendor
- Iowa State Center Annual Report for FY 2006

MOVED by ARBISSER, SECONDED by CONNOLLY, to approve the Consent Agenda.

MOTION APPROVED by ROLL CALL.

Approval of 2007-08 Tuition and Fees

MOVED by ARBISSER, SECONDED by HARKIN, to approve Tuition and Fees for the 2007-08 academic year.

MOTION APPROVED by ROLL CALL.
University of Iowa Hospitals and Clinics (UIHC) Trustees

UIHC COMMITTEE REPORT
Chair Downer, Interim President Gary Fethke, and Senior Assistant Director, Dr. Stacey Cyphert, reported on the UIHC Committee meeting held on December 6, 2006. The next UIHC Committee meeting will be held at UIHC on January 17, 2007.

UIHC TRUSTEES MEETING AGENDA
- FY 2006 Review
  Chair Downer noted that UIHC had made improvement in all areas and trends were continuing into FY 2007. Interim President Fethke noted that the most prominent feature is the cost efficiencies which have contributed to the larger margin. Dr. Cyphert reported that UIHC was down to one agency nurse.

- IowaCare
  Dr. Cyphert reported that overall enrollment is down, but utilization at UIHC has been steady to a little ahead of last year. Dr. Cyphert also reported on the pilot projects for durable medical equipment and pharmaceuticals for IowaCare patients seen at UIHC. To date, the cost of the pilot projects is at $1 million with an anticipated total cost for $3-4 million for the year.

- Annual Report
  Chair Downer noted that all members of the Board will be receiving a hard copy of the UIHC Annual Report.

➢ The committee report was received by GENERAL CONSENT.

President Gartner adjourned the meeting at 11:17 a.m.