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**MINUTES OF DECEMBER 5, 2007
BOARD OF REGENTS, STATE OF IOWA**

TELEPHONIC MEETING

HOST SITE: BOARD OF REGENTS OFFICE, 11260 AURORA, URBANDALE, IOWA

Board Members

Bonnie Campbell	Present
Jenny Connolly	Present
Robert Downer	Present
Jack Evans	Present
Michael Gartner	Absent
Ruth Harkin	Present
Craig Lang	Present
David Miles	Present
Rose Vasquez	Present

Staff Members

Andrea Anania, Andy Baumert, Marcia Brunson, Aimee Clayton, Sheila Doyle, Diana Gonzalez, Joe Murphy, Keith Saunders, Ilene Tuttle

Regent Institutions

University of Iowa, Iowa State University, University of Northern Iowa, Iowa School for the Deaf, Iowa Braille and Sight Saving School

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President Pro Tem Miles called the meeting to order at 10:07 a.m. on December 5, 2007.

Election of President of the Board of Regents

- MOVED by CAMPBELL, SECONDED by EVANS, to appoint David Miles as President of the Board of Regents, beginning on January 1, 2008, and concluding on April 30, 2008, or until a new President is elected.

<u>Regent</u>	<u>Campbell</u>	<u>Connolly</u>	<u>Downer</u>	<u>Evans</u>	<u>Gartner</u>	<u>Harkin</u>	<u>Lang</u>	<u>Miles</u>	<u>Vasquez</u>
Aye	x	x	x	x		x	x		x
Nay									
Absent					x				
Abstain								x	

MOTION APPROVED by ROLL CALL.

President Pro Tem Miles thanked the Board members for their confidence in him and said that being elected President of the Board of Regents is a great honor.

President Pro Tem Miles thanked Michael Gartner for his leadership and service to the Board of Regents and to the State of Iowa. He said that, throughout his tenure as President, Michael Gartner:

- ◆ Made students his highest priority by working to provide the best education possible at all of the Regent institutions;
 - ◆ Hired two excellent University Presidents and the recently departed Executive Director;
 - ◆ Secured full funding during the 2007 legislative session;
 - ◆ Launched an integrated Iowa Public Radio;
 - ◆ Implemented a strong internal audit system;
 - ◆ Achieved a number of economic development initiatives on all three university campuses;
 - ◆ Refocused the strategic direction of the Iowa Braille and Sight Saving School;
 - ◆ Renewed strong working relationships with the American Federation of State, County and Municipal Employees Union and with student leaders; and
 - ◆ Secured funding for a new State Hygienic Lab.
- MOVED by CAMPBELL, SECONDED by HARKIN, to express the Board's appreciation to outgoing Board of Regents' President Michael Gartner for his fabulous leadership and commitment of time and energy to this volunteer position.

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Aye	x	x	x	x		x	x	x	x
Nay									
Absent					x				

MOTION APPROVED by ROLL CALL.

President Pro Tem Miles adjourned the meeting at 10:14 a.m.