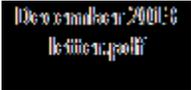

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November 19, 2013

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 December 4, 2013. The meeting will be held at Iowa State University in Ames. A number of the members of the Board will participate in the meeting via telephone.

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 meeting may be accessed through the Board of Regents website.

The Property and Facilities Committee chaired by Regent Dakovich will meet via telephone beginning at 9:30 a.m. The committee will consider two projects on the University of Iowa capital register (P&F Agenda Item #2). The first project will renovate the 3rd floor of the Medical Laboratories building which was constructed in 1927. The renovation will provide for a mouse metabolic phenotyping core facility to support increased diabetes-related research resulting from the establishment of the Fraternal Order of Eagles Diabetes Research Center. The estimated cost of \$3 million will be funded with treasurer's temporary investments and indirect cost recovery funds. The second project will develop a multidisciplinary procedure suite on the 5th floor of the Iowa River Landing. The project, estimated to cost \$8.3 million, will be funded with hospital building usage funds. The committee will review a lease amendment (P&F Agenda Item #4) which would extend the lease for an apartment building near the University of Iowa campus for an additional two years. The lease extension is important to bridge the gap before opening of the new west campus residence hall. The committee will consider the naming of the new School of Music Building in honor of the late Himie Voxman. Voxman joined the faculty of the School of Music in 1939 and served as the school's director from 1954 until his retirement in 1980.

The Education and Student Affairs Committee (ESAC) chaired by President Pro Tem Mulholland will meet at 10 a.m. in the Uelner Executive Board Room in Alumni Center. The committee will review professional development assignments (PDAs) for faculty for FY 2015 (ESAC Agenda Item #2). In total, 124 leaves are requested which is 1.6% of eligible faculty. More details on the requested PDAs at the three universities may be found in the agenda item and its attachments. It is estimated the replacement cost for these 124 PDAs is \$438,879. The committee will also review the reports of the PDAs approved for FY 2013. The attachments to ESAC Agenda Item #3 describe the activities of the faculty during their FY 2013 leaves. The report of FY 2013 PDAs indicates that while on professional development assignments a number of faculty received external grant funding which amounted to \$7.1 million. Other PDA recipients submitted grant proposals which are still pending.

The committee will review the annual report on the articulation efforts by the Iowa community colleges and the Regent institutions from October 2012 through September 2013 (ESAC Agenda Item #4). The report provides numerous details on the articulation efforts. Two noteworthy facts are that 1,000 individual agreements exist between Iowa community colleges and the Regent universities and that more than 10,000 students transfer credits annually from the community colleges to the Regent universities.

The committee will review the report (ESAC Agenda Item #6) to the General Assembly containing an update on the Iowa Research and Development Center for Educational Transformation at the University of Northern Iowa. The center stems from legislation (Senate File 470 – 2009). The center will offer a new model in which the state can address its research and development needs and engage in projects of national significance.

The committee will review a request (ESAC Agenda Item #6) from ISU to establish the Center for Arthropod Management Technologies in the College of Agriculture and Life Sciences. The purpose of the center is to streamline the efforts of industry, government and academia toward development of technologies for effective management of arthropod pests. The proposed center will be a new National Science Foundation Industry/University Cooperative Research Center. ISU will be the lead institution, and the University of Kentucky will be the sister institution. The center has seven industry members including Monsanto and DuPont Pioneer. More specifics on the center may be found in the agenda item.

The committee will consider requests from the University of Iowa to award honorary degrees as follows:

Leonard A. Hadley – Doctor of Humane Letters degree at Spring 2014 commencement
James E. Hansen – Doctor of Science degree at Spring 2014 commencement
Manuel Villafana – Doctor of Science degree at Spring 2014 commencement

More details on these three individuals may be found in ESAC Agenda Items 7, 8 and 9.

The University of Iowa Hospitals and Clinics Committee chaired by Regent Carroll will meet at 1 p.m. in the Alumni Center and will receive updates on operational and financial performance of the hospitals.

The Audit/Compliance and Investment Committee will meet at 1:20 p.m. to review the investment and cash management report for the quarter ended September 30, 2013. The committee is chaired by Regent Downer.

The Board's remaining agenda items are summarized below.

- Each of the institutional heads will provide the Board with a brief update on campus activities.
- The Board is asked to name the Cardiovascular Research Center at the University of Iowa as the François M. Abboud Cardiovascular Research Center. Dr. Abboud has devoted five decades to developing a world-class center of excellence in cardiovascular research and continues to be employed by the University of Iowa. More details on the naming of the center and Dr. Abboud may be found in Agenda Item #2d.
- The Board will consider approval of proposed tuition and fees for the 2014-2015 academic year (Agenda Item #5). At its September 2013 meeting, the Board reviewed proposed spending and funding plans supporting strategic goals to maximize available resources and approved the request for FY 2015 state appropriations. The requested 4% increase for General University operating support allows for inflation as projected by the Higher Education Price Index (HEPI) and advocates for a second year of no increase in tuition for undergraduate resident students. If this request is successful, it would be the first time since 1975 that tuition rates did not change for three years. At the October 2013 meeting, the proposal was first reviewed by the Board. At this meeting, representatives of the student government groups made presentations to the Board.

The Board of Regents is committed to working with the State to secure the requested additional appropriations. Based on funding actions of the legislature, tuition rates may be adjusted subsequent to the 2014 legislative session.

The universities are proposing increases as follows for nonresident undergraduate tuition: SUI – 1.8%; ISU – 1.74%; UNI – 2.5%. Other tuition for specific colleges or programs are outlined in the agenda item.

- The Board will receive bids for \$8,775,000 in Dormitory Revenue Bonds. The proceeds from the sale will be used to partially fund the construction and equipping the Fredericksen Court Expansion at ISU.

If we can provide additional information, please contact us.

Sincerely,



Bruce L. Rastetter

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