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

Dear Governor Reynolds:

This letter provides information about the meeting of the Board of Regents on September 6-7 originating in the Main Lounge of the Memorial Union on the campus of the University of 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 Academic and Student Affairs Committee, chaired by Regent Boettger, will meet at 12:30 p.m. on Wednesday, September 6. The committee will receive a presentation on a program assisting new students with their transition to the University of Iowa. The committee will also hear from the University of Iowa on academic program changes and adjustments in admission strategies. Additionally, the committee will receive the Iowa Lakeside Annual Report and FY2018 budget.

The Campus Safety and Security Committee, chaired by Regent Johnson, will meet at approximately 1:15 p.m. Among other items, the committee will receive an update on current laws, rules and regulations as well as a report on the planning for the 2017 Campus Safety and Security Summit.

At approximately 1:45 p.m., the Property and Facility Committee, chaired by Regent Dakovich, will meet. The committee will consider the five-year state-funded capital plans. The FY 2019-2023 period totals \$538.2 million in capital appropriations requests, with \$24 million in private/other funds. This includes a capital request of \$61 million for FY 2019.

The committee will also consider the five-year institutional roads program. This includes capital projects totaling \$10 million for calendar years 2018-2022, including \$2 million for calendar year 2018. Funds for improvements and maintenance of roads at the Regent institutions and other state agencies are provided annually to the State Parks and Institutional Roads Program, which is administered by the Iowa Department of Transportation. More information is available in P&F item 3.

The committee will consider the register of University of Iowa capital improvement transactions (P&F item 4). The first project to consider is a request to proceed with project planning to replace a stretch of 97-year-old steam piping under the east Madison Street sidewalk from Burlington Street to Washington Street. The project budget of \$8-\$10 million would be funded by utility renewal and improvement funds and/or utility enterprise revenue bonds.

The second project to consider is a request to proceed with project planning to install a new cooling tower on the roof of one of the existing chilled water plants, which will increase capacity and performance. The budget of \$5-\$10 million would be funded by utility revenue and improvement funds and/or utility enterprise revenue bonds.

The third project to consider is a request to approve schematic design, project description and budget to renovate the south wing of the first floor of the Medical Laboratories Building. The budget of \$2.6 million would be funded by Carver College of Medicine gifts and earnings, building renewal, and treasurer's temporary investment income.

The fourth project to consider is a request to approve schematic design, project description and budget to renovate 7,600 square feet on the first floor of Bowen Science Building. This renovated space would include lab and testing space, offices, a freezer farm and storage. The project budget of \$3.8 million would be funded by building renewal and treasurer's temporary investment income.

The fifth project to consider is a request to approve schematic design, project description and budget for renovations to the Medical Education Research Facility. The remodeled space would include a processing area, centrifuge room and storage. The budget of \$2.2 million would be funded by Carver College of Medicine gifts and earnings.

The sixth project to consider is a request to approve schematic design, project description and budget for renovation and expansion of level 6 of the John Pappajohn Pavilion. This project would be for 10,000 square feet of renovated space for the labor and delivery area. The budget of \$4.5 million would be funded by university hospitals building usage funds.

The seventh project to consider is a request to approve schematic design, project description and budget for an expansion of the John Pappajohn Pavilion neurosurgery and psychiatry clinic. This project would provide for 6 additional exam rooms, a waiting room, and offices. The budget of \$3.2 million would be funded by university hospitals building usage funds.

The University of Iowa will also ask the committee for consideration to purchase two pieces of property immediately across from the Pappajohn Business Building. The proposed purchase price of \$2.7 million would be funded from treasurer's temporary investment income. More information is available in P&F item 5.

The committee will consider the register of Iowa State University capital improvement business transactions (P&F item 6). The first project is a request for permission to proceed with project planning for improvements to enhance 37 acres of existing recreation fields east of Jack Trice Stadium. The project's estimated budget of \$8-\$12 million would be funded by ISU recreation services.

The second project is a request for permission to proceed with project planning on construction of new poultry teaching and research facilities, to include new classrooms and teaching laboratories, on the current site of the Poultry Science Farm. The project's estimated budget is \$5 million and would be funded by private giving.

The committee will consider the register of University of Northern Iowa capital improvement business transactions. The project to consider is approval of the project description and budget for the demolition of Hillside Courts apartments (P&F item 7). These 26 apartments are in need of significantly costly repairs to maintain. Students can be accommodated in other apartments on campus. The project budget of \$3.2 million would be funded by residence system funds.

The committee will consider the sale of 65.29 acres of land from Iowa School for the Deaf for a price of \$508,000. The parcel of land, located northeast of Highway 92, is currently leased to a private farming tenant and ISD has determined continued ownership of the property no longer fits with the mission of the school. More information is available in P&F item 8.

The Investment and Finance Committee, chaired by Regent McKibben, will meet at approximately 2:45 p.m. It will receive the investment and cash management report for the quarter ended June 30, as well as a review of peer group comparisons.

The full Board will convene at approximately 3:15 p.m. The Audit and Compliance Committee, chaired by Regent Dunkel, will meet at this time. Auditor of State Mosiman will present the FY 2017 state audit plan and review FY 2016 reports of recommendations arising from audits in the Regent enterprise. Board of Regents Chief Audit Executive Stewart will review numerous internal audits and discuss the FY 2018 internal audit plan.

The University of Iowa Hospitals and Clinics Committee, chaired by Regent Bates, will then meet. The committee will receive the operating and financial performance report, hear two presentations, and receive an update on the search for a new Vice President for Medical Affairs.

On Thursday, September 7, the Board will have breakfast with student leaders from the public universities. At 10:00 a.m., the Board will convene in open session. The Board will hear a report from the Regents Tuition Task Force which was chaired by Regent McKibben.

Other agenda items for the Board include:

- Receiving reports from institutional heads at the public universities and special schools.
- 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 two presentations. The first is on the implementation of the Every Student Succeeds Act, and the second is a faculty presentation on advancing health in Iowa and the nation via the rural telehealth research center.
- Receiving bids for the sale and award of athletic facilities revenue refunding bonds for an estimated \$6.36 million, and bids for the sale and award of ISU Facilities Corporation revenue bonds for an estimated \$38 million.

If we can provide additional information, please contact us.

Sincerely,



Michael J. Richards

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