

Meeting No. 898

THE MINUTES OF THE BOARD OF REGENTS  
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Austin, Texas

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FRIDAY, DECEMBER 20, 1996.--The members of the Board of Regents of The University of Texas System convened via telephone conference call and in person (Vice-Chairman Hicks, Regent Evans, and Regent Loeffler) at 10:30 a.m. on Friday, December 20, 1996, on the ninth floor of Ashbel Smith Hall at 201 West Seventh Street in Austin, Texas, with the following in attendance:

ATTENDANCE.--

Present

Chairman Rapoport, presiding  
Vice-Chairman Hicks  
Vice-Chairman Smiley  
Regent Clements  
Regent Evans  
Regent Holmes  
Regent Lebermann  
Regent Loeffler  
Regent Temple

Absent

Executive Secretary Dilly

Chancellor Cunningham  
President Berdahl (U. T. Austin)

[On November 21, 1996, Governor George W. Bush named Mrs. Rita Crocker Clements, Dallas, Texas, to membership on the Board of Regents of The University of Texas System for a term to expire on February 1, 2001. Mrs. Clements replaces Mrs. Linnet F. Deily, Houston, Texas, who resigned on November 20, 1996, to accept a position out of state.]

On behalf of the Board, Chairman Rapoport welcomed Regent Clements to membership on the U. T. Board of Regents and stated that the Board looked forward to her counsel in the governance of the U. T. System.

Mrs. Clements expressed her pleasure at being appointed to the Board and indicated her desire to work with the other members of the Board in the best interests of the U. T. System.

In accordance with a notice being duly posted with the Secretary of State and there being a quorum present, Chairman Rapoport called the meeting to order. He announced that the sole purpose of this emergency meeting was to consider a negotiated contract for a prospective gift to The University of Texas at Austin. Chairman Rapoport reported to the Board that this item was of sufficient urgency that it needed to be resolved prior to the end of the 1996 calendar year.

RECESS TO EXECUTIVE SESSION.--The Board recessed to Executive Session in accordance with the Texas Government Code, Chapter 551, Section 551.073 to consider action related to a negotiated contract for a prospective gift to U. T. Austin.

RECONVENE.--Following the Executive Session which recessed at 10:48 a.m., the members of the Board reconvened in open session. Chairman Rapoport noted that in Executive Session the Board had been briefed by Chancellor Cunningham and President Berdahl regarding a negotiated contract for a prospective gift to U. T. Austin and inquired of the Board as to whether there was any suggested action from the floor.

U. T. Austin: Acceptance of a Prospective Gift or Donation and Authorization for President Berdahl to Execute Documents Related Thereto.--Regent Evans moved that the U. T. Board of Regents accept the prospective donation to The University of Texas at Austin under the terms and conditions discussed in Executive Session and that President Berdahl be authorized to execute any and all documents to formalize the acceptance of this most generous gift.

Regents Loeffler and Temple seconded the motion which carried without objection.

ADJOURNMENT.--Chairman Rapoport announced that the purpose for which this meeting was called had been completed and the meeting was duly adjourned at 10:50 a.m.

/s/ Arthur H. Dilly  
Executive Secretary

December 23, 1996