A special meeting of the Board of Regents of the University of Oklahoma was held in the office of the President of the University, Norman, on May 22, 1967, beginning at 9:30 a.m.

The following were present: Regent James G. Davidson, President, presiding; Regents Little, Houchin, Davies, Calvert, and Huffman.

ABSENT: Regent Sparks.

The following were also present: Dr. George L. Cross, President of the University; Vice Presidents Pete Kyle McCarter, Horace B. Brown, Carl D. Riggs, and Verne C. Kennedy, Jr.; Mr. David A. Burr, Assistant to the President; Mr. James E. Swain, Director of University Relations; Mr. David Swank, Associate Professor of Law; and Mrs. Barbara H. James, Assistant Secretary of the Regents.

Several members of the faculty-student-alumni committee who assisted the Regents in the selection of the new President were present.

Dr. and Mrs. John Herbert Hollomon were invited to the meeting.

Regent Davidson stated the purpose of the meeting was to take formal action on the selection of a President to succeed Dr. Cross when he retires next year.

He said the faculty-student-alumni nominating committee selected last year to assist in the selection of a new President (p. 8570) had worked long and hard and had submitted many recommendations to the Regents. He said their first choice for the position and the unanimous recommendation of the committee is that Dr. John Herbert Hollomon be named President of the University.

Regent Houchin moved that Dr. John Herbert Hollomon be appointed President of the University of Oklahoma to succeed Dr. George L. Cross effective July 1, 1968, with remuneration as follows:

1. A base annual salary of $35,000.00, a portion of which may be taken in the form of an annuity.

2. A house.

3. An automobile.

4. An annual housing maintenance allowance of $7,500.00.

5. Fringe benefits in accordance with those paid to his predecessor.
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The motion was seconded by Mr. Little and unanimously adopted.

Regent Houchin moved also that Dr. Hollomon assume his duties as President Designate on September 1, 1967, at the rate of compensation as stated above. Approved.

Dr. Cross congratulated the Regents on a job well done.

Dr. Hollomon stated it was a pleasure to accept the position and a great honor.

There being no further business the meeting adjourned at 9:45 a.m. A luncheon with the Regents, members of the selections committee, the Vice Presidents, Deans of the various colleges, and others was held in the Oklahoma Memorial Union following a press conference. From 12:30 to 1:30 p.m. Dr. and Mrs. Hollomon were greeted by University faculty and staff members and students at an informal reception in the ballroom of the Oklahoma Memorial Union.

Emil R. Kraettli, Secretary

Others present at the meeting and at the press conference:

Blaine Smith, Office of Public Information (operating the tape recorder)
Mike McCarrville, Tulsa Tribune
Rick Blalock, WKY-TV
Linda Maule, Daily Oklahoman and Times
Orin Garonzik
Bob Ruggles, Oklahoman and Times
Austin Travis
Neal Shull, KOCO-TV
Bill Ligon, Norman Transcript
Sharon Ervin, Norman Transcript
Dale Heckendorf, Norman Transcript
Fred Tarman, Norman Transcript
Doris Wedge
Curt Allen, KOMA Radio
Bill Boren WNAD Radio
Bob Flournoy, WKY Radio
Hugh Morgan, Oklahoma Journal
Cliff King
Gene Thomas, KOCO-TV
Harry Culver, UPI
Larry Phipps, AP
Travis Walsh, Tulsa World
Woody Gaddis
Gill Jain, OU Photo Lab.
Hansy Geiogamah, Oklahoma Daily
Jim Shauberger
Russell Grove
Mark Miller
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