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July 25, 2017

The Honorable Kim Reynolds, Governor
State of Iowa
State Capitol Building
Des Moines, IA 50319

Dear Governor Reynolds:

This letter provides information about the telephonic meeting of the Board of Regents on August 2 originating from the Board of Regents Office in Urbandale, Iowa.

The meeting materials are available on the Regents website at the following address:

<http://www.iowaregents.edu/meetings/upcoming-meetings-and-agendas/>

Audio streaming of the meeting may be accessed through the Board of Regents website. I am available at any time to answer questions.

The Property and Facilities Committee, chaired by Regent Dakovich, will meet at 1:30 p.m. The committee will consider the register of University of Iowa capital improvement business transactions (P&F item 2). The project to consider requests approval of schematic design, project description and authorization to proceed with construction to build a new clubhouse at Finkbine Golf Course. This project would replace the 52-year-old, 5,400 square foot existing clubhouse with a new two-level, 23,000 square foot clubhouse and support facility. The space would include larger and more equitable men's and women's locker rooms, fully accessible retail pro shop, full kitchen, dining, banquet event space, and an administrative office. Accommodations for the golf cart fleet would be on the lower level. The existing clubhouse would be razed once the new facility is occupied. The project budget of \$9.95 million would be funded by athletics department gifts.

The committee will also consider the register of Iowa State University capital improvement business transactions (P&F item 4). The project to consider requests approval of the project description and budget on improvements to the Maple-Willow-Larch Recreation Fields. These improvements would enhance drainage, durability of turf, and allow the fields to be used at night for sport clubs and intramural activities for the first time. The project budget's estimate is \$2.1 million and would be funded by recreational services.

The committee will also consider recommending approval of a proposed property sale by the University of Northern Iowa. A total of 0.41 acres of land would be sold to the City of Cedar Falls for a sanitary sewer project at a price of \$55,000, subject to approval of the final documents by the Board Office and Attorney General's Office. More information is available in P&F item 5.

The full Board will convene at 2:00 p.m. The Board will consider the proposed FY 2018 budgets for the three public universities, Iowa Public Radio and the Board Office. The Board will also consider restricted budgets which include budgets for athletics, capital funding previously approved by the General Assembly, and residence system budgets. Additional details of the budgets may be found in agenda item 4.

Other agenda items for the Board include:

- Consideration of personnel action for institutional heads compensation.
- Receiving an update from Dr. Luis Rico-Gutierrez, Dean of the Iowa State College of Design and Co-Chair of the ISU Presidential Search Committee, on the search for the next president at Iowa State University.
- Receiving an update from Keith Saunders, Board of Regents Interim Executive Director, on the search for a new Executive Director.
- Receiving bids for the sale and award of two revenue refunding bonds for an estimated \$26.5 million. Present value savings is estimated to total \$2.2 million.

If we can provide additional information, please contact us.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Michael Richards", written in a cursive style.

Michael J. Richards

cc: Lt. Governor Adam Gregg
Members of the Board of Regents, State of Iowa