

**MINUTES OF A SPECIAL MEETING
THE UNIVERSITY OF OKLAHOMA BOARD OF REGENTS
MAY 7, 1996**

A special meeting of the Board of Regents governing The University of Oklahoma and Cameron University was called to order in Room 224 of the Robert M. Bird Health Sciences Library Building on the Oklahoma City Campus of the University on Tuesday, May 7, 1996, beginning at 2:52 p.m.

The following Regents were present: Regent G. T. Blankenship, Chairman of the Board, presiding; Regents Stephen F. Bentley, Melvin C. Hall, Donald B. Halverstadt, M.D., C. S. Lewis III, and Robin Siegfried.

Absent: Regent Mary Jane Noble.

Others attending the meeting included Mr. David L. Boren, President of The University of Oklahoma, and Dr. Chris A. Purcell, Executive Secretary of the Board of Regents.

**ACCEPTANCE OF RESIGNATION OF DIRECTOR OF ATHLETICS
APPOINTMENT OF INTERIM DIRECTOR OF ATHLETICS**

Regent Halverstadt moved the Board meet in executive session for the purpose of discussing personnel-related issues as listed above. The following voted yes on the motion: Regents Bentley, Hall, Halverstadt, Lewis, and Siegfried. The Chair declared the motion unanimously approved.

The executive session began at 2:53 p.m. in the President's Office within the Provost's Office suite in Robert M. Bird Library and concluded at 3:12 p.m.

The Regents reconvened in regular session at 3:13 p.m. in Conference Room 224.

ACCEPTANCE OF RESIGNATION OF DIRECTOR OF ATHLETICS

Regent Hall moved the Board of Regents accept the resignation of Donnie Duncan as Athletic Director, effective May 7, 1996 with the final terms to be resolved by the President, Donnie Duncan, and the Chairman of the Board of Regents and with the President authorized to execute any documents related thereto. The following voted yes on the motion: Regents Bentley, Hall, Halverstadt, Lewis, and Siegfried. The Chair declared the motion unanimously approved.

APPOINTMENT OF INTERIM DIRECTOR OF ATHLETICS

Regent Lewis moved that Lawrence E. Naifeh, Legal Counsel and Director of Compliance for Athletic Department, be given the additional title of Interim Director of Athletics; salary changed from annual rate of \$60,745 for 12 months to annual rate of \$87,500 for 12 months, effective May 7, 1996, and that an exception be made to Regents' Policy 1.15 to allow Mr. Naifeh to be a candidate for Director of Athletics.

The following voted yes on the motion: Regents Bentley, Hall, Halverstadt, Lewis, and Siegfried. The Chair declared the motion unanimously approved.

APPOINTMENT OF SEARCH COMMITTEE FOR DIRECTOR OF ATHLETICS

Regent Siegfried moved the appointment of a Search Committee for a Director of Athletics. Chairman Blankenship read the following list of those people proposed for participation as members of the Search Committee:

- E. Murray Gullatt, Committee Chairman
Former OU Regent
- Stephen F. Bentley
Vice Chairman, OU Regents
- Donald B. Halverstadt, M.D.
OU Regent
- C. S. Lewis III
OU Regent
- David L. Boren
President
- George Henderson
Dean, College of Liberal Studies
- Steve Owens
Businessman and former OU Football Player
- Marita Hynes
Associate Athletic Director and Senior Women's Administrator
- Two additional people to be announced by the President upon their acceptance to serve on the Committee

Chairman Blankenship also presented those proposed to serve on a Coaches' Advisory Committee to assist with the process:

- Kelvin Sampson
Head Coach, Men's Basketball
- John Blake
Head Coach, Football
- Larry Cochell
Head Coach, Baseball
- Sherri Coale
Head Coach, Women's Basketball
- Patty Gasso
Head Coach, Women's Softball


The Chairman read the Charge to the Search Committee. The Search Committee shall be charged with developing and forwarding the names of persons, at least three in number, who in their judgment are sufficiently qualified to be considered by the President and the Board of Regents for appointment as Athletic Director. The Coaches' Advisory Committee shall informally suggest names and desirable qualifications of potential candidates and shall render informal advice to the Committee as to qualifications of those under serious consideration.

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The following voted yes on the motion: Regents Bentley, Hall, Halverstadt, Lewis, and Siegfried. The Chair declared the motion unanimously approved.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 3:16 p.m.


Chris A. Purcell
Executive Secretary of the Board of Regents