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MINUTES OF APRIL 19-20, 2023 BOARD MEETING

**REIMAN BALLROOM, ALUMNI CENTER
IOWA STATE UNIVERSITY
AMES, IOWA**

Board Members

Michael Richards, President
Sherry Bates, President Pro Tem
David Barker
Nancy Boettger
Abby Crow
Nancy Dunkel
Jim Lindenmayer
JC Risewick
Greta Rouse

April 19, 2023

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April 20, 2023

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Board Office

Brock Ascher, Mark Braun, Mary Braun, Kristin Bauer, Brad Berg, Rachel Boon, Aimee Claeys, Laura Dickson, Stephanie Griffin, Debra Johnston, Josh Lehman, John Nash, Jason Pontius.

SUI

Barbara Wilson
Rod Lehnertz
Kevin Kregel
J. Brooks Jackson
Kim Hunter
Mark Henrichs

ISU

Wendy Wintersteen
Shawn Norman
Jonathan Wickert

UNI

Mark Nook
Michael Hager
José Herrera

ISD

Mark Huss

The corresponding memorandum for each agenda item, an integral component of the minutes, is available on the Board of Regents website: <http://www.iowaregents.edu>. Copies of these memoranda can also be obtained from the Board Office by calling 515-281-3934. Audio of the meeting is also available on the website.

April 19, 2023

The Property and Facilities Committee met at 11 a.m.

The Campus and Student Affairs Committee met at 12:45 p.m.

The Academic Affairs Committee met at 1:07 p.m.

Call to Order for April 19, 2023

President Richards called the meeting to order at 2:28 p.m.

Roll Call:

	Barker	Bates	Boettger	Crow	Dunkel	Lindenmayer	Richards	Risewick	Rouse
Present	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x
Absent									

The Audit and Compliance Committee met at 2:30 p.m.

The University of Iowa Hospitals and Clinics Committee met at 2:41 p.m.

Adjourn

President Richards adjourned the meeting at 3:15 p.m.

April 20, 2023

Call to Order for April 20, 2023

President Richards called the meeting to order at 9:15 a.m.

Consent Agenda

- ✓ MOVED by BATES, SECONDED by DUNKEL, to approve and receive the following CONSENT AGENDA items:
- a) Minutes of February 22, 2023 Board Meeting
 - b) Meeting of April 19, 2023 Property and Facilities Committee
 - c) Meeting of April 19, 2023 Academic Affairs Committee
 - d) Meeting of April 19, 2023 Campus and Student Affairs Committee
 - e) Meeting of April 19, 2023 Audit and Compliance Committee
 - f) Meeting of April 19, 2023, University of Iowa Hospitals and Clinics Committee
 - g) Annual Report on Competition with Private Enterprise
 - h) Approval of University Parking Rates & Violations / Sanctions for FY 2024
 - i) Proposed Residence System Rates for 2023-24 Academic Year
 - j) Agreements with the Nebraska Department of Education

	Barker	Bates	Boettger	Crow	Dunkel	Lindenmayer	Richards	Risewick	Rouse
Aye	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x
Nay									

MOTION APPROVED by ROLL CALL.

Board President Report

President Richards read a statement:

Last month, I announced that the Board will establish a working group to study Diversity, Equity and Inclusion efforts at Iowa's public universities.

Regents Barker, Lindenmayer and Rouse will lead this working group. They have been working with Board office staff to come up with a structure and process for how the comprehensive review will proceed. They have also been having conversations with the university presidents.

While the review has not yet started, and the specifics are still being worked out, here is what I can share at this point:

We expect the review to take several months, and likely stretching into the fall semester. There will be multiple meetings.

Faculty, staff and students from the universities will be included in the process.

There will be an opportunity for anyone, whether it be members of the campus community or general public, to provide feedback to the working group via a web-based form.

When the working group has completed its review, it will present its findings and any recommendations to the full Board of Regents at one of the Board's public meetings. Tentatively, we have identified November 2023 as the meeting when the working group will make its presentation, but this could change.

This is a very important topic, and the Board looks forward to letting the working group create the process and do its work, and present back to the Board its findings.

Thank you.

President Richards read the following proclamation for Regent Nancy Boettger:

WHEREAS, Nancy Boettger was appointed to the Board of Regents by Governor Branstad for a term beginning May 1, 2017, and her term will end on April 30, 2023; and

WHEREAS, she has served as Chair of the Board of Regents Academic Affairs Committee, which provided oversight of academic programs, faculty activities, admissions standards, and student success benchmarks; and

WHEREAS, during her time on the Board, successful searches were conducted for institutional leaders at Iowa State University and the University of Iowa, resulting in the hiring of outstanding presidents at each university;

WHEREAS, during her time as a Regent, the Board completed a historic 50-year, \$1.165 million public-private partnership (P3) with the University of Iowa's utility system, and she also served as a member of the three-person group that reviewed and approved strategic initiative projects for the university funded from the P3 endowment; and

WHEREAS during her tenure, the Board approved hundreds of millions of dollars in capital projects at the Regents universities, including academic, student residential, and health care construction and improvements; and

WHEREAS, she was a member of the Board's free speech working group, which met in 2020 and 2021 and provided recommendations adopted by the Board to improve and strengthen the universities' efforts in free speech; and

WHEREAS, she served as a commissioner of the Midwestern Higher Education Compact, an organization of 12 member states that strengthens postsecondary education through cost-saving initiatives and policy solutions informed by research and the expertise of regional leaders; and

WHEREAS, she served as a member of the Board's Tuition Task Force in 2017, which involved multiple public meetings to discuss tuition and funding at the public universities; and

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Regents, State of Iowa expresses its deep gratitude to Regent Boettger for her expertise and dedication, and publicly acknowledges her for her extraordinary service and contributions to the Board of Regents, its institutions, students, families, and all Iowans.

Regent Boettger thanked the Board, noting that her time of service had been a pleasure and a privilege and that Iowa State University was what had drawn her to the state of Iowa.

Reports from Institutional Heads

President Wintersteen, President Wilson and President Nook presented updates on their respective institutions.

ISU Research Presentation – Antimicrobial Resistance

President Richards recognized Dr. Peter Dorhout, VP for Research at ISU, who introduced Dr. Paul Plummer, professor and Anderson Chair of Veterinary Sciences at Iowa State. Plummer, executive director of the National Institute of Antimicrobial Resistance Research and Education and chair of the Presidential Advisory Council for Combating Antimicrobial Resistant Bacteria, presented his research on Antimicrobial Resistance.

FY 2024 Salary Policies

President Richards recognized Board Counsel Aimee Claeys, who introduced representatives from faculty and staff groups who are not organized for collective bargaining purposes to present to the Board. Presenters included Ana Rodríguez-Rodríguez, president of the UI Faculty Senate, UI Staff Council President Jackie Kleppe, ISU Faculty Senate President Jon Perkins and UNI Professional and Scientific Council President Kristina Kofoot.

Collective Bargaining Agreements

President Richards recognized Board Counsel Aimee Claeys and Associate Board Counsel and Director of HR and Merit Systems Kristin Bauer. Bauer presented collective bargaining agreements with the Board's various bargaining units.

- ✓ MOVED by BARKER, SECONDED by ROUSE to ratify the collective bargaining agreement with United Electrical, Radio and Machine Workers of America, Local 896 Campaign to Organize Graduate Students (COGS) for the graduate teaching and research assistants at the University of Iowa (UI); and the collective bargaining agreement with the UNI-United Faculty for faculty at the University of Northern Iowa (UNI); and the collective bargaining agreement with the Service Employees International Union Minnesota & Iowa (SEIU) for the tertiary health care employees at the University of Iowa Hospitals and Clinics.

	Barker	Bates	Boettger	Crow	Dunkel	Lindenmayer	Richards	Risewick	Rouse
Aye	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x
Nay									

MOTION APPROVED by ROLL CALL.

Policy Manual Revisions

President Richards recognized Board Counsel Aimee Claeys who presented Board Policy Manual revisions intended to clarify the structure, organization, and authority of permanent committees of the Board.

- ✓ MOVED by BOETTGER, SECONDED by DUNKEL to approve revisions to Board of Regents Policy Manual Chapters 1.2 – Board of Regents Committees and 1.4 – Meetings, as detailed in Attachment A of the corresponding docket memo.

	Barker	Bates	Boettger	Crow	Dunkel	Lindenmayer	Richards	Risewick	Rouse
Aye	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x
Nay									

MOTION APPROVED by ROLL CALL.

Sale and Award of SUI Parking System Bond Anticipation Project Notes

President Richards recognized Chief Business Officer Brad Berg, who introduced Elizabeth Bergman from Baker Tilly Municipal Advisors LLC, the Board's municipal advisor. Bergman reported that (1) the winning bid was submitted by Wells Fargo; and (2) the true interest cost was 3.60%.

- ✓ MOVED by BATES, SECONDED by RISEWICK, to approve a resolution providing for the sale, award and authorizing the issuance and securing the payment of \$56,550,000 Parking System Bond Anticipation Project Notes, Series S.U.I. 2023, for the purpose of financing a portion of the costs of constructing and equipping a new parking facility at The State University of Iowa, funding a capitalized interest fund, and paying costs of issuance.

	Barker	Bates	Boettger	Crow	Dunkel	Lindenmayer	Richards	Risewick	Rouse
Aye	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x
Nay									

MOTION APPROVED by ROLL CALL.

Closed Session

- ✓ MOVED by DUNKEL, SECONDED by BATES to enter closed session in accordance with Iowa Code section 21.5.1.a, to review and discuss records in the matter of an employee appeal which are required or authorized to be kept confidential in accordance with Iowa Code section 22.7.11.; and in accordance with Iowa Code section 21.5.1.c, to discuss strategy with counsel in matters that are presently in litigation or where litigation is imminent and premature disclosure would likely prejudice or disadvantage the position of the Board.

	Barker	Bates	Boettger	Crow	Dunkel	Lindenmayer	Richards	Risewick	Rouse
Aye	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x
Nay									

MOTION APPROVED by ROLL CALL.

The Board convened in closed session at 11:28 a.m.

The Board reconvened in open session at 12:03 p.m.

Employee Appeal

- ✓ MOVED by BARKER, SECONDED by DUNKEL to deny the employee appeal and affirm the final institutional decision in its entirety.

	Barker	Bates	Boettger	Crow	Dunkel	Lindenmayer	Richards	Risewick	Rouse
Aye	x	x	x	x	x	x	x		x
Absent								x	

MOTION APPROVED by ROLL CALL.

Adjourn

President Richards adjourned the meeting at 12:03 p.m.