

KANSAS BOARD OF REGENTS
MINUTES OF SPECIAL MEETING
March 29, 2018

The Kansas Board of Regents met by conference call on Thursday, March 29, 2018. Chair Dave Murfin called the meeting to order at 11:00 a.m. Proper notice was given according to law.

MEMBERS PRESENT: Dave Murfin, Chair
 Dennis Mullin, Vice Chair
 Shane Bangerter
 Ann Brandau-Murguia
 Bill Feuerborn
 Zoe Newton
 Daniel Thomas
 Helen Van Etten

MEMBER ABSENT: Joe Bain

HONORARY DEGREE – KU

Executive Vice Chancellor Simari stated the University of Kansas nominated Dr. Richard Weinshilbourn for an honorary Doctor of Science degree. Regent Van Etten moved to approve, and Regent Thomas seconded. The motion carried. The degree will be conferred at the May 2018 commencement.

HONORARY DEGREE – KSU

Provost Mason, on behalf of Kansas State University and President Myers, nominated Dr. George “Bud” Peterson to receive an honorary doctorate degree from Kansas State University. Regent Mullin moved to approve, and Regent Feuerborn seconded. The motion carried. The degree will be conferred at the May 2018 commencement.

APPOINTMENTS TO THE GOVERNOR’S EDUCATION COUNCIL

President Flanders reported the Board has two appointments to the Governor’s Education Council. Regent Feuerborn moved to approve the appointments of Regent Thomas and Regent Van Etten. Regent Newton seconded and the motion carried.

AMEND AGENDA

The Chair amended the agenda to add a legislative update at the conclusion of all other items.

UNIVERSITY CEO COMPENSATION FOR FY 2019

Regent Mullin stated that present CEO salaries have been reviewed and are within the range of their current peers and the market level. This being the case, and in light of the state’s financial circumstances and the relatively recent CEO appointments in many cases, he moved that there be no increase to base salary for the state university presidents or chancellor for Fiscal Year 2019, but that the Board direct Regent Bain and President Flanders to explore appropriate deferred compensation arrangements with the CEOs who do not currently have that benefit, to be paid from

private funds in accordance with the Board's policy on CEO compensation. Regent Newton seconded, and the motion carried.

LEGISLATIVE UPDATE

Matt Casey, Director of Government Relations, provided a legislative update. The House and Senate are focused on complying with the court mandate to address the K-12 funding issues before first adjournment, which is Friday, April 6. The two chambers are also working on their budget bills. Director Casey discussed the progress of the Board's top priority to restore the FY 2017 allotment. The Senate's budget bill includes restoring 75 percent of the allotment and the House has not include the restoration in its budget bill. This item will be discussed when the Legislature returns for veto session. Director Casey also reviewed the progress on Emporia State University's nursing program funding, performance base funding, and the Excel in CTE funding.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 12:45 p.m.

Blake Flanders, President and CEO

David L. Murfin, Chair