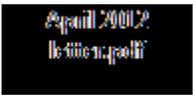

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April 19, 2012

The Honorable Terry Branstad, Governor
State of Iowa
State Capitol Building
Des Moines, IA 50319

Dear Governor Branstad:

This letter provides information about the meeting of the Board of Regents on April 25-26, 2012, at the University of Northern Iowa.

The meeting materials are available on the Regent website at the following address:

www.regents.iowa.gov/Meetings/DocketMemos/agendaitems.html

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

Audio streaming of the various committee meetings and the meeting of the full Board may be accessed through the Board of Regents website.

The Education and Student Affairs Committee chaired by Regent Mulholland will meet at 1 p.m. on April 25. The committee will consider various proposals relating to academic programs at the universities. The committee will also review the Annual Reports on Faculty Tenure (ESAC Agenda Items #11 and #12) and Student Graduation and Retention Rates (ESAC #12). Two items – the Annual Report on Financial Aid (ESAC Agenda Item #13) and the Annual Student Financial Aid Study (ESAC #14) will be discussed during the meeting of the full Board on the following day. The committee will consider a recommendation (ESAC #3) for the Executive Director to contact the Department of Management to begin the process to invoke Iowa Code §270.10 to study the feasibility of merging the Iowa School for the Deaf and the Iowa Braille and Sight Saving School.

President Ben Allen and College of Education Dean Dwight Watson will update the Education Committee and later the full Board relative to activities relating to the closure of the Malcolm Price Laboratory School at the University of Northern Iowa.

The Audit/Compliance and Investment Committee, chaired by Regent Evans, will meet following the Education Committee. Auditor of State Vautt will present the Comprehensive Annual Financial Report for the state and financial reports for the three universities. The Regents Chief

Audit Executive will discuss numerous internal audit reports. External audit reports relative to the graduate study centers will also be reviewed.

The meeting of the University of Iowa Hospitals and Clinics Committee will follow the Audit Committee. Regent Downer chairs the UIHC committee. The committee will receive the UIHC financial and operational performance report for the year to date and consider the FY 2013 budget.

The Board will consider in closed session requests for termination per Iowa Code §279.15 and §279.16 of two teachers at the Iowa School for the Deaf. Terminations are necessary to be responsive to anticipated reductions in the FY 2013 budget.

Board agenda items are summarized below:

In accordance with IAC 681—11.1, the Board will elect a president and president pro tem to serve two-year terms beginning May 1.

After receiving the Annual Governance Report on Faculty Tenure in 2011, the Board directed the Board Office to schedule a presentation on faculty tenure by an individual with a national perspective. Dr. Bill Tierney from the University of Southern California will discuss the history of tenure in the country, the role of technology with respect to faculty tenure and the role of tenure on Board policy. Dr. Tierney is Professor of Higher Education and Director of the Pullias Center for Higher Education at UCLA.

The Board will receive a report on the February 7 and March 28 meetings of the Economic Development Committee.

The Board will consider approval of the proposed rates for the university residence systems for the 2012-2013 academic year. In accordance with Iowa Code §262.9(18), the presiding officers of the student government organizations at each university were notified of the proposed rates on March 15. The Iowa Code requires student government groups be notified of the rate increases at least 30 days before action is taken. In March the Board reviewed the proposed rates along with the preliminary FY 2013 budgets and five-year plans. While the university residence systems offer many different room and board packages at a variety of rates, the Board has historically used the double occupancy room rate with full board as a comparative. The University of Iowa proposes a rate increase of 3.74%; Iowa State University, 1.33% and the University of Northern Iowa, 2.3% for the double occupancy/full board package. The residence and dining systems are self-supporting enterprises and do not receive state-appropriated funds for operations or capital improvements. More specifics on the rate proposal may be found in Agenda Item #11.

The Board will consider numerous actions relating to capital projects at the University of Iowa Capital Register (Agenda Item #12). Two projects included are (1) granting permission with planning for the vivarium spaces at Oakdale Campus/UI Research Park and in the Pappajohn Biomedical Discovery Building (2) approve the design and budget (\$36.6 million) for phase 2 of the football operations facility.

The Iowa State University Capital Register (Agenda Item #14) includes revised budgets for a project in Lagomarcino Hall for office remodeling due to the approval in December of the new School of Education. The budget for the Troxel Hall project – construction of

a new free standing building with a 400 seat auditorium – is revised due to expansion of the scope of work to include mechanical infrastructure work to bring campus utilities to the site.

As has been the practice for many years, the Board invited representatives from nonorganized faculty and staff employee groups to make presentations relative to FY 2013 salary issues.

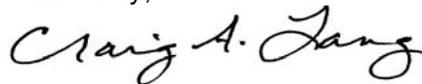
The Board will conduct three bond sales – two refundings of previously issued bonds and the sale of UNI dormitory revenue bonds and refunding of previously issued dormitory revenue bonds. The sale of new money dormitory revenue bonds will finance Phase 2 of the Redeker Center expansion at the University of Northern Iowa. More detail on the bond sales may be found in Agenda Items #16a, #16b, and #16c.

Regent Johnson will provide the Board an update of the student-led marketing initiative, “Universities for a Better Iowa”. The kick-off event was held at the Iowa State Fairgrounds on April 2. Since that time, a number of events have been held throughout state.

The Board will hear a presentation by Dr. Larry Escalada, Professor of Physics and Science Education at UNI. Dr. Escalada will describe UNI’s role as a STEM leader in undergraduate physics education and professional development.

If we can provide additional information, please contact us.

Sincerely,



Craig A. Lang

cc: Lt. Governor Kimberly Reynolds
Members of the Board of Regents, State of Iowa