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April 18, 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 April 24-25, 2013. The meeting will be held at the University of Northern Iowa in Cedar Falls.

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 Education and Student Affairs Committee meeting will convene at 1:30 p.m. on April 24. Agenda highlights include the review of the annual report on faculty tenure and numerous programmatic changes and receiving presentations. The committee will consider the establishment of the Center for Child Health Improvement and Innovation. The purpose of the proposed center is to assist the state to integrate and improvement of the disability and mental health system for children in Iowa. The center, funded entirely by external sources, will provide the child health community in Iowa with the knowledge, skills, tools and resources to improve service delivery for children with serious emotional disorders who are eligible for Medicaid. The project will be funded through a multi-year contract with Magellan of Iowa. More specifics on the proposed center may be found in ESAC Agenda Item #6. The committee will also consider tenure recommendations for 188 faculty for the upcoming academic year. In total at the three universities, there are 3,531 tenured and tenure track faculty.

The University of Iowa Hospitals and Clinics Committee, chaired by Regent Downer, will meet following the ESAC. The committee will receive the year-to-date operational and financial report by hospital leadership and consider the FY 2014 operating budget which includes a proposed 6% rate increase.

The Audit/Compliance and Investment Committee, chaired by Regent Evans, will meet to receive numerous internal audit reports. Auditor of State Vaudt will discuss a number of state audit reports including the Comprehensive Annual Financial Report for the state along with financial reports for the three state universities. Representatives of audit firms will report on external audits for Iowa Public Radio, the Quad-Cities Graduate Study Center and the Siouxland Interstate Metropolitan Planning Council which includes the Tri-State Graduate Center.

The full Board will meet beginning at 9 a.m. on April 25. Agenda items are summarized below:

During the time allotted for the President's report, Michael Appel, President of the Executive Council of Graduate and Professional Students at the University of Iowa, will discuss ways to keep graduate and professional students in Iowa after graduation.

Each of the institutional heads will provide the board with a brief update on campus activities.

The Board will receive two reports relating to student financial aid. The first, the annual report on student financial aid, indicates undergraduate and graduate students at the three universities received financial aid amounting to \$1,023,523,284 in 2011-12. Approximately 56% of the aid came from federal sources; 37% from institutional funds; 0.6% from state funds; and 7% from other sources. More details may be found in the full report at Agenda Item #6.

The annual Regent Student Financial Aid Study (Agenda Item #7) provides information regarding the socio-economic status of students who receive financial aid at the Regent universities. The report indicates 23,956 full-time, resident, undergraduate FAFSA filers who received and accepted financial aid. This is a 2.3% decrease from the prior year.

The University of Iowa capital register includes the approval of schematic design, project description and budget for the Hawkeye Tennis and Recreation Complex – Indoor Turf Addition. The university is also requesting approval to raze the Housing Services building which is located on the site of the addition. The \$15 million project will be funded through a combination of Athletics gifts/earnings and Treasurer's Temporary Investment Income. The university is also requesting approval of a revised project budget and the contract award to McComas-Lacina Construction LC, Iowa City, for the development of shelled-in space on levels 7 and 8 of the John Colloton and John Pappajohn Pavilions. More information on these projects may be found in Agenda Item #11.

The University of Iowa is requesting approval of a new scoreboard and sound system for Kinnick Stadium. The project includes a large screen video display system within the existing south end zone structure, video displays in the northeast and northwest end zone corners and ribbon display above the seating along the north side of the stadium to display game information, video, scores and advertising. The total project is estimated to cost approximately \$8.0 million which includes \$4.5 million for the video display system in addition to control room equipment, sound system equipment and the infrastructure needed for installation of all components. The project will be financed through a master lease agreement. The loan will be repaid by Athletics Department gifts and earnings over no more than a five-year period. No university general fund dollars or state appropriations would be used for this project. More detail on the project may be found in Agenda Item #13.

The Board will consider approval of the academic year 2013-2014 proposed rates for room and board at the universities. As required by <u>lowa Code</u>, the rate increases were discussed at the March meeting along with the annual reports and residence system budgets. The residence systems are self-supporting operations and do not receive state appropriations for operations or capital improvements. The universities provide numerous room and board options to students. Rate increases for double room with primary meal plans are 3.66% for SUI and 2.9% for UNI. No increases are proposed at ISU. Agenda Item #10 contains details on the rate proposals.

The Board will consider approval of two leases for off-campus housing at Iowa State University for a one-year period beginning August 1, 2013. The lease of these facilities will help alleviate the need for housing at ISU. As of April 1, 2013, ISU had more than 1,200 requests for beds above the capacity of the Department of Residence. The leased units would temporarily add 503 bed spaces to the residence system. More information on these properties may be found in Agenda Item #20.

The Board will receive bids for four series of refunding bonds for Iowa State University and the University of Northern Iowa totaling slightly more than \$30 million. Projections indicate that the present value savings from the refundings will be approximately \$2.8 million.

The Board will receive an oral update on the activities of the Regents Transparency Task Force by Regent Nicole Carroll who serves as chair of the group.

A report from representatives of the University of Iowa will update the Board on flood recovery status. Since the last report to the Board, the university has been notified by the State of responses from FEMA to State/UI requests. More details on the flood recovery report may be found in Agenda Item #17.

Keeping with the Board's longstanding practice, the Executive Director invited nonorganized faculty and staff groups to make brief presentations to the Board relating to salary issues for FY 2014.

The Board will receive a presentation by Matthew Wilson, a marketing instructor at UNI, on a new marketing course which empowers students of many disciplines to work on a real marketing challenge for a national brand to produce an integrated advertising campaign to solve that challenge.

Outgoing Regents and UNI President Ben Allen will be recognized at a special luncheon on the second day of the meeting.

Newly confirmed Regent Dr. Sahai has been invited to the meeting and has received the agenda materials.

If we can provide additional information, please contact us.

Sincerely,

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cc: Lt. Governor Kimberly Reynolds

Members of the Board of Regents, State of Iowa

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