

**KANSAS BOARD OF REGENTS**  
**MINUTES OF SPECIAL MEETING**  
December 7-9, 2011

The December 7, 2011, special meeting of the Kansas Board of Regents was called to order by Chairman Ed McKechnie at 6:00 p.m. The meeting was held in Board offices located in the Curtis State Office Building, 1000 S.W. Jackson, Suite 520, Topeka. Proper notice was given according to law.

MEMBERS PRESENT:

- Ed McKechnie, Chairman
- Tim Emert, Vice Chairman
- Christine Downey-Schmidt
- Mildred Edwards
- Fred Logan
- Dan Lykins
- Robba Moran
- Janie Perkins
- Kenny Wilk

**EXECUTIVE SESSION**

At 6:00 p.m., Regent Emert moved, followed by the second of Regent Perkins, to recess into executive session for 1 hour and 30 minutes to discuss personnel matters of non-elected personnel. Participating in the executive session were members of the Board, President Tompkins, Deryl Wynn, and Katherine Will. At 7:30 p.m., the meeting returned to open session and Regent Downey-Schmidt moved to extend for 45 minutes. Regent Logan seconded and the motion carried. At 8:15 p.m., the meeting returned to open session.

**RECESS**

Chairman McKechnie recessed the meeting at 8:15 p.m.

**RECONVENE**

Chairman McKechnie reconvened the meeting at 8:15 a.m. on Thursday, December 8.

MEMBERS PRESENT:

- Ed McKechnie, Chairman
- Tim Emert, Vice Chairman
- Christine Downey-Schmidt
- Mildred Edwards
- Fred Logan
- Dan Lykins
- Robba Moran
- Janie Perkins
- Kenny Wilk

**EXECUTIVE SESSION**

At 8:15 a.m., Regent Emert moved, followed by the second of Regent Perkins, to recess into executive session at 8:30 a.m. in Kathy Rupp Conference Room for 4 hours and 30 minutes to discuss personnel matters of non-elected personnel. Participating in the executive session were members of the Board, President Tompkins, and candidates for the position of president of Emporia State University. At 1:00 p.m., the meeting returned to open session.

**BREAK**

Chairman McKechnie called for a break at 1:00 p.m. and resumed the meeting at 2:00 p.m.

**EXECUTIVE SESSION**

At 2:00 p.m., Regent Emert moved, followed by the second of Regent Perkins, to recess into executive session for 4 hours to discuss personnel matters of non-elected personnel. Participating in the executive session were members of the Board, President Tompkins, and candidates for the position of president of Emporia State University. At 6:00 p.m., the meeting returned to open session. At 6:00 p.m., Regent Emert moved, followed by the second of Regent Wilk, to extend the executive session for 15 minutes. At 6:15 p.m., the meeting returned to open session.

**RECESS**

Chairman McKechnie recessed the meeting at 6:15 p.m.

**RECONVENE**

Chairman McKechnie reconvened the meeting at 9:30 a.m. on Friday, December 9 in the Albert Taylor Hall on the Emporia State University campus.

**MEMBERS PRESENT:**

Ed McKechnie, Chairman  
Tim Emert, Vice Chairman  
Christine Downey-Schmidt  
Mildred Edwards  
Fred Logan  
Dan Lykins  
Robba Moran  
Janie Perkins  
Kenny Wilk

**NAMING EMPORIA STATE UNIVERSITY 16<sup>TH</sup> PRESIDENT**

Chairman McKechnie noted that naming a president of a university is one of the most important jobs of the Board of Regents. He thanked the members of the Emporia State University presidential search committee for their dedication and hard work throughout the search process, and he thanked Interim President H. Edward Flentje.

Regent Edwards moved that Dr. Michael Shonrock be hired as the 16<sup>th</sup> President of Emporia State University and that the Board direct the Chair, Vice Chair and the President and CEO of the Board of Regents to negotiate the compensation package and sign the letter of agreement. Regent Emert seconded, and the motion carried.

Chairman McKechnie introduced Dr. Michael Shonrock as the 16<sup>th</sup> President of Emporia State University. Dr. Shonrock thanked the Board of Regents, the ESU search committee members, and the ESU community. He stated he and his wife, Karen, are excited and honored to become part of the ESU and Emporia communities, and citizens of the great state of Kansas.

**ADJOURNMENT**

At 9:40 a.m., Regent Emert moved to adjourn the meeting and Regent Perkins seconded. The motion carried.

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Andy Tompkins, President and CEO

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Ed McKechnie, Chair