



**DRAFT Minutes of the Meeting of the Open
Meeting of the
Board of Regents of
Northwest Missouri State University**

The Board of Regents of Northwest Missouri State University met on Thursday, March 26, 2009, by telephone, at 9 a.m., after notice was duly given to each member of the Board.

The following members of the Board were present by telephone: Mr. Bill Loch, president of the Board; Mrs. Rita Hanks; Mr. Doug Sutton; Ms. Lydia Hurst; Ms. Rachelle Brown; Mr. Gary Panethiere, Dr. Douglas Wyckoff. Mr. Don Schneider, vice president of the Board, was absent. Counsel Scott J. Sullivan and John B. Reddoch of the firm Kuhlman, Reddoch & Sullivan, P.C., also participated by telephone as did Dr. Dean L. Hubbard, president of the University. Orrie Covert, vice president of university advancement; Jon Rickman, vice president for information systems; Ray Courter, vice president of finance and support services; Kirk Wayman, KXCIV; and Anthony Brown, University Relations; were present in the President's Office Conference Room.

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Roll call was taken and, a quorum being present, Regent Loch called the meeting to order.

A request from Jimmy Meyers of the St. Joseph News Press under the Missouri Sunshine Law, dated March 25, 2009, was brought forth by Dr. Jon Rickman, vice president of information systems. The Board of Regents will comply with the request.

Resolution # 8404: Regent Panethiere made a motion, seconded by Regent Hanks, to go into closed session to consider matters pursuant to exemptions to the open meeting requirement as specified in R.S. Mo 610.021(1)(3). A roll call vote was taken:

Regent Hanks, yes
Regent Sutton, yes
Regent Hurst, yes
Regent Brown, yes
Regent Wyckoff, yes
Regent Panethiere, yes
Regent Loch, yes
Motion carried.

Resolution #8405: Regent Hanks made a motion, seconded by Regent Hurst, to recess at 9:40 a.m. until a new AT&T conference call code could be obtained and transmitted to the board members, university president and legal counsel. A roll call vote was taken:

Regent Hanks, yes

Regent Sutton, yes
Regent Hurst, yes
Regent Brown, yes
Regent Wyckoff, yes
Regent Panethiere, yes
Regent Loch, yes
Motion carried.

The Board then recessed to go into closed session at 9:40 a.m.

Following the closed session, the board returned to open session at 11:15 a.m.

Resolution #8407: Regent Hurst made a motion, seconded by Regent Hanks, to amend the agenda to add the retention of counsel for the litigation filed yesterday, March 25, 2009, by Joseph Cornelison. The litigation was filed less than 24 hours prior to this meeting and notice could not be given. A roll call vote was taken:

Regent Hanks, yes
Regent Sutton, yes
Regent Hurst, yes
Regent Brown, yes
Regent Wyckoff, yes
Regent Panethiere, yes
Regent Loch, yes
Motion carried.

Resolution #8408: Regent Hurst made a motion, seconded by Regent Hanks, to retain Scott Sullivan and the firm of Kuhlman, Reddoch & Sullivan, P.C., to represent the board and the individual board members named in their official capacity. The firm is authorized to review all documents and give advice on any Sunshine Law information. A roll call vote was taken:

Regent Hanks, yes
Regent Sutton, yes
Regent Hurst, yes
Regent Brown, yes
Regent Wyckoff, yes
Regent Panethiere, yes
Regent Loch, yes
Motion carried.

Resolution #8409: Regent Wyckoff made a motion, seconded by Regent Brown, to amend the previous ceiling for litigation fees not to exceed \$50,000. If the fees exceed \$50,000 board approval will again be sought. A roll call vote was taken:

Regent Hanks, yes
Regent Sutton, yes
Regent Hurst, yes

Regent Brown, yes
Regent Wyckoff, yes
Regent Panethiere, yes
Regent Loch, yes
Motion carried.

There being no further business, Regent Panethiere made a motion, seconded by Regent Hanks to adjourn at 11:30 a.m. The board meeting adjourned by acclamation.

Claudia Beacom
Secretary to the Board of Regents