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**MINUTES OF JANUARY 11, 2007  
BOARD OF REGENTS, STATE OF IOWA**

**TELEPHONIC MEETING**

**HOST SITE: BOARD OF REGENTS OFFICE, 11260 AURORA, URBAN DALE, IOWA**

**Board Members**

Amir Arbisser, Mary Ellen Becker, Tom Bedell, Jenny Connolly, Robert Downer, Michael Gartner, Ruth Harkin, Rose Vasquez, Teresa Wahlert

**Staff Members**

Andrea Anania, Susan Anderson, Brad Berg, Sheila Doyle, Pam Elliott Cain, Diana Gonzalez, Joe Murphy, Joan Racki, Gary Steinke, Ilene Tuttle

**Regent Institutions**

Via Phone:

University of Iowa, Iowa State University, University of Northern Iowa, Iowa School for the Deaf

Present at Host Site:

SUI Gary Fethke, Donna Katen-Bahensky, Meredith Hay, David Johnsen, Doug True  
IBSSS Jeanne Prickett

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**President Gartner called the meeting to order at 10:10 a.m.**

**Selection of University of Iowa Presidential Search Committee**

➤ MOVED by WAHLERT, SECONDED by DOWNER, to approve the nominations of the five initial members of the University of Iowa Presidential Search Committee as recommended by David Johnsen, Presidential Search Committee Chair:

- ◆ Professor Jonathan Carlson, College of Law;
- ◆ Professor Lee Anna Clark, Department of Psychology and College of Liberal Arts and Sciences;
- ◆ Leonard Hadley, retired chairman and CEO, Maytag Corporation;
- ◆ Dean Linda Maxson, College of Liberal Arts and Sciences; and
- ◆ Professor Paul Rothman, DEO, Department of Internal Medicine, Carver College of Medicine.

<u>Regent</u>	<u>Arbisser</u>	<u>Becker</u>	<u>Bedell</u>	<u>Connolly</u>	<u>Downer</u>	<u>Gartner</u>	<u>Harkin</u>	<u>Vasquez</u>	<u>Wahlert</u>
Aye	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x
Nay									

MOTION APPROVED by ROLL CALL.

**University of Iowa Requests Related to Vice President for Medical Affairs**

Interim President Fethke reported that excellent care is being given to patients but that the coordination of care could be improved. He stated that the theme for the integration of the clinical functions of UIHC, University Physicians, and the non-academic functions of the College of Medicine is patient welfare and patient service. He said that improved coordination of care will make a remarkable and distinctive experience for patients and provide a better financial position for the Board.

Dr. Jean Robillard reported that the University of Iowa Hospitals and Clinics has the best quality of care in the nation and that the challenge in bringing the two organizations together is to make sure that value is created for Iowans. He explained that having the same vision and strategy will make it easier to achieve this goal and that bringing the education of nurses, pharmacists, physicians, and physician assistants to work together as a team is where medicine is and where it is going.

Regent Downer stated that more creativity and innovation is needed and decisions up to this point have been terrific. He reminded everyone that some of the proposed items will require Board action.

President Gartner recapped that the University's proposal would provide simplicity of process for the patient, transparency of finance for the Board, and coordination of strategy for the state.

➤ **MOVED** by WAHLERT, **SECONDED** by DOWNER, to:

- ◆ Reinstatement of Vice President for Medical Affairs position reporting to the President, University of Iowa.
- ◆ Approve appointment of Dr. Jean Robillard as Vice President for Medical Affairs and Dean of the Carver College of Medicine at compensation to be determined by the President, University of Iowa, and reported to the Board.

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Aye	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x
Nay									

**MOTION APPROVED** by ROLL CALL.

**Other Business - American Federation of State, County, and Municipal Employees (AFSCME)**

Executive Director Gary Steinke reported that: (1) over the past year, he and President Gartner met with AFSCME President Danny Homan and local presidents around the state to discuss issues, exchange ideas, and gain understanding of the philosophy and concerns of both organizations; (2) after the Regents' budget request was presented to AFSCME earlier this week, President Homan offered to incorporate the Regents' entire budget request of \$72 million, including salary, operating, and capital requests, into AFSCME's legislative agenda for the upcoming legislative session and make that budget request a priority as a part of their legislative advocacy; and (3) AFSCME believes that keeping tuition low and the universities vibrant is important to economic development and this state.

President Gartner expressed the Regents' appreciation to AFSCME and stated that we look forward to a continued, strong working relationship.

President Gartner reported that a security breach was reported at the University of Iowa Hospitals and Clinics and requested that the Board Office report back to the Board on this issue.

**President Gartner adjourned the meeting at 10:35 a.m.**