

The Board of Trustees of the University of Central Arkansas convened in special session Wednesday, June 13, 2001, in Buffalo Alumni Hall with the following officers and members present, to-wit:

Chair: Mr. Dalda Womack
Vice Chair: Mr. Randy Sims
Mr. Kelley Erstine
Mrs. Elaine Goode
Mr. Rickey Hicks
Mr. Scott Roussel

and with the following absent, to-wit: Secretary: Rush Harding

constituting a quorum of said Board, at which meeting the following business was transacted, to-wit:

MINUTES

Minutes of the May 7, 2001, Board Meeting were approved unanimously as circulated upon motion by Mr. Erstine with a second by Mr. Hicks.

INTRODUCTIONS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

President Thompson introduced the following individuals:

Jan Newcomer - new Director of Alumni Services; and
Myrtle Lee Selig - President of the Alumni Association.

President Thompson announced that this will be the last Board meeting for Dr. John Mosbo, Provost, who will be leaving UCA later this month to accept a position at Gustavus Adolphus College in St. Peter, Minnesota. Dr. Thompson wished Dr. Mosbo well.

PRESIDENT'S REPORT

30-Mile Rule - President Thompson reported that the Department of Higher Education will be discussing the 30-Mile Rule over the next few weeks - an issue which may be very controversial. President Thompson explained that the 30-Mile Rule states that no college or university can offer programs within thirty miles of the home campus of another institution without the approval of that institution. President Thompson stated that over the years, the legislature, and others, created new institutions in conflict with the rule; therefore, the rule is not, at the present time, applied rigidly, and there is some question as to whether it should be applied at all. President Thompson stated further that, on the other hand, there are some who feel that the 30-mile rule should be vigorously enforced and, perhaps, expanded to a 50- or 60-mile rule.

President Thompson stated that he does not have a position, on behalf of the university, to offer to the Board today. Dr. Thompson encouraged Board members to become familiar with the rule and the

locations of two- and four-year institutions. Copies of maps indicating the location of each two- and four-year institution were distributed.

President Thompson reported that the four-year presidents and chancellors will meet Monday to discuss the issue. A meeting of the Arkansas Higher Education Coordinating Board will be held July 19-20 in West Memphis, at which the issue is expected to be contentious.

President Thompson stated that he will keep the Board informed as discussions continue.

Housing - At President Thompson's request, Dr. John Smith, Vice President for Financial and Administrative Services, reported on the housing shortage for the fall semester. Dr. Smith reported that, at the present time, over 300 women and 100 men cannot be accommodated. Dr. Smith reported on his search for temporary housing and stated that he and his staff are doing all that can be done to find additional space.

Dr. Smith further reported that it appears that proposed privatized housing may not be the best solution for the housing shortage. He stated that several options are being considered and that no recommendation is being made to the Board at this time.

President Thompson stated that a special telephone conference Board meeting may be scheduled in the near future to address the issue.

ACTION AGENDA

Property Acquisitions

(1) Sparks Property - 333 Western Avenue - Mr. and Mrs. Larry Sparks have approached the university about purchasing their property at 333 Western Avenue. The property is located in the university's projected growth area, and can be used for on-campus housing until a permanent usage is identified.

The administration obtained appraisals on the property and signed an offer and acceptance agreement with the owner, subject to Board of Trustees and State of Arkansas approval. The legal description of the property is: Lots 3 & 4, Block 6, J. E. Little Addition, Faulkner County, Conway, Arkansas.

(2) Allison Property - 420 & 422 Augusta Avenue - The university recently was notified that Mr. and Mrs. Jerome Allison would like to sell the duplex they own on Augusta Avenue. This property is located in the university's projected growth area, and can be used for student housing until a permanent usage is identified. Because we just received notification of the availability of the property, the university has not been able to obtain an appraisal. However, an Offer and Acceptance Agreement has been mailed to the Allisons for their consideration. This agreement indicates that the offer is subject to State of

Arkansas and Board of Trustees approval, and subject to the university's appraisal supporting the purchase price.

The following resolutions were adopted unanimously upon motion by Mr. Ricks with a second by Mrs. Goode:

“BE IT RESOLVED: THAT THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES AUTHORIZES THE ADMINISTRATION TO PURCHASE THE PROPERTY AT 333 WESTERN AVENUE, OWNED BY MR. AND MRS. LARRY SPARKS.

THE PROPERTY IS DESCRIBED AS LOTS 3 & 4, BLOCK 6, J.E. LITTLE ADDITION, FAULKNER COUNTY, CONWAY, ARKANSAS.”

AND

“BE IT RESOLVED: THAT THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES AUTHORIZES THE ADMINISTRATION, SUBJECT TO AN APPRAISAL SUPPORTING THE PRICE, TO PURCHASE THE PROPERTY AT 420 AND 422 AUGUSTA AVENUE, OWNED BY MR. AND MRS. JERRY ALLISON.

THE PROPERTY IS DESCRIBED AS THE SOUTH ONE-HALF OF LOT 10 AND ALL OF LOT 11, W. H. GIST REPLAT ADDITION, FAULKNER COUNTY, CONWAY, ARKANSAS.”

Right-of-Way and Easement for Conway Corporation - Conway Corporation has requested that the university grant a 20-foot wide right-of-way and easement beginning just west of the Reynolds Performance Hall and running east along Powell Drive. Then, after crossing Donaghey Avenue, the easement continues across a gravel parking lot at the corner of Donaghey and Robins. The easement then continues north across property behind and adjacent the president's home and terminates at Bruce Street after crossing the parking lot near the Baldrige Apartments. The purpose of the requested easement is to accommodate a sewer project that Conway Corporation is undertaking. Also, during the construction phase, Conway Corporation has requested a 40-foot easement to allow materials to be located near the construction site.

The right-of-way and easement would grant Conway

"BE IT RESOLVED: THAT THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES APPROVES THE FOLLOWING RIGHT-OF-WAY AND EASEMENT."

RIGHT OF WAY AND EASEMENT
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**BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE
UNIVERSITY OF CENTRAL ARKANSAS**

To:

THE CITY OF CONWAY, ARKANSAS

KNOW ALL MEN BY THESE PRESENTS:

That the BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE UNIVERSITY OF CENTRAL ARKANSAS,

AND:

Easement Description:

A part of the NW1/4 NW1/4 Section 13, T-5-N, R-14-W of the 5th. Principal Meridian, Faulkner County, Arkansas being more particularly described as follows:

Commencing at the West 1/4 Section 13, T-5-N, R-14-W; thence North 02°01'11" East(grid bearing) along the West line of the NW1/4 Section 13, a distance of 2337.03 feet; thence South 88°09'38" East parallel to the South line of the said NW 1/4 Section 13, a distance of 30.00 feet to the East R/W line of Donaghey Ave. and the Point of Beginning; thence North 02°01'11" East along said East R/W line of Donaghey Ave., a distance of 284.55 feet; thence South 88°22'45" East along the South R/W line of Robins Street, a distance of 315.09 feet; thence leaving said Robins Street R/W line South 05°28'33" West, a distance of 14.87 feet; thence North 88°17'43" West, a distance of 296.41 feet; thence South 02°01'29" West, a distance of 240.23 feet; thence South 32°35'48" West, a distance of 34.90 feet to the Donaghey Ave. East R/W line and the Point of Beginning. Containing 0.2096 Acres, more or less. The 20 feet wide easement is to center on a sewer main.

AND:

Easement Description:

A part of the SW1/4 SW1/4 Section 12, T-5-N, R-14-W of the 5th. Principal Meridian, Faulkner County, Arkansas being more particularly described as follows:

Commencing at the South 1/4 Corner Section 12, T-5-N, R-14-W; thence North 88°22'45" West (grid bearing) along the South line of the SW1/4 Section 12, a distance of 2195.98 feet; thence North 02°01'19" East parallel to the West line of said SW1/4 Section 12, a distance of 30.00 feet to the North R/W line Robins Street and the Point of Beginning; thence North 05°28'33" East, a distance of 191.69 feet; thence North 20°20'03" East, a distance of 161.83 feet; thence North 02°08'13" East, a distance of 239.75 feet to the South R/W line of South Boulevard ; thence North 88°34'29" West along the South R/W line of said South Boulevard, a distance of 20.00 feet; thence South 02°08'13" West, a distance of 236.29 feet; thence South 20°20'03" West, a distance of 161.24 feet; thence South 05°28'33" West, a distance of 195.65 feet to the North R/W line of Robins Street; thence South 88°22'45" East along said South R/W line of Robins Street, a distance of 20.05 feet to the Point of Beginning. Containing 0.2724 Acres, more or less. The 20 feet wide easement is to center on a sewer main.

AND:

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TO HAVE AND TO HOLD the same unto the said GRANTEE, and unto its successors and assigns, forever, with full right of ingress and egress at all times in, upon, over or under and to said lands for the purposes aforesaid.

And we, the GRANTORS, for and in consideration of said sum of money, do hereby release and relinquish unto the said GRANTEE(S) all our rights of dower, curtesy and homestead in and to the said right of way and easement.

WITNESS our hands and seals this ____ day of _____, 2001.

Dalda Womack, Chairman of the Board
University of Central Arkansas

Proposed Changes to Student Residency Regulations (Board Policy No. 700) - At President Thompson's request, Mr. Jack Gillean, Vice President for University Relations, presented this item.

The university has received several inquiries from both current and potential students regarding international status and residency classifications for non-U.S. citizens in terms of the payment of required tuition and fees, as well as the payment of fees for international students authorized by Board Policy No. 635. The issue has been raised primarily by individuals who have married American citizens after arriving in the United States on a student visa.

Although it is certain that the current student residency regulations were intended to have applicability to all students without regard to ethnicity or national origin, the administration believes it appropriate to specifically address the issue of international students in this policy. The administration proposes that the Board authorize language addressing international students in light of residency requirements.

The following resolution was adopted unanimously upon motion by Mr. Sims with a second by Mr. Erstine:

“BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Board of Trustees shall amend Board Policy No. 700 to read as follows: “Residency requirements.”

UNIVERSITY OF CENTRAL ARKANSAS
BOARD POLICY

Policy Number: 700
Subject: Student Residency Regulations
Date Adopted: 11/71

Revised:

The responsibility for registering under the proper classification for this purpose is placed upon the student, and it is the duty of each student at each time of registration, if there be any question of his or her proper classification or reclassification for fee purposes, to raise the question of his or her status with the Office of Admissions for undergraduate students or the Graduate Office for graduate students, in order to have such question settled by the Director of Admissions or Graduate Dean. Any classification initially on enrolling and on re-enrolling in the University, or any reclassification made or concurred in by the Director of Admissions or Graduate Dean may be appealed for review and determination to a committee appointed by the President. Decisions of this committee may be appealed for review and determination to the Vice President for Academic Services who, in his or her discretion, shall conduct informal hearings, receive evidence, and make an investigation as may be appropriate in order to render a decision with notice thereof to the affected student. Written notice of such appeals procedure shall be provided to each student raising

thereof. In (all cases) to be filed with the Registrar, Office of Admissions, and the Vice President for Academic Services.

(4) Appointment of a guardian in a State outside of Arkansas will attribute the domicile of the minor student to that of his or her out-of-state guardian. Establishment of guardianship or adoption for the purpose of evading fees will not be recognized.

(5) A minor emancipated by the law of his domicile or on reaching the legal age of majority has the power which any adult has to acquire a different domicile and a different place of residing; however, his or her prior domicile of origin continues until he clearly establishes a new one. Marriage constitutes emancipation of minors, both male and female.

(6) For either an adult or an emancipated minor to acquire a domicile in this State he or she must have permanently left the parental home, must have established a legal home (domicile) of permanent character in Arkansas other than for attendance in school here, and resided here for six continuous months as an Arkansas domiciliary, and must have no present definite intent of removing therefrom as of a time certain.

(7) Determination of local domicile shall be based on a review of all pertinent factors and circumstances which collectively may reasonably be deemed to objectively manifest a state of mind regarding domicile.

(8) Students living in the States bordering Arkansas who receive mail at an Arkansas post office are not domiciliaries of Arkansas.

(9) If a member of the Armed Forces is stationed in the State of Arkansas pursuant to military orders, he or she and his or her unemancipated dependents shall be entitled to classification as in-state students for fee paying purposes.

Presidential Search Process - At Mr. Womack's request, Dr. John Smith prepared the following information prior to the meeting, reviewed it at this time, and addressed questions from Board members.

PRESIDENTIAL SEARCH COMMITTEE

Option I

Vice President - appointed by Board

Academic Dean - appointed by Board

Department Chair - appointed by Board

Faculty Representative - selected by Board from list of five nominated by Faculty Senate

Staff Representative - selected by Board from list of five nominated by Staff Senate

Student Representative - selected by Board from list of five nominated by Student Government Association

Alumni Representative - selected by Board from list of five nominated by Alumni Association

Chair is appointed by Board

Option II

Vice President - appointed by Board

Academic Dean - appointed by Board

Department Chair - appointed by Board

Faculty Representative - appointed by Board

Staff Representative - appointed by Board

Student Representative - appointed by Board

Alumni Representative - appointed by Board

Chair is appointed by Board

Option III

Either of the above options and add any or all of the following to the committee:

Current Board Member

Former Board Member

Community Representative

Increase the number of representatives for any of the above groups

ISSUES:

Size of committee

Diversity

Time commitment

Confidentiality of process

Charge/Role of committee

CHARGE FOR COMMITTEE

Issues to Address:

- When does the Board want a new president on campus?
- Date by which the Board wants a list of names of finalist candidates?
- How many names to recommend to the Board? In what order?
- What leadership qualities are sought in the new president?
- What kind of information does the Board want on recommended candidates?
- Who will draft and place advertisements for the position?
- Where will nominations and applications be solicited?
- How often do you want reports from the committee?
- Will the chair of the Board serve as a resource and contact for the committee?
- Will a search firm be employed? If so, what will be its role?
- Need for confidentiality of internal deliberations.
- What role does the committee play after providing the Board with a list of finalist candidates?
- Who receives and responds to nominations and applications from all sources?

FOLLOWING DISCUSSION MR. SIMS MOVED THAT THE BOARD SET A GOAL TO WORK TOWARD HAVING A NEW PRESIDENT IN OFFICE BY JULY 1, 2002. THE MOTION WAS SECONDED BY MR. HICKS AND PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

FOLLOWING FURTHER DISCUSSION, MR. ERSTINE MOVED THAT THE BOARD ACCEPT OPTION I STATED ABOVE; THAT COMMITTEE NOMINATIONS FROM THE FACULTY AND STAFF SENATES, STUDENT GOVERNMENT ASSOCIATION, AND ALUMNI ASSOCIATION BE SUBMITTED BY AUGUST 1, 2001; AND, THAT SELECTIONS FROM THE NOMINATIONS BE MADE BY THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES AT ITS AUGUST 10, 2001, MEETING. THE MOTION WAS SECONDED BY MR. HICKS AND PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

AT MR. WOMACK'S SUGGESTION THAT DR. JOHN SMITH SERVE AS CHAIR OF THE SEARCH COMMITTEE, MR. SIMS MOVED THAT DR. JOHN SMITH, VICE PRESIDENT OF FINANCIAL AND ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES, BE APPOINTED CHAIR OF THE PRESIDENTIAL SEARCH COMMITTEE AND FILL THE POSITION TO BE HELD BY A VICE PRESIDENT; AND, THAT NOMINATIONS FROM THE FACULTY AND STAFF SENATES, STUDENT GOVERNMENT ASSOCIATION, AND ALUMNI ASSOCIATION BE SUBMITTED TO DR. SMITH.

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OPEN SESSION

Open session was declared by Mr. Womack who reported that President Thompson's contract and his role at the university were discussed during executive session. Mr. Womack stated that no decisions were made.

There being no further business to come before the Board, the meeting was adjourned upon motion by Mr. Hicks with a second by Mrs. Goode.

Mr. Dalda Womack, Chair

Mr. Rush Harding, Secretary