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April 26, 2007

The Honorable Chester J. Culver, Governor
State of Iowa
State Capitol Building
Des Moines, IA 50319

Dear Governor Culver:

This letter provides information about the meeting of the Board of Regents on May 1 at the University of Iowa. The May meeting materials are available on the Regent web site at the following address:

<http://www2.state.ia.us/regents/Meetings/DocketMemos/memos.html>

I am available at any time to answer questions about the meeting materials or any other matter.

A number of the items the Board will consider are highlighted below.

CyberInnovation Institute at Iowa State University -- The purpose of the proposed institute is to strengthen ISU's research in information sciences and information technologies and leverage it to grow the state's economy.

Sale and award of \$27,525,000 academic building revenue bonds -- Proceeds from the bonds will be used to partially fund the chemistry building renovation project and phase 2 of the art building at the University of Iowa.

Annual Governance Report on Faculty Tenure -- The Board will consider faculty tenure and promotion actions which will be effective with the beginning of 2007-08 academic year and will receive an analytical report of actions granted in 2006-07 year.

University of Iowa Presidential Search -- The Board will receive an update from Dr. David Johnsen, Chair of the University of Iowa Presidential Search Committee.

Legislative Update -- Executive Director Steinke will provide an oral report regarding activities of the Iowa General Assembly.

FY 2008 Budget Issues and FY 2007 Budget Ceiling Adjustment – The Board will discuss FY 2008 budget issues and provide guidance to the Board Office and the institutions as necessary for the final FY 2008 budget. The Board is also asked to consider setting the reallocation percentage. A 1% reallocation target is recommended and would result in approximately \$11.3 million being reallocated at the five institutions for strategic purposes.

Allocation of Mandatory Student Fees for the 2007-08 Academic Year – The Board approved tuition and mandatory fees in December for the 2007-08 academic year. Iowa Code §262.34B authorizes student fee committees on each campus to make recommendations for the distribution of revenue from student fees. The allocation proposals are consistent with the recommendations of the three committees.

Residence System Rates for the 2007-08 Academic Year – The Board will consider approval of the rates for the coming year. In accordance with Iowa Code §262.9(18), the student government leaders at the three universities were notified on March 9 about the proposed increases. The Board reviewed the proposed rates at the March meeting.

Non-Tuition-Related Miscellaneous Fees for FY 2008 – The Board will consider a number of miscellaneous fees. These include among many others transcript fees, fees for private music lessons, and dental instrument fees. As with the residence system rates noted above, the Board is required to notify student government leaders of the proposed fee increases at least 30 days prior to approval. The miscellaneous fees will be considered for approval at the June meeting.

Register of Capital Improvement Business Transactions –

The Board will consider authorizing the University of Iowa and the University of Iowa Hospitals and Clinics to proceed with project planning for the UIHC – Institute for Orthopaedics, Sports Medicine and Rehabilitation Development project. This project would consolidate in one location on the University's far west campus the multidisciplinary programs and services of the UI Sports Medicine Center and other rehabilitation services.

The Board will consider approval of the schematic design and project description and budget (\$6 million) for the Horticulture Greenhouse Replacement at Iowa State University.

The Board will consider approval of the schematic design and project and budget (\$8.5 million) for the Parking Deck and Transit Facility at the University of Northern Iowa. The project would construct a three-level parking deck in the northern portion of the campus and an enclosed transit facility. The project budget would include 80% from the Federal Transit Administration with the remainder coming from institutional resources.

Economic Development Topics –

The Board will review the progress on the Grow Iowa Values Fund and Batelle-funded projects the three universities.

Andy Baumert will report on the Iowa Power Fund and related legislation.

Tom Sharpe, SUI Associate Vice President for Economic Development, will lead the presentation on a public-private partnership to build a new technology incubator facility the Oakdale Research Park.

Internal Audit Activities – The Board will discuss the annual internal audit planning strategy and provide guidance to the Internal Audit Director and will receive a number of original and follow-up internal audit reports.

The Board will receive presentations on the following topics:

Mathematics and Science Collaborative Initiative – This initiative was created in response to the growing crisis in achievement by Iowa students in mathematics and science. President Ben Allen will discuss the mathematics and science teacher crises in pre-K through 12th grade education and the goals for improving the performance of Iowa students in mathematics and science.

History of The School of Art and Art History – Dr. Dorothy Johnson, Roy J. Carver Professor and Director of the School of Art and Art History, will provide a history of the school, show samples of work by graduates and faculty and describe the planning and completion of the new Art Building West. The building designed by Steven Holl won 2007 American Institute of Architects Award.

Iowa State University Extension – President Gregory Geoffroy will make a presentation on the ISU Extension.

Preliminary FY 2008 Salary Policies – The Board will hear presentations from various nonorganized faculty and staff groups relative to salaries for the coming year. It is anticipated final salary policies will be approved at the June meeting.

University Strategic Plan Progress Reports – In accordance with Board policy, the universities will provide the Board with progress reports on the strategic plans. The annual progress reports give the Regent institutions opportunity to address the degree to which they have advanced the Board's own strategic objectives.

The Honorable Chester A. Culver, Governor

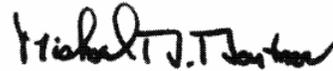
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In its role as Trustees of the University of Iowa Hospitals and Clinics, the Board will receive an informational report including a presentation on the University of Iowa Children's Hospital, the UIHC Vision for Ambulatory Care Access, and the proposed Institute of Orthopaedics, Sports Medicine and Rehabilitation. In addition, the proposed FY 2008 hospital rate increase of 6% will be discussed. Action on the proposed rate increase is scheduled for the Board's June meeting.

If we can provide additional information, please contact us.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Michael G. Gartner". The signature is written in a cursive, somewhat stylized font.

Michael G. Gartner

cc: Lt. Governor Patty Judge
Bob Mulqueen, Policy Director, Governor's Office
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