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FRIDAY, MARCH 6, 1998.--The members of the Board of Regents of The University of Texas System convened at 9:33 a.m. on Friday, March 6, 1998, in the Regents' Meeting Room on the ninth floor of Ashbel Smith Hall at 201 West Seventh Street in Austin, Texas, with the following in attendance:

ATTENDANCE.--

Present

Chairman Evans, presiding
Vice-Chairman Loeffler
Vice-Chairman Clements
Regent Lebermann
Regent Oxford
Regent Riter
Regent Smiley

*Absent

Regent Hicks
Regent Sanchez

Executive Secretary Dilly

Chancellor Cunningham
Acting Vice Chancellor Frederick

In accordance with a notice being duly posted with the Secretary of State and there being a quorum present, Chairman Evans called the meeting to order.

RECESS TO EXECUTIVE SESSION.--At 9:36 a.m., Chairman Evans announced that the Board would recess to convene in Executive Session pursuant to Texas Government Code, Chapter 551, Sections 551.071 and 551.074 to consider a medical liability

*Regents Hicks and Sanchez were excused because of previous commitments.

matter at The University of Texas Health Science Center at San Antonio and to review the credentials and interview the following finalist candidates for the presidency of The University of Texas at Tyler:

Dr. Rodney Hugh Mabry
Dean, College of Business Administration
University of Tulsa

Dr. William G. Cale, Jr.
Executive Vice President for Academic Affairs
Lamar University

RECONVENE.--Following the Executive Session which recessed at 1:20 p.m., the members of the Board reconvened in open session. Chairman Evans reported that in Executive Session the Board considered a medical liability matter at the U. T. Health Science Center - San Antonio and interviewed and discussed the credentials of the finalist candidates for the position of President of U. T. Tyler and inquired of the Board as to whether there was any action from the floor.

1. U. T. Health Science Center - San Antonio: Settlement of Medical Liability Litigation - Theresa Rivera.-- Upon motion of Vice-Chairman Loeffler, seconded by Regent Oxford, the Board authorized the Chancellor and the Office of General Counsel to settle, on behalf of The University of Texas Health Science Center at San Antonio, the medical liability litigation brought by Theresa Rivera in accordance with the proposal presented in Executive Session.
2. U. T. Tyler: Appointment of Dr. Rodney Hugh Mabry as President (Chief Administrative Officer) and Approval to Discharge the Advisory Committee for the Selection of a President.--Regent Riter, who served on the Advisory Committee for the Selection of a President for The University of Texas at Tyler, moved that Dr. Rodney Hugh Mabry, currently Dean of the College of Business Administration at the University of Tulsa, be elected President of U. T. Tyler effective at a date and compensation to be negotiated with Chancellor Cunningham and reported to the Board via the usual budgetary procedures. Dr. Mabry was one of the candidates recommended to the Board by the Advisory Committee.

Regent Riter further moved that the Board discharge the Advisory Committee for the Selection of a Chief Administrative Officer for U. T. Tyler with sincere appreciation for the diligence and careful thought it brought to this search process.

Vice-Chairman Loeffler seconded the motions which carried by unanimous vote.

On behalf of the Board, Chairman Evans expressed special appreciation to Regents Riter and Smiley and the other members of the Advisory Committee for their dedicated participation and involvement in providing the Board with exceptional finalist candidates.

Noting that the Board was delighted that Dr. Mabry had accepted the presidency of U. T. Tyler, Chairman Evans, joined by Regent Riter, pointed out that Dr. Mabry is a highly capable academic administrator with a distinguished record both as a scholar and a teacher and has the right combination of experience and talents to provide visionary leadership for U. T. Tyler.

Chairman Evans noted that upon adjournment of the meeting Dr. Mabry would be available to visit with those representing the press.

ADJOURNMENT.--Chairman Evans announced that the purpose for which this meeting was called had been completed and the meeting was duly adjourned at 1:35 p.m.

/s/ Arthur H. Dilly
Executive Secretary

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