MINUTES OF A REGULAR MEETING
RETREAT
THE UNIVERSITY OF OKLAHOMA BOARD OF REGENTS
APRIL 12, 2001

A regular meeting of the Board of Regents governing The University of Oklahoma, Cameron University, and Rogers State University was called to order in the Provost’s Conference Room of the OU Health Sciences Center on Thursday, April 12, 2001 beginning at 9:04 a.m.

The following Regents were present: Robin Siegfried, Chairman of the Board, presiding; Regents G. T. Blankenship, Stephen F. Bentley, Christy Everest and Regent-elect Tom Clark.

Others attending all or a part of the meeting included Dr. Don Davis, President of Cameron University; Dr. Joe A. Wiley, President of Rogers State University; Joseph Harroz, Jr., General Counsel; 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 9:00 a.m. on April 11, 2001, both as required by 25 O.S. 1981, Section 301-314.

CAMERON UNIVERSITY

President Davis began the meeting by thanking the Regents for their continuing support and dedication to Cameron University and for giving him the opportunity to inform them of the strategic planning that will be taking place over the next few years. This strategic planning involves continuous vision that includes each academic and administrative unit on the campus.

President Davis reviewed the status of the goals set for 2000-2001 and proceeded to introduce the goals for 2001-2002. The new goals consisted of assimilating a new campus leadership team, launching an “Enterprise Academics” initiative, finishing the installation of campus management software, implementing web-based degree programs, developing a supercomputing Center of Excellence, realigning the management of the Centers of Excellence, and continuing the campaign to enhance the Cameron University image.

Universal planning contexts included a greater demand for anytime, anywhere access to Higher Ed services, increasing complexity and cost of new computers, a greater demand for faculty and staff with technological competencies, corresponding salary requirements, and National and International recruitment competition. Future scenarios that are arising from the planning contexts include the evolving role and cooperation of regional universities, the merger of classroom and distance learning, the integration of facilities, infrastructure and personnel between universities, the military, and commercial firms.

Dr. Davis concluded his presentation by asking for assistance from the Regents to continue the direction of the visions and goals set for the upcoming year, to support the supercomputing initiative by including the Governor and the Legislature, and to help improve the relationship with Cameron University and The University of Oklahoma.

The Regents discussed the performance of President Davis and deemed it excellent.
This portion of the Retreat adjourned at 12:00 p.m. for a joint lunch with President Wiley of Rogers State University.

The meeting reconvened at 1:00 p.m. in the same location.

ROGERS STATE UNIVERSITY

President Wiley reviewed the current condition of Rogers State University noting student demographics and enrollment, faculty qualifications and refereed papers, current budgets, endowed chairs, and capital improvements. New programs, proposed programs, and programs under consideration were discussed and the need for an honors program was presented.

A memo to President Wiley was presented regarding the feasibility of an RSU Athletic Intercollegiate program. President Wiley stated that he preferred to wait at least two years to implement such programs, because of the budget restraints involved in moving the University forward. The Regents agreed with this suggestion.

President Wiley stated that the Rogers State University Foundation plans to substantially increase the Foundation’s endowment for the purpose of providing endowed chairs and scholarship funds. The Foundation Board’s Strategic Plan calls for raising the funds for a total of 10 endowed chairs, and will also increase the RSU Foundation scholarship endowment.

Expanding and enhancing the RSU Foundation Annual Fund programs include increasing funds raised through Dollars for Scholars Program, establishing a Dollars for Scholars Program in Bartlesville and Pryor, developing a President’s Associates Program to increase unrestricted giving, to increase the funds raised through the Faculty and Staff Giving Program, and continuing and enhancing program to raise funds for university annual projects.

Other future goals included redefining roles and responsibilities of the RSU Foundation Board and Board of Directors and the Office of Development, raising funds for capital improvements to enhance the overall structure of the campus and help provide an improved quality of campus life, and establishing a planning committee to evaluate the need for a performing arts center with an indoor sports arena.

Future plans and goals included the development and evaluation of fundraising programs, institutional images, continuing development of needed programs, distance learning opportunities, and collaborative partnership.

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There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 3:40 p.m.

Chris A. Purcell
Executive Secretary of the Board of Regents