III. APPROVAL OF MINUTES AND RATIFICATION OF ACTIONS

Motion Moved by Wilson and seconded by McClurg to approve the minutes and ratify the actions

of the regularly scheduled meeting of March 1, 2003.

Action Student Opinion: Aye: Johnston, McGeorge, and Arganbright. Absent: Bilek. Voting

Aye: Ferlic, Hassebrook, Hawks, McClurg, Miller, Schroeder, Wilson, and Blank.

Voting Nay: None. Motion carried.

IV. KUDOS

Regent Wilson presented a KUDOS award to Michael C. Straatmann, Library Assistant at Love Library at the University of Nebraska-Lincoln.

Regent Arganbright presented a KUDOS award to Clyde Naber, Livestock Operations Manager in the Animal Science Department in UNL's Institute of Agriculture and Natural Resources.

Regent McClurg presented a KUDOS award to Barbara J. Henney, Staff Secretary in the College of Business Administration at the University of Nebraska at Omaha.

Regent Hawks presented a KUDOS award to Tim McCashland, Director of the internal medicine-gastroenterology department at the University of Nebraska Medical Center.

Regent Johnston presented a KUDOS award to Deborah K. Vetter, Director of Sponsored Programs at the University of Nebraska Medical Center.

Regent McGeorge presented a KUDOS award to JoAnna Cordova, Director of the Child Development Center at the University of Nebraska at Kearney.

RESOLUTIONS

Regent Hassebrook presented the following Resolution:

Whereas, Nathan Wells, a University of Nebraska-Lincoln senior computer science and engineering student from Lodgepole, has been named to the USA Today All-USA Academic Second Team; and

Whereas, Nathan was selected from 500 nominees from four-year colleges and universities nationwide, and only 20 students were named to each of the first, second and third teams; and

Whereas, Nathan has been an active participant in UNL's Undergraduate Creative Activities and Research Experiences program - UCARE; and

Whereas, Nathan's research project was to develop a self-calibrating Palmer Drought Severity Index, which involved complex and difficult computer research; and

Whereas, Nathan's work is the first major refinement to the computation since it was first created more than 40 years ago.

Now, therefore, be it resolved, that the University of Nebraska Board of Regents congratulates Nathan Wells on his selection by USA Today as a college all-star, and commends him for his outstanding research project on the Palmer Drought Severity Index.

Leaves of Absence

Mark R. Anderson, Associate Professor (Continuous), Geosciences; Faculty Development Fellowship with full pay effective 08/18/03 to 01/04/04, \$71,449 AY, 1.00 FTE.

John R. Bailey, Professor (Continuous), Music; Faculty Development Fellowship with full pay effective 08/18/03 to 01/04/04, \$77,695 AY, 1.00 FTE.

Michael D. Blum, Associate Professor (Continuous), Geosciences; Faculty Development Fellowship with full pay effective 08/18/03 to 01/04/04, \$68,082 AY, 1.00 FTE.

Arthur John Boye, Professor (Continuous), Electrical Engineering; Faculty Development Fellowship with half pay effective 08/18/03 to 05/14/04, \$102,619 AY, 1.00 FTE.

Stephen M. Buhler, Professor (Continuous) English; Faculty Development Fellowship with full pay effective 08/18/03 to 01/04/04, \$65,034 AY, 1.00 FTE.

David L. Cahan, Professor (Continuous) History; Faculty Development Fellowship with full pay effective 08/18/03 to 01/04/04, \$70,791 AY, 1.00 FTE.

Thomas Caramagno, Associate Professor (Continuous), English; Leave without pay effective 08/18/03 to 05/14/04, \$45,203 AY, 1.00 FTE.

Patricia Cox Crews, Professor (Continuous), Textiles, Clothing, and Design; Faculty Development Fellowship with full pay effective 07/01/03 to 12/31/03, \$121,582 FY, 1.00 FTE.

Mary Jo Deegan, Professor (Continuous), Sociology; Faculty Development Fellowship with full pay effective 01/05/04 to 05/14/04, \$57,745 AY, 1.00 FTE.

Vincent S. Di Salvo, Professor (Continuous), Communication Studies; Leave without pay effective 04/13/03 to 05/16/03, \$59,647 AY, 1.00 FTE. (This leave has been approved by the Regents Executive Committee.)

Robert K. Hitchcock, Professor (Continuous), Anthropology and Geography; Faculty Development Fellowship with half pay effective 08/18/03 to 05/14/04, \$64,319 AY, 1.00 FTE.

Bettina-Elisabeth Klaus, Assistant Professor (Specific Term), Economics; Leave without pay 08/19/03 to 08/15/04, \$76,572 FY, 1.00 FTE.

Antonio H. Martinez, Associate Professor (Continuous), Modern Languages; Faculty Development Fellowship with full pay effective 08/18/03 to 01/04/04, \$49,573 AY, 1.00 FTE.

Elaine A. Nowick, Associate Professor (Continuous), Branch Services, Libraries; Faculty Development Fellowship with full pay effective 07/01/03 to 12/31/03, \$45,000 FY, 1.00 FTE.

Matthew P. Schaefer, Associate Professor (Continuous), Law; Faculty Development Fellowship with full pay effective 08/18/03 to 01/04/04, \$84,760 AY, 1.00 FTE.

Janice Stauffer, Associate Professor (Continuous), Theatre Arts; Faculty Development Fellowship with full pay effective 08/18/03 to 01/04/04, \$55,487 AY, 1.00 FTE.

Norman Smith, Professor and Chair (Continuous), Geosciences; Leave without pay 06/01/03 to 06/30/03, \$147,874 FY, 1.00 FTE.

Pamela Starr, Associate Professor (Continuous), Music; Faculty Development Fellowship

April 26, 2003 X-B-2 Approve proposed amendment of Section 6 of RP-5.9.1 relating to the use of Fund B monies to clarify language and permit the use of Fund B monies for student transit services. X-B-3 See University Administrative Agenda. X-B-4 Approve amendment of Sections 1.3.1 and 1.3.3 of the Standing Rules of the Board of Regents of the University of Nebraska and amendment of Regents' Policy 1.6.8. from the Board of Regents' Policies of the University of Nebraska. University of Nebraska at Kearney X-B-5 Approve the Fund B, University Program and Facilities Fee (UPFF) 2003-2004 Allocation for the University of Nebraska at Kearney. University of Nebraska-Lincoln X-B-6 Approve the Fund B, University Program and Facilities Fees (UPFF) 2003-2004 Allocations for the University of Nebraska-Lincoln, and authorize the Chancellor to approve modifications of these budgets to the extent necessary to implement the Board of Regents salary increase policy and personnel benefits cost increases for 2003-2004. X-B-7 Approve the Purchase Option and Contract between the USDA Forest Service and the Board of Regents on behalf of the State Forester to sell the Cold Storage Building (cooler) and improvements located at the U.S. Forest Service Bessey Nursery, Halsey, Nebraska to the USDA Forest Service for \$193,000, and further waive the requirements of RP-6.2.3.6 pertaining to the Disposal of Real Property by public auction or sealed bid public sale because it is in the best interest of the University to sell the building to the U.S. Forest Service. X-B-8 Authorize the Vice Chancellor for Business and Finance of the University of Nebraska-Lincoln (UNL) to designate a member of the UNL administrative staff to serve as the University's alternate representative on the Administrative Board of the Joint Antelope Valley Authority. X-B-9 Approve the Contract between the Nebraska Department of Education and the University of Nebraska-Lincoln for the project entitled "Reviewing Assessment Portfolios for Language Arts: 2003." University of Nebraska Medical Center X-B-10 Approve the Fund B, University Program and Facilities Fees (UPFF) 2003-2004 Allocation for the University of Nebraska Medical Center. University of Nebraska at Omaha X-B-11 Approve the Fund B, University Program and Facilities Fees (UPFF) 2003-2004 Allocation for the University of Nebraska at Omaha. Discussion was held. Action Student Opinion: Aye: Johnston, McGeorge, Arganbright, and Bilek. Voting Aye: Hassebrook, Hawks, McClurg, Miller, Schroeder, Wilson, Blank, and Ferlic. Voting Nay: None. Motion carried.

XI. UNIVERSITY ADMINISTRATIVE AGENDA

Motion Moved by Blank and seconded by Hawks to approve a new item X-B-3 which shall provide a change in definition of "full-time equivalent" for the purpose of health care

coverage for current personnel whose jobs are restructured from 1.0 FTE to .75 FTE and above effective July 1, 2003. This action would allow affected personnel to keep health

care benefits

X-B-3 Approve the change in definition of full-time equivalent for the purpose of health care

coverage as stated in the above motion.

Discussion was held.

Action Student Opinion: Aye: McGeorge, Bilek, and Johnston. Abstain: Arganbright. Voting Aye: Hawks, Schroeder, Blank, Ferlic, and Hassebrook. Voting Nay: McClurg, Miller,

and Wilson. Motion carried.

A. ACADEMIC

None.

B. <u>BUSINESS</u>

Central Administration

Motion Moved by Schroeder and seconded by McClurg to approve item XI-B-1.

XI-B-1 Approve negotiated amendments to the current Collective Bargaining Agreement between the Board of Regents and the University of Nebraska at Omaha American Association of

University Professors (UNO/AAUP) for the 2003-2005 Biennium.

Regent Hawks made special note that the General Counsel has represented that

"appropriate consultation" means "notice with time to respond."

Action Student Opinion: Ave: Arganbright, Bilek, Johnston, and McGeorge. Voting Ave:

McClurg, Miller, Schroeder, Wilson, Blank, Ferlic, Hassebrook, and Hawks. Voting Nay:

None. Motion carried.

Motion Moved by Miller and seconded by McClurg to approve item XI-B-2.

XI-B-2 Approve negotiated amendments to the current Collective Bargaining Agreement between

the Board of Regents and the University of Nebraska at Kearney Education Association

(UNKEA) for the 2003-2005 Biennium.

Action Student Opinion: Aye: Bilek, Johnston, McGeorge, and Arganbright. Voting Aye: Miller,

Schroeder, Wilson, Blank, Ferlic, Hassebrook, Hawks, and McClurg. Voting Nay: None.

Motion carried.

Additional Item

Motion Moved by McClurg and seconded by Schroeder to approve item XI-B-3.

XI-B-3 Approve Second Amendment of the 2003 Retirement Incentive Program for Tenured

Faculty to extend the time for electing to participate to June 30, 2003.

Discussion was held.

Action

Student Opinion: Aye: Johnston, McGeorge, Arganbright, and Bilek. Voting Aye: Schroeder, Wilson, Blank, Ferlic, Hassebrook, Hawks, McClurg, and Miller. Voting Nay: None. Motion carried.

C. FOR INFORMATION ONLY

XI-C-1

This proposed housekeeping amendments of Sections 3.12.1 and 3.12.2 of the *Bylaws of the Board of Regents* to (i) change the normal retirement age for all University employees from 65 years of age to 59½ years of age, and (ii) to remove the requirement for a Board resolution to approve a disability retirement are presented for information purposes only in accordance with the requirements of Section 1.11 of the *Bylaws of the Board of Regents*. Approval of this amendment will be requested at the Regents' meeting on June 7, 2003.

XI-C-2

This proposed amendment of Section 7.2 of the University of Nebraska Retirement Plan to permit limited in-service distribution for certain part-time employees after Normal Retirement Age is presented for information purposes only in accordance with the requirements of Section 3.12.4.6 of the *Bylaws of the Board of Regents*. Approval of this amendment will be requested at the Regents' meeting on June 7, 2003.

D. REPORTS

XI-D-1

Report on Laboratory, Student, and Miscellaneous Fees for 2003-2004.

XI-D-2

Naming two rooms in the College of Dentistry: "Henry and June Weeth Instrument Management Center" and "Kenneth and Marjorie Morrison Computer Room."

XI-D-3

Naming the Encounter Center located in Morrill Hall at the University of Nebraska State Museum "The Dr. Paul and Betty Marx Science Discovery Center."

XI-D-4

Naming rooms and facilities within the University of Nebraska-Lincoln Law College addition and the newly renovated areas.

XI-D-5

Monthly Report of Bids and Contracts for the period ended March 31, 2003.

XI-D-6

Annual audit of UNeMed Corporation for the fiscal years ending December 31, 2002, and December 31, 2001, in accordance with the Bylaws of UNeMed Corporation as approved by the Board of Regents.

Chairman Ferlic accepted the reports.

XII.

ADDITIONAL BUSINESS

Regent Hassebrook made a point of personal privilege with regard to why the items XI-B-1 and XI-B-2 were passed during these budget times.

Regent Wilson made a point of personal privilege about the Regents' role in the budget cut process.

Chairman Ferlic announced that the Board Audit Committee, which consists McClurg as the chairman, Hawks, Miller, and himself, will have their first meeting to review the audit report of the UNeMed Corporation.

Regent Arganbright made a point of personal privilege about the students commitment to quality of the education and institution and that the student senate supports the fees that are listed in the report section.

Committee topics and strategic issue topics have been tentatively set for the year and were handed out to the Board. (For copy of topics, see documents file).

CLOSED SESSION

Motion

Moved by Blank and seconded by Wilson that the Board of Regents go into closed session as authorized by Section 84-1410 of the Revised Statutes of Nebraska for the protection of the public interest, and to prevent needless injury to the reputation of individuals who have not requested a public hearing, for the purpose of holding a discussion limited to consideration of the award of an honorary degree.

Action

Student Opinion: Aye: McGeorge, Arganbright, Bilek, and Johnston. Voting Aye: Wilson, Blank, Ferlic, Hassebrook, Hawks, McClurg, Miller, and Schroeder. Voting Nay: None. Motion carried.

The Board went into closed session at 11:30 a.m. and reconvened the open meeting at 11:35 a.m.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 11:36 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,	
Kim M. Robak	
Corporation Secretary	
Randolph M. Ferlic Chair of the Board	