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The Honorable Chester J. Culver, Governor  
State of Iowa  
State Capitol Building  
Des Moines, IA 50319

Dear Governor Culver:

This letter provides information about the meeting of the Board of Regents on September 16 and 17 at the Iowa School for the Deaf. The meeting materials are available on the Regent website at the following address:

[www2.state.ia.us/regents/Meetings/DocketMemos/memos.html](http://www2.state.ia.us/regents/Meetings/DocketMemos/memos.html)

I am available at any time to answer questions about the meeting materials or any other matter.

On the first day of the meeting, the Board will perform annual evaluations of the institutional heads. The evaluation of the Executive Director will take place on the morning of the second day. All individuals have requested, in accordance with the Iowa Code, that their evaluations take place in closed session. The Board will review the self-assessments prepared by the executives for their FY 2009 performance goals established by the executives and discuss the goals established for the current year.

The Board's two active committees will meet on September 17. The following agenda items will be discussed by the committees:

University of Iowa Hospitals and Clinics Committee (chaired by Regent Robert Downer)

- UIHC Operating and Financial Performance
- Carver College of Medicine Report
- Expense Moderation and Initiatives

Audit/Compliance and Investment Committee (chaired by Regent Jack Evans)

- Investment and Cash Management Report for the Quarter Ended June 30, 2009
- Overview of Internal Audit Personnel
- Modification of Banking Relationships
- Fund Manager Issues

Other agenda items include:

The Board will consider approval of two ARRA funded projects at the University of Iowa. The university was appropriated \$35.5 million in ARRA. The university used \$20 million to bolster its General Education Fund for transition to FY 2011. A portion (\$15.5 million) of ARRA funding was set aside to be awarded through a competitive campus process. Coming from this competitive process are two projects in excess of \$1 million which require Board approval. These are \$3 million for high-performance computing in the sciences, engineering, and humanities and \$1 million for renovation of laboratory space to aid in the recruitment of a director for the new Diabetes Center following the recent \$25 million gift from the Fraternal Order of Eagles. More information on these projects may be found in Agenda Item #2d.

The Board will receive the annual report and consider the FY 2010 budget request from the Iowa Lakeside Laboratory Regents Resource Center. The lab has provided educational opportunities to the state for 100 years. The three universities offer science-based courses allowing students to study nature first-hand. The FY 2010 budget reflects reductions in contributions from the University of Iowa and Iowa State University due to reductions in state appropriations.

The Board will consider approval of the request for appropriations for FY 2011 totaling \$767.6 million. More detail on the appropriations request may be found in Agenda Item #7.

The Board will consider approval of the Five-Year Capital Plan which includes the FY 2011 capital request. The five-year capital plan has a cost of \$685.85 million which includes \$147.9 million to be funded by capital appropriations or Academic Building Revenue Bonds. The Board will also receive the five-year capital plan for the University of Iowa Hospitals and Clinics to be funded by Hospital Building Usage Funds and Hospital Revenue bonds. In addition, the Board will receive the five-year plan for capital projects to be funded by sources other than capital appropriations, Academic Building Revenue Bonds, or UIHC funds. More specifics on the capital plans may be found in Agenda Item #8.

The Board will be updated on the flood recovery activities at the University of Iowa. Work continues on examining the best site options for Hancher Auditorium and for the School of Music. More specifics on the flood recovery activities may be found in Agenda Item #15.

The Board will receive a report on the University of Iowa's Pre-Disaster Mitigation Plan (PDMP). The PDMP identifies natural hazards that may impact the university, identify actions and activities to reduce losses from those hazards, and establish a coordinated response to implement the plan. More detail on this plan may be found in Agenda Item #16.

The Board's agenda includes one bond sale. The first is for the sale of \$26,000,000 in Academic Building Revenue Bonds. The bond proceeds would pay for a portion of the Chemistry Building (Hach Hall) at Iowa State University.

The Board will receive an update from the institutional heads on the sexual misconduct policies.

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The University of Iowa capital register includes two projects for the Board's consideration as follows:

- West Campus Power Plant – project would construct a new combined heat and power facility on the university's west campus. The need for this project was demonstrated by the flooding of 2008 for new, adequate and reliable power facilities on the west side of campus and not vulnerable to future flooding. The estimated project cost of \$70 million would be funded from a pending federal grant and would be matched at 50% from University of Iowa Utility System Revenue Bonds.
- The Board is asked to approve the schematic design, project description and budget for the Dental Science Building, Phase 1 – project would construct an addition to the existing Dental Science Building. The project cost of \$17 million would be funded by College of Dentistry gifts and clinical earnings and university allocations from Treasurer's Temporary Investment Income or Central Building Improvement funds.

The Board will receive the following presentations:

- Richard Oshlo will report on the hiring of Public Works LLC.
- Kristen Newton and Diane LeDoux, teachers at ISD, will describe ISD's contribution to the lowater Project. Each of these teachers has taught at ISD for more than 30 years. The lowater program is a multi-agency collaboration that includes the Iowa DNR and U.S. Geological Services.

If we can provide additional information, please contact us.

Sincerely,



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Rachel Scott, Policy Liaison, Governor's Office  
Members of the Board of Regents, State of Iowa