MINUTES OF A SPECIAL MEETING
THE UNIVERSITY OF OKLAHOMA BOARD OF REGENTS
JANUARY 21, 2001

A Special Meeting of the Board of Regents governing The University of Oklahoma, Cameron University, and Rogers State University was called to order on Sunday, January 21, 2001 in the Santee Lounge, Oklahoma Memorial Stadium, Norman Campus, beginning at 3:31 p.m.

The following Regents were present: Regent C. S. Lewis III, Chairman of the Board, presiding; Regents Robin Siegfried, Mary Jane Noble, Stephen F. Bentley, and Christy Everest.

Others attending all or a part of the meeting included Mr. David L. Boren, President of The University of Oklahoma, and Dr. Chris A. Purcell, Executive Secretary of the Board of Regents.

Notice of the time, date, and place of this meeting were submitted to the Secretary of State, and the agenda was posted in the Office of the Board of Regents on or before 3:30 p.m. on January 19, 2001, both as required by 25 O.S. 1981, Section 301-314.

RESOLUTION HONORING 2000 NATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIP FOOTBALL TEAM

RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, the 2000 University of Oklahoma Sooner Football Team finished the season with a perfect 13-0 record, the first in OU history, and the seventh national football championship in university history;

WHEREAS, the 2000 Sooner Football team became the first team in NCAA history to defeat the No. 1 and No. 2 ranked teams in back-to-back games;

WHEREAS, the 2000 team won Sooner Football’s 37th conference title;

WHEREAS, the 2000 team won Sooner Football’s 33rd bowl game and its 17th Orange Bowl, and won its 12th Orange Bowl title, the most won by any university in Orange Bowl history;

WHEREAS, the 2000 Sooner Football team finished the season ranked No. 1 in the Associated Press, ESPN/USA Today and Bowl Championship Series polls;

WHEREAS, OU Head Football Coach Bob Stoops was the consensus national Coach of the Year, sweeping every coach of the year award;

WHEREAS, OU Assistant Head Coach and Offensive Coordinator Mark Mangino was awarded the Broyles award, honoring him as assistant coach of the year;

WHEREAS, OU quarterback Josh Heupel was named the Big 12 Player of the Year, the Walter Camp National Player of the Year and the Associated Press National Player of the Year in addition to winning a number of other national awards;
WHEREAS, Torrance Marshall was named Most Valuable Player of the 2000 FedEx Orange Bowl;

WHEREAS, Rocky Calmus was a finalist for the Dick Butkus Award;

WHEREAS, J.T. Thatcher was named the Mosi Tatupu Special Teams Player of the Year;

WHEREAS, Derrick Strait was named Big 12 Defensive Newcomer of the Year;

WHEREAS, the Sooners had two consensus All-Americans, Josh Heupel and Rocky Calmus, for the first time since 1987;

WHEREAS, seven Sooners were named to All-America teams including three to freshman All-America squads;

WHEREAS, 25 Sooners earned All-Big 12 honors;

WHEREAS, Scott Kempenich was named to the Verizon All-Academic district team;

WHEREAS, the Sooner Football team and coaching staff never lost sight of the goal and always found a way, together, to reach that goal;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Regents of The University of Oklahoma express profound appreciation to Coach Bob Stoops and the 2000 OU Football team for the excitement and pride they brought to the University of Oklahoma, the state of Oklahoma and to Sooners everywhere and for the exemplary manner in which they represented the University of Oklahoma and added to its tradition of excellence.

President Boren recommended the Board of Regents approve the resolution shown above.

Regent Everest moved approval of the recommendation. The following voted yes on the motion: Regents Siegfried, Noble, Bentley, and Everest. The Chair declared the motion unanimously approved.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 3:38 p.m.

Chris A. Purcell
Executive Secretary of the Board of Regents