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The Board of Regents of the University of Nebraska met on June 5, 2004, at 8:30 a.m. in Private Dining Rooms A, B, and C, University of Nebraska Medical Center, 42nd and Emile Streets, Omaha, Nebraska, in publicly convened session, the same being open to the public and having been preceded by advance publicized notice, a copy of which is attached to the minutes of this meeting as Attachment 1.

In compliance with the provisions of Neb. Rev. Stat. Section 84-1411, printed notice of this meeting was sent to each member of the Board and was posted in the first floor lobby of Varner Hall. In addition, copies of such notice were sent to the Lincoln Journal Star, Daily Nebraskan, The Gateway

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**Regent Wilson presented the following resolution:**

Whereas, the University of Nebraska Outstanding Teaching and Instructional Creativity Award was established in 1992; and

Whereas, the purpose of this award is to recognize and honor individual faculty members who have developed meritorious and sustained records of excellence in teaching, including the use of innovative instructional methods and techniques; and

Whereas, the 2004 winners of the Outstanding Teaching and Instructional Creativity Award are Lisa Kelly-Vance, associate professor of psychology and director of the school psychology program at the University of Nebraska at Omaha, and Joy S. Ritchie, professor of English and women's studies at the University of Nebraska-Lincoln.

Now, therefore, be it resolved, that the University of Nebraska Board of Regents congratulates Lisa Kelly-Vance and Joy S. Ritchie on their receipt of this prestigious award, commends them for their outstanding teaching and innovative instructional techniques, and wishes them well in all their future endeavors.

**Regent Arnold presented the following resolution:**

Whereas, the University-wide Departmental Teaching Award was established in 1992 to recognize an academic unit within the University of Nebraska for its outstanding dedication to the education of students; and

Whereas, the criteria for this award include faculty efforts to promote good teaching, to contribute to scholarship on instruction, to provide effective student advising, and to engage in productive outreach efforts; and

Whereas, the 2004 winner of the University-wide Departmental Teaching award is the College of Nursing at the University of Nebraska Medical Center.

Now, therefore, be it resolved, that the University of Nebraska Board of Regents congratulates and commends the faculty and staff of the UNMC College of Nursing, and wishes them continued success in offering superlative education and support services to students.

**Regent Wilson presented the following resolution:**

Whereas, the Walter Scott Entrepreneurial Business award was created by the Board of Regents in 1999 to encourage businesses that operate in Nebraska to create partnerships and linkages with the University of Nebraska in the area of technology; and

Whereas, this award recognizes a business which has created innovative opportunities for students to explore a broad spectrum of practical experiences and helped the university provided students with skills, aptitudes, and competencies needed to meet the technological demands of business; and

Whereas, the 2004 winner of the Walter Scott Entrepreneurial Business Award is

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**Regent Blank presented the following resolution:**

Whereas, President L. Dennis Smith has diligently served the University of Nebraska with great distinction since 1994; and

Whereas, due to President Smith's leadership, the University of Nebraska's four campuses enjoy the benefit of coordinated legislative efforts and centralized information systems; and

Whereas, with his Commission on the Prioritization of Academic Programs, the University of Nebraska identified its programs of excellence and allocated funding for the maintenance and development of the highest quality programs even in times of restricted budgets; and

Whereas, recognizing the dire need for deferred maintenance of University of Nebraska facilities and its impact on recruitment, quality academic programs and state-of-the-art research, President Smith was instrumental in passing LB 1100 for deferred maintenance needs in 1998; and

Whereas, under President Smith's leadership, the \$727 million Campaign Nebraska established 95 endowed chairs and professorships, 918 scholarships and fellowships and the UNL Hixson-Lied College of Fine and Performing Arts, in addition to adding such campus landmarks as the Lied Transplant Center and the Durham Research Center; and

Whereas, President Smith has encouraged new partnerships with Nebraska business and industry through programs such as the UNO Peter Kiewit Institute and the UNL Gallup Leadership Institute; and

Whereas, competitive research funding has more than doubled at the University of Nebraska during President Smith's tenure; and

Whereas, President Smith has maintained and strengthened the land-grant mission of the University of Nebraska by taking a lead in developing a statewide telecommunications network in cooperation with the state of Nebraska.

Now, therefore be it resolved, that the University of Nebraska Board of Regents, congratulates L. Dennis Smith on his decade of outstanding service as President, bestows on him the title President Emeritus, and wishes him the best of luck in his retirement from administrative service.

President Smith thanked the Board for this honor.

Motion Moved by McClurg and seconded by Wilson to adopt the preceding resolutions.

Action Resolutions adopted by acclamation.

**IV. APPROVAL OF MINUTES AND RATIFICATION OF ACTIONS**

Motion Moved by Miller and seconded by Schroeder to approve the minutes and ratify the actions of the regularly scheduled meeting of April 24, 2004, and of the special emergency meeting of May 22, 2004.

Action Student Opinion: Aye: Chloupek, Croskey, and Arnold. Absent: Weichman. Voting Aye: Ferlic, Hawks, McClurg, Miller, Schroeder, Wilson, and Blank. Absent: Hassebrook. Voting Nay: None. Motion carried.

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V. **STRATEGIC OR POLICY ISSUE**

None.

VI. **HEARINGS**

**University of Nebraska-Lincoln**

New Appointment

Barbara Couture, Senior Vice Chancellor for Academic Affairs (Special), Professor (Continuous) English; effective 8/15/04, \$215,000 FY (includes \$7,500 administrative stipend), 1.00 FTE.

Leaves of Absence

Ram Bishu, Professor (Continuous) Industrial and Management Systems Engineering; Faculty Development Fellowship effective 08/16/04 to 01/02/05, \$89,717 AY, 1.00 FTE.

Istvan Bogardi, Professor (Continuous), Civil Engineering; leave with 51% pay effective 08/16/04 to 01/02/05, \$102,698 AY, 1.00 FTE.

**University of Nebraska Medical Center**

Leave of Absence

Joseph H. Sisson, Professor (Continuous) and Larson Professor of Internal Medicine (Special), Internal Medicine; Professor (Courtesy), Anesthesiology; and Professor (Courtesy), Physiology and Biophysics; Faculty Development Fellowship with full pay effective 01/01/05 to 06/30/05, \$103,017 FY, 1.00 FTE. (Expiration date of named professorship is 09/30/08.)

**University of Nebraska at Omaha**

Recommendation

Dorothy Willis, Interim Dean (Special) and Assistant Professor (Specific Term), Library; effective 07/01/04, \$72,507 FY (includes \$17,500 administrative stipend), 1.00 FTE. Change title to Interim Dean from Chairperson (until a permanent replacement is hired), and increase salary from \$62,507 FY.

Leaves of Absence

Janice S. Boyer, Dean (Special) and Professor (Continuous), Library; Leave of absence with pay effective 07/01/04 to 12/31/04, \$99,190 FY (present salary \$109,190 FY includes \$10,000 administrative stipend), 1.00 FTE.

Carol Ebdon, Associate Professor (Continuous), Public Administration; Leave of absence without pay effective 08/16/04 to 05/13/05, \$62,397 AY, 1.00 FTE.

- IX-A-2 Approve the request for outside employment at the University of Nebraska Medical Center for Rodney S. Markin, M.D., Ph.D.
- IX-A-3 Approve the request for outside employment at the University of Nebraska-Lincoln for Jim C. Holloway.
- IX-A-4 Approve the proposed departmental name change of the Department of Physiology and Biophysics in the College of Medicine to the Department of Cellular and Integrative Physiology.
- IX-A-5 Approve the proposed departmental name change of the Department of Ophthalmology in the College of Medicine to the Department of Ophthalmology and Visual Sciences.



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- X-B-1                    Approve the FY 2004-2005 University of Nebraska Operating Budget and reinstate allotment for committed carry forward funds already approved in the previous fiscal years.
- Discussion was held.
- Action                    Student Opinion: Aye: Chloupek, Croskey, and Arnold. Absent: Weichman. Voting Aye: Miller, Schroeder, Wilson, Blank, Ferlic, Hawks, and McClurg. Absent: Hassebrook. Voting Nay: None. Motion carried.
- Motion                    Moved by McClurg and seconded Blank to approve item X-B-2.
- X-B-2                    Approve the FY 2004-2005 Nebraska College of Technical Agriculture Operating Budget.
- Action                    Student Opinion: Aye: Croskey, Arnold, and Chloupek. Absent: Weichman. Voting Aye: Schroeder, Wilson, Blank, Ferlic, Hawks, McClurg, and Miller. Absent: Hassebrook. Voting Nay: None. Motion carried.
- Motion                    Moved by Hawks and seconded McClurg to approve item X-B-3.
- X-B-3                    Approve the 2005-2007 Biennial Capital Construction Budget Request for the University of Nebraska.
- Action                    Student Opinion: Aye: Arnold, Chloupek, and Croskey. Absent: Weichman. Voting Aye: Wilson, Blank, Ferlic, Hawks, McClurg, Miller, and Schroeder. Absent: Hassebrook. Voting Nay: None. Motion carried.
- Motion                    Moved by Miller and seconded Ferlic to approve item X-B-4.
- X-B-4                    Approve the 2005-2007 Biennial Capital Construction Budget Request for the Nebraska College of Technical Agriculture.
- Action                    Student Opinion: Aye: Arnold, Chloupek, a



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Action Student Opinion: Aye: Croskey, Arnold, and Chloupek. Absent: Weichman. Voting Aye: Hassebrook, Hawks, McClurg, Miller, Schroeder, Wilson, Blank, and Ferlic. Voting Nay: None. Motion carried.

Motion Moved by Miller and seconded Hawks to approve item X-B-7.

X-B-7 Approve amendment of the University of Nebraska Self-Insurance Program to include automobile coverages and to increase departmental deductibles, and authorize the Vice President for Business and Finance to approve technical amendments to the Statements of Self-insurance Coverage.

Discussion was held.

Action Student Opinion: Aye: Arnold, Chloupek, and Croskey. Absent: Weichman. Voting Aye: Hawks, McClurg, Miller, Schroeder, Wilson, Blank, Ferlic, and Hassebrook. Voting Nay: None. Motion carried.

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Motion Moved by Hawks and seconded McClurg to approve item X-B-8.

X-B-8 Approve a three-year agreement with First National of Nebraska (FNN) for a sponsorship of the intercollegiate athletic programs of the University of Nebraska-Lincoln.

Discussion was held.

Action Student Opinion: Aye: Arnold, Chloupek, and Croskey. Absent: Weichman. Voting Aye: McClurg, Miller, Schroeder, Wilson, Blank, Ferlic, Hassebrook, and Hawks. Voting Nay: None. Motion carried.

Motion Moved by Wilson and seconded McClurg to approve item X-B-9.

X-B-9 Approve the program statement for the University of Nebraska-Lincoln Nebraska Center for Virology Building.

Discussion was held.

Action Student Opinion: Aye: Chloupek, Croskey, and Arnold. Absent: Weichman. Voting Aye: Miller, Schroeder, Wilson, Blank, Ferlic, Hassebrook, Hawks, and McClurg. Voting Nay: None. Motion carried.

Motion Moved by McClurg and seconded Ferlic to approve item X-B-10.

X-B-10 Approve the program statement for the University of Nebraska-Lincoln Modular Biological-Safety Level 3 Laboratory.

Discussion was held.

Action Student Opinion: Aye: Croskey, Arnold, and Chloupek. Absent: Weichman. Voting Aye: Schroeder, Wilson, Blank, Ferlic, Hassebrook, Hawks, McClurg, and Miller. Voting Nay: None. Motion carried.

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Motion Moved by Ferlic and seconded McClurg to approve item X-B-11.

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X-B-11                      Approve the team of HDR Architecture, Inc. and RDG Planning and Design Architects to provide design services for the construction of the UNMC Center for Health Science Education (CHSE) Building.

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also stated he has agreement from J.B.'s attorney that clarifying language will be added in Section 15 of the contract. It will be a requirement that he must commit to return to the faculty at the time of resignation in order to get the professional development leave.

Further discussion was held.