MINUTES OF A SPECIAL MEETING THE UNIVERSITY OF OKLAHOMA BOARD OF REGENTS JUNE 1, 1992

A special meeting of the Board of Regents of The University of Oklahoma was held in Lecture Room 299 of the Robert M. Bird Health Sciences Library Building on the Oklahoma City Campus of the University beginning at 1:00 p.m. on Monday, June 1, 1992.

The following Regents were present: Regent E. Murray Gullatt, Chairman of the Board, presiding; Regents Ada Lois Sipuel Fisher, C. S. Lewis III, and Melvin C. Hall.

Absent: Regents J. Cooper West and G. T. Blankenship.

Others attending all or a part of the meeting included Dr. Richard L. Van Horn, President of the University, Vice Presidents Fred J. Bennett and Jerry B. Farley, Mr. Fred Gipson, Mr. Robert P. White, Dr. Chris Purcell, Executive Secretary of the Board of Regents, and Mrs. Karen Thrailkill, Assistant Secretary of the Board of Regents.

Those attending this meeting from Cameron University were Dr. Don Davis, President of Cameron University, Dr. Terral McKellips, Vice President for Academic Affairs, Mrs. Louise Brown, Vice President for Student Affairs, Dr. Don Sullivan, Vice President for Development, Mr. John Sterling, Comptroller, and Mr. Paul McClung, Director of Public Information.

Notice of the time, date, and place of this meeting was submitted to the Secretary of State, and the agenda was posted in the Office of the Board of Regents on or before 1:00 p.m. on May 29, 1992, both as required by 25 O.S. 1981, Section 301-314.

This meeting was held as a result of passage of House Bill 2246 on May 21 transferring the governance, supervision, management and control of Cameron University from the Board of Regents for Oklahoma Agricultural and Mechanical Colleges to the jurisdiction of the Board of Regents of The University of Oklahoma effective June 1, 1992. Governor David Walters signed the Bill on May 28 at University Theatre on the Cameron University Campus in Lawton, Oklahoma.

Chairman Gullatt called the meeting to order and said The University of Oklahoma Board of Regents is pleased to welcome Cameron University -- including its students, faculty, staff and alumni -- to The University of Oklahoma community. Cameron and OU share common interests and the mission of providing high quality education to the people of Oklahoma. Some of OU's distinguished alumni also attended Cameron, and a number of Cameron faculty members earned degrees from OU. Through the years, OU has maintained a close working relationship with Cameron personnel through a variety of academic and

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public service programs. These existing bonds are further strengthened by the new relationship between Cameron University and The University of Oklahoma. Mr. Gullatt said he is pleased that OU has been given this opportunity to underscore its commitment to Southwest Oklahoma.

President Davis responded that he and his staff are pleased to be here. He said Cameron and OU have worked in concert in the past and Cameron looks forward to continuing the relationship.

President Van Horn said he is delighted that OU's links with Lawton will now be strengthened by this link with Cameron University and everyone looks forward to working with President Davis and his staff.

BUDGET AND PERSONNEL RATIFICATION

Pursuant to H.B. 2246 passed by the Oklahoma State Legislature on May 21, 1992 and signed by Governor David Walters on May 28, 1992 the governance, supervision, management and control of Cameron University was transferred from the Board of Regents for Oklahoma Agricultural and Mechanical Colleges to the Board of Regents for The University of Oklahoma. The effective date of the legislation is June 1, 1992.

To provide for an orderly transition from one board to the other, ratification of the budget and continued employment of all personnel is deemed necessary and appropriate.

President Davis recommended that the Board of Regents ratify the 1991-92 budget for Cameron University previously approved by the Board of Regents for the Oklahoma Agricultural and Mechanical Colleges and ratify the employment and appointment of faculty and staff heretofore approved and employed by the Board of Regents for the Oklahoma Agricultural and Mechanical Colleges.

Regent Lewis moved approval of the recommendation. The following voted yes on the motion: Regents Gullatt, Fisher, Lewis, and Hall. The Chair declared the motion unanimously approved.

POLICIES FOR CAMERON UNIVERSITY

The background information provided with Agenda Item 1 is applicable to this item and necessitates this action. In the absence of Board action, Cameron University would not have policies to govern the day-to-day operations of the University due to the fact it has heretofore been operating under the policies of the Board of Regents for the Oklahoma Agricultural and Mechanical Colleges.

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It is understood that certain of the policies presently contained in the Policy Manual have specific applicability to The University of Oklahoma. In time specific policies will be developed for Cameron University, but during the interim the Policy Manual will be adopted for Cameron.

President Davis recommended that the Board of Regents adopt the Policy Manual of the Board of Regents as the official policy manual on an interim basis for Cameron University effective June 1, 1992, with the exception that the current policies of Cameron University governing appointment of faculty and staff, fringe benefits, retirement, leaves of absence, student activities and athletics shall continue during the same interim.

Regent Hall moved approval of the recommendation. The following voted yes on the motion: Regents Gullatt, Fisher, Lewis, and Hall. The Chair declared the motion unanimously approved.

CURRENT BENEFITS FOR UNIVERSITY FACULTY AND STAFF

The background outlined for Agenda Item 1 is also applicable to this item. It is the desire to continue the appropriate employee benefits which have heretofore been granted to faculty and staff. This is a subject matter that will be studied in more detail in the immediate future when time permits an analysis of the current benefits package at The University of Oklahoma and what has been approved for Cameron University by the Board of Regents for the Oklahoma Agricultural and Mechanical Colleges.

President Davis recommended that the Board of Regents approve on an interim basis the current benefits package for the faculty and staff and authorize the administration to take the necessary steps to continue those benefits.

Regent Lewis moved approval of the recommendation. The following voted yes on the motion: Regents Gullatt, Fisher, Lewis, and Hall. The Chair declared the motion unanimously approved.

EXCEPTIONS PROCEDURE

As previously stated, the Policy Manual was enacted for the purpose of enacting policies and procedures for The University of Oklahoma. Certain of these policies may be in conflict with a matter that has been commenced or which needs to be undertaken that is in the best interest of Cameron University and should, in the prudent management of Cameron University, be permitted as an exception to the Policy Manual.

An exceptions procedure for the Chairman, or the Vice Chairman in his absence, is recommended.

President Davis recommended that the Board of Regents authorize the Chairman, and in his absence the Vice Chairman, to grant exceptions to the policies and procedures which have been adopted in Agenda Items 1, 2, and 3.

Regent Fisher moved approval of the recommendation. The following voted yes on the motion: Regents Gullatt, Fisher, Lewis, and Hall. The Chair declared the motion unanimously approved.

CONTRACT SERVICES

There are a number of services, such as internal auditing and legal representation, that are currently provided by the Board of Regents for the Oklahoma Agricultural and Mechanical Colleges.

This item would authorize a contract with The University of Oklahoma to provide those services to Cameron University at appropriate reimbursement rates.

President Davis recommended that the Board of Regents authorize him to contract services required by Cameron University that are currently provided by the Board of Regents for the Oklahoma Agricultural and Mechanical Colleges.

Regent Lewis moved approval of the recommendation. The following voted yes on the motion: Regents Gullatt, Fisher, Lewis, and Hall. The Chair declared the motion unanimously approved.

President Davis provided the Regents with background and history on the establishment of Cameron and introduced his staff members to the Board. Each staff member spoke briefly about their area and responsibilities.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 1:49 p.m.

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Executive Secretary of the Board of Regents