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Meeting 272

A special meeting of the SFA Board of Regents was called to order on December 17, 2011, at 1:00 p.m. by Chair Bob Garrett.

PRESENT:

Board Members: Bob Garrett, Chair
                   Scott Coleman
                   James Dickerson
                   Brigettee Henderson
                   Steve McCarty
                   Ralph Todd
                   Connie Ware
                   Sarah Feye, student member

President: Dr. Baker Pattillo

Vice-Presidents: Dr. Richard Berry
                   Mr. Danny Gallant
                   Mr. Steve Westbrook

Other SFA administrators, staff, and visitors

Regent Ken Schaefer was absent.

The board meeting recessed for a meeting of the Finance and Audit Committee. The Finance and Audit Committee convened at 1:00 p.m. and adjourned at 1:35 p.m.

The board meeting returned to open session at 1: 35 p.m.

BOARD ORDER 12-08
Upon motion by Regent Coleman, seconded by Regent Todd, with all members voting aye, it was ordered that the following financial affairs items be approved:

ENTERPRISE RESOURCE PLANNING SYSTEM INFRASTRUCTURE

WHEREAS, the following was considered by the board members: The university's current Enterprise Resource Planning system infrastructure no longer supports current processes and is in need of replacement. Oracle offers a bundled system including hardware and operating system which has the ability to run all of the university's central computer processors. This new system

will not only serve to replace the current antiquated system, but also includes a complete system for disaster recovery. The new system is also scalable to accommodate future growth over several years. Source of funds will be HEF and designated funds.

THEREFORE, the Enterprise Resource Planning solution consisting of both hardware and operating system provided by Oracle was approved. The Board of Regents authorized the president to sign any and all agreements needed to contract for the new system at a cost not to exceed $2.5 million.

LEARNING MANAGEMENT SYSTEM

WHEREAS, the following was considered by the board members: The university currently uses Blackboard Learn Management System. The Office of Instructional Technology (OIT) researched and investigated learning management systems over the past year, including pilot testing and broad consultation with faculty. OIT staff have determined that rather than upgrade to the new version of the Blackboard learning management system, the system offered by Desire to Learn (D2L) would serve the university's needs more effectively. The D2L system includes new hardware and software system. Implementation assistance is also included. This new learning management system may aid the university in achieving its strategic plan goal of improving distance education enrollment. Source of funds will be designated funds.

THEREFORE, Desire 2 Learn was approved as the university's new learning management system. The Board of Regents authorized the president to sign any and all agreements needed to contract for the new system at a cost not to exceed $250,000 for the first year and $200,000 annually for the subsequent two years.

The board recessed to a meeting of the Building and Grounds Committee at 1:40 p.m. The Building and Grounds Committee convened at 1:40 p.m. and adjourned at 3:10 p.m.

The board meeting returned to open session and was adjourned at 3:10 p.m.