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Board of Regents Announces Transparency Officers

(URBANDALE, Iowa) – At its meeting on August 8, 2013, the Board of Regents approved the recommendations of the Board's Transparency Task Force which were developed to increase the transparency of the Board and the Regent institutions. The approved recommendations include best practices for: 1) responding to public information requests; and 2) providing additional access to public information of interest to Iowans. The recommendations are outlined in the final report of the Task Force to the Board of Regents, which can be found at the following link – http://www.regents.iowa.gov/Meetings/DocketMemos/13Memos/August2013/0813_ITEM11.pdf.

The Board Office and the institutions will implement the approved transparency measures as soon as possible. This begins with the naming of a Transparency Officer at each institution and the Board Office. Each officer will have the responsibility to track public record requests, preside at the public comment hearings to be held prior to each Board meeting, and other duties. Below is a list of the designated Transparency Officers.

University of Iowa	Ann Goff Director of Project Management	ann-goff@uiowa.edu (319) 335-2801
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The Board Office will announce the responses to the other Board-approved transparency measures as they are implemented.

The Board of Regents thanks the members of the Transparency Task Force for their contributions to this important effort.

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