A special meeting of the Board of Regents of The University of Oklahoma was held in the Auditorium of the Health Sciences Library Building on the Oklahoma City campus beginning at 8:12 p.m. on Wednesday, March 4, 1987.

Notice of the time, date, and place of this meeting was submitted to the Secretary of State, and the agenda was posted in the Office of the Board of Regents on or before 5:00 p.m. on March 3, 1987, both as required by Enrolled House Bill 1416 (1977 Oklahoma Legislature).

The following Regents were present: Regent Tom McCurdy, Chairman of the Board, presiding; Regents John M. Imel, Thomas Elwood Kemp, Charles F. Sarratt, Sarah C. Hogan, and Sylvia A. Lewis.

Absent: Regent Ronald H. White, M.D.

The following also were present for the meeting: Dr. Frank E. Horton, President of the University, Barbara H. Tuttle, Executive Secretary of the Board of Regents, Mr. Stanley M. Ward, Chief Legal Counsel, and Mr. Donnie Duncan, Athletic Director.

The purpose of the special meeting was to consider a recommendation on a substitute team for Southern Methodist University in the football schedule for 1987 and other scheduling issues. Mr. Duncan reminded the Regents that as a result of the NCAA probation Southern Methodist University will not be able to play any football games in 1987 and the University had a game scheduled with them in Dallas on September 19, 1987. Though they will be allowed to play seven away games in 1988, Mr. Duncan is doubtful they will be able to field a team for 1988 because many of the players may transfer. There is a question also about 1989. The 1988 game was scheduled for September 17 in Norman and the 1989 game was scheduled for September 16 in Dallas. Mr. Duncan said he believes a game for 1987 is a pressing situation and that is the reason for this special meeting. If the 1987 game can be settled, he would like a little more time to work on 1988 and 1989.

Mr. Duncan distributed the University's football schedules for 1987 through the year 2000 and called attention to the fact that there are many ball games that must be scheduled and that no non-conference games are scheduled beyond 1990. He will have to schedule 16 non-conference games over that period of time in order to have a five-game home schedule each season. He said many teams already are scheduled for the 1990's.

Mr. Duncan said the University of Tulsa is available to replace Southern Methodist University on the 1987 football schedule for a game on September 26, which is currently an open date on the OU schedule. The agreement would be conditioned on Tulsa playing in Norman three times with one game in 1990 and the other two dates to be mutually agreed upon at a later date. He explained
that part of the agreement is that the money involved will be $150,000 for all four games; that is, OU will be paid $150,000 this year for the game in Tulsa and Tulsa will be paid $150,000 for each of the three games they will play in Norman in the 1990's.

President Horton recommended the Board of Regents approve scheduling a football game with the University of Tulsa in Tulsa on September 26, 1987 in accordance with the conditions explained by Mr. Duncan.

Regent Imel moved approval of the recommendation. Regent Kemp stated that he believes this recommendation is good for The University of Oklahoma and for the State of Oklahoma. The following voted yes on the motion: Regents McCurdy, Imel, Kemp, Sarratt, Hogan, and Lewis. The Chair declared the motion unanimously approved.

After further discussion it was generally agreed that an item will be placed on the March agenda regarding completion of the 1988 and 1989 schedules and that there will be discussions at the April meeting on scheduling the non-conference games for the 1990's.

There being no further business the meeting adjourned at 8:40 p.m.

Barbara H. Tuttle
Executive Secretary of the Board of Regents