

MINUTES OF A SPECIAL MEETING  
THE UNIVERSITY OF OKLAHOMA BOARD OF REGENTS  
FEBRUARY 15 AND 16, 1978

A special meeting of The University of Oklahoma Board of Regents was held in Room 612 of the University of Oklahoma Tulsa Medical College, Tulsa, Oklahoma on February 15, 1978, beginning at 1:00 p.m.

Notice of time, date, and place of this meeting were submitted to the Secretary of State as required by Enrolled House Bill 1416 (1977 Legislature).

The following were present: Regent Thomas R. Brett, President of the Board, presiding; Regents Bob G. Mitchell, M.D., K. D. Bailey, Richard A. Bell, and Charles E. Engleman.

Absent: Regents Dee A. Replogle, Jr. and Ronald H. White, M.D.

The following were also present: Dr. Paul F. Sharp, President of the University, Provost William G. Thurman, Dr. Stephen H. Van Hauen, Mr. Joseph C. Ray, Executive Assistant to the President, and Mrs. Barbara H. James, Executive Secretary of the Board of Regents.

Mr. Brett stated the purpose of the special meeting was to revise the criteria for the selection of a President and to appoint the Presidential Search Committee. Because weather had delayed the arrival of two Regents from Oklahoma City, Regent Brett entertained a motion to recess the special meeting, with the meeting to be reconvened on February 16 at 10:30 a.m. in Room 614 of the Tulsa Medical College. Regent Engleman moved to recess the special meeting and reconvene in the morning at 10:30 a.m. as suggested by Regent Brett. The following voted yes on the motion: Regents Brett, Mitchell, Bailey, Bell, and Engleman. The Chair declared the motion unanimously approved.

The meeting recessed at 1:07 p.m.

The meeting reconvened at 10:55 a.m. on February 16, 1978 in Room 614 of the Tulsa Medical College. The following Regents were present at the reconvened meeting: Regent Thomas R. Brett, President of the Board, presiding; Regents Bob G. Mitchell, M.D., K. D. Bailey, Richard A. Bell, Dee A. Replogle, Jr., Charles E. Engleman, and Ronald H. White, M.D.

The following also were present: Dr. Paul F. Sharp, President of the University; Provosts Thurman and Uehling; Vice Presidents Burr, Morris, and White; Interim Vice President Van Hauen; Mr. Joseph C. Ray, Executive Assistant to the President; Mr. R. Boyd Gunning, University Trust Officer; and Mrs. Barbara H. James, Executive Secretary of the Board of Regents.

Regent Brett welcomed the Regents and the University of Oklahoma staff to Tulsa. He said he is most pleased to have everybody here. He thanked the University of Oklahoma Tulsa Medical College for the use of their facilities for our meetings on these two days.

Regent Replogle suggested the Criteria for the Selection of a President as approved at the meeting on January 19 be revised to remove the item requiring that the individual be between the ages of 30 to 60. He suggested also that another of the qualifications, "several years of successful administration in a position involving broad responsibilities, which may or may not include academic administration and teaching in a college faculty" be revised to read "several years of successful administration in a position involving broad responsibilities, which should but need not include academic administration and teaching in a college faculty".

With other revisions not of a substantive nature, Regent Relogle moved adoption of the following Criteria for the Selection of a President:

The University of Oklahoma is seeking a President for the University. The President serves as the Chief Executive Officer of the institution. Such a person should possess the exceptional drive and stamina needed to lead a major University. There are certain personal and professional characteristics deemed preferable.

The next President should be a person who is progressive and sensitive to the changing needs and aspirations of the various groups which comprise the University community and one who will be articulate and effective in expressing these needs to others both within and without the University. The President must be able to see that the rules of the University are enforced and, at the same time, strive to insure free expression and the basic principles of academic freedom.

The next President should understand and be able to articulate the institution in all of its aspects, including but not necessarily limited to academics, financial, social, political, student, faculty, alumni, and public relations. The President should recognize the roles and responsibilities of the Faculty Senates, the University of Oklahoma Student Association, the Employee Executive Council, and the Employee Liaison Council in the governance of the University, in accordance with procedures approved by the University of Oklahoma Board of Regents.

Finally, the President should be a person who is decisive in nature with integrity, dignity, and compassion.

There are certain professional qualifications that are deemed necessary. These qualifications are:

1. an earned advanced degree;

2. several years of successful administration in a position involving broad responsibilities, which should but need not include academic administration and teaching in a college faculty.

The following voted yes on the motion: Regents Brett, Mitchell, Bailey, Bell, Replogle, Engleman, and White. The Chair declared the motion unanimously approved.

Regent Brett stated in reference to the appointment of the Presidential Search Committee, that as President of the Board of Regents he would like to recommend the following for approval: the Presidential Search Committee will consist of 13 voting members and three non-voting alternates. The alternates would be expected to be present but would vote only when their counterpart of their constituent group is absent. Regent Brett proposed the following composition of the Search Committee:

Norman Campus Faculty (voting)

Eugene Kuntz  
A. J. Kondonassis  
David W. Levy

Norman Campus Faculty Alternates (non-voting)

Martin Jischke  
David Golden

Health Sciences Center Faculty (voting)

Donald T. Counihan

Health Sciences Center Volunteer Faculty (voting)

A. N. Vammen, M.D., Tulsa

Staff (voting)

Anona Adair

Students (voting)

Peggy Culver (HSC)  
Tim Hightower (NC)

At-Large (voting)

Dean A. McGee, Oklahoma City

Alumni (voting)

Barry Galt, Tulsa  
Frank A. Schultz, Dallas

Alumni Alternate (non-voting)

Carl Edwards, Oklahoma City

Regents

Thomas R. Brett, Tulsa  
Dee A. Replogle, Jr., Oklahoma City

Barbara H. James  
Secretary of the Committee  
(Ex-officio - non-voting)

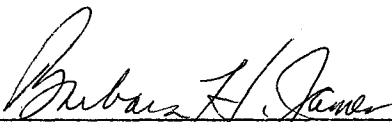
Regent Brett entertained a motion approving the suggested Search Committee. Regent Engleman moved approval. The following voted yes on the motion: Regents Brett, Mitchell, Bailey, Bell, Replogle, Engleman, and White. The Chair declared the motion unanimously approved.

Regent Brett stated it is contemplated the first meeting of the Search Committee will be held on the Norman Campus on February 21 at 4:00 p.m.

Regent Bailey moved that Dr. Eugene O. Kuntz be designated Chair of the Search Committee and that Regent Brett be designated Co-Chair of the Search Committee. The following voted yes on the motion: Regents Brett, Mitchell, Bailey, Bell, Replogle, Engleman, and White. The Chair declared the motion unanimously approved.

Regent Brett stated that it is contemplated that the initial portion of the first meeting of the Search Committee which will be held with the Board of Regents will be open, but since the Search is a personnel matter it is anticipated that all subsequent meetings will be in Executive Session.

The special meeting adjourned at 11:05 a.m.

  
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Barbara H. James  
Executive Secretary of the Board of Regents