

**Governing Iowa's public
universities and special schools**

University of Iowa
Iowa State University
University of Northern Iowa
Iowa School for the Deaf
Iowa Braille and Sight Saving School
Lakeside Lab Regents Resource Center
Quad-Cities Graduate Center
Southwest Iowa Regents Resource Center
Tri-State Graduate Center



David W. Miles, President, *West Des Moines*
Jack B. Evans, Pro Tem, *Cedar Rapids*
Bonnie J. Campbell, *Des Moines*
Robert N. Downer, *Iowa City*
Michael G. Gartner, *Des Moines*
Ruth R. Harkin, *Cumming*
Greta A. Johnson, *Le Mars*
Craig A. Lang, *Brooklyn*
Rose A. Vasquez, *Des Moines*

Robert Donley, *Executive Director*

President Miles' Statement on Salaries of Institutional Heads

February 27, 2009

For the past several weeks, Iowa's public universities and special schools have been continuously reviewing their FY 2009 and FY 2010 budgets to identify necessary spending reductions totaling 9.0%, or approximately \$62 million, in response to appropriation reductions for both years. This is a tremendous undertaking, and I applaud the institutions for their initiative, creativity, and quick turnaround in responding to this difficult task. While the budget reductions will result in certain hardships for each institution, the Board of Regents will continue its comprehensive review of all operations and will remain committed to doing what is necessary during this fiscal crisis. We will do so while also working to minimize for Iowans any negative impact on the quality or accessibility of our academic programs, the support of our research and economic development initiatives, and our many services to the State.

We are making the necessary progress in our cost-saving efforts thanks to the exemplary leadership of our institutional heads: President Sally Mason at the University of Iowa; President Greg Geoffroy at Iowa State University; President Ben Allen at the University of Northern Iowa; Superintendent Jeanne Prickett at the Iowa School for the Deaf; and Superintendent Patrick Clancy at the Iowa Braille and Sight Saving School. As further evidence of their fine leadership and support of their institutions, the Board of Regents and the institutional heads have jointly agreed that the university presidents and special school superintendents will forgo salary increases for FY 2010, as well as bonuses at the end of this fiscal year.

The Board of Regents offers its sincere thanks to its institutional leaders for their additional contribution to their institutions, their personal recognition of the needs of the State, and their fine example of the importance of an individual response to the State's fiscal challenges.