# UW System Board of Regents Meeting of the Business & Finance Committee Gordon Dining & Event Center, 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor Sonata Room 770 W Dayton Street, Madison, Wisconsin July 11, 2019

The Meeting of the Business and Finance Committee was called to order at 10:34 AM by the Chair, Regent Mueller. Roll was taken. Regents Mueller, Atwell, Beightol, Delgado, Jones, Levzow, and Peterson were present. The Committee had a quorum. The Chair asked Committee Members to identify any conflicts of interest. Regent Beightol recused himself from voting on Resolution I.2.d.

## I.2.a. Approval of the Minutes of the June 6, 2019 Meeting of the Business and Finance Committee

Upon the motion of Regent Tiedeman and the second of Regent Atwell, the Committee approved the Minutes of the June 6, 2019 Business and Finance Committee meeting.

#### I.2.b. UW-Milwaukee Contractual Agreement with Oxford International Ltd.

This contract was withdrawn from consideration.

#### I.2.c. UW-Milwaukee Contractual Agreement with Wisconsin Electric Power Company

Upon the motion of Regent Jones and the second of Regent Beightol, the Committee approved an agreement with Wisconsin Electric Power Company. Under this sponsored research agreement, the UW-Milwaukee College of Letters and Sciences will provide archeological, architectural, and historical research and perform field activities to inform of potential cultural impacts of Wisconsin Electric Power Company work(s). The term is for six and one-half years and may produce revenues upward of \$4.5m. UW-Milwaukee Chancellor Mark Mone and Vice Chancellor for Finance and Administrative Affairs Robin Van Harpen were on hand to introduce the contract and answer any questions from Committee members.

#### I.2.d. UW-Milwaukee Contractual Agreement with Rockwell Automation Inc.

Upon the motion of Regent Jones and the second of Regent Delgado, the Committee approved an agreement with Rockwell Automation Inc. Regent Beightol recused himself from voting on this agenda item. Under this Master Fee-For-Service agreement with the University,

Rockwell Automation Inc. will establish guidelines and processes under which third parties may become members of the Connected Systems Institute. The term is for five years with Rockwell investing \$2.5m dollars and anticipating an amount exceeding \$1m in contributions for future members. UW-Milwaukee Chancellor Mark Mone, Vice Chancellor for Finance and Administrative Affairs Robin Van Harpen, and Director of Strategic Partnerships Jennifer Gonda were on hand to introduce the contract and answer any questions from Committee members.

#### I.2.e. UW-Madison Contractual Agreement with Viewpoint Therapeutics

Upon the motion of Regent Tiedemann and the second of Regent Peterson, the Committee approved an agreement with Viewpoint Therapeutics. Under this Master Fee-for-Service agreement, UW-Madison's Department of Ophthalmology and Visual Sciences will conduct services related to interpreting ophthalmic images in clinical studies for Viewpoint Therapeutics. The term is five years. UW-Madison Vice Chancellor for Administration and Finance Laurent Heller was on hand to introduce the contract and answer any questions from Committee members.

### I.2.f. UW-Madison Contractual Agreement with Foundation for Food and Agricultural Research, Inari Agriculture Inc., KWS SAAT SE, and Syngenta Crop Protection, LLC Upon the motion of Regent Beightol and the second of Regent Jones, the Committee approved

a Contractual Research Agreement with Foundation for Food and Agricultural Research, Inari Agriculture Inc., KWS SAAT SE, and Syngenta Crop Protection, LLC. Under this Contractual Research Agreement, the University will conduct research focusing on the relationships between genes, traits, and the environment in tolerance of drought. The term is three years with \$1.2m in total consideration. UW-Madison Vice Chancellor for Administration and Finance Laurent Heller was on hand to introduce the contract and answer any questions from Committee members.

#### I.2.g. Title and Total Compensation Update

UW System Senior Associate Vice President and Chief Human Resources Office Shenita Brokenburr and UW-Madison Chief Human Resources Officer Mark Walter gave a status update on the project. Topics included titles and standard job descriptions, market data analysis and validating compensation philosophy, a review of the Employee Benefits Preference Survey, and benefits valuation analysis. The proposed timeline to implementation was shared. The Committee is expecting the next update at the Board of Regents meeting slated for February 2020.

#### I.2.h. Semi-Annual Status Report on Large/Vital Information Technology Projects

Upon the motion of Regent Delgado and the second of Regent Jones, the Committee approved the Semi-Annual Status Report on Large/Vital Information Technology Projects. UW System Administration Associate Vice President and Chief Information Officer Steven Hopper provided an overview and dashboard tool covering nineteen (19) large (projects costing over \$1m) and vital information technology projects underway in the UW System. He reported the majority of projects were moving on time and within budget.

#### I.2.i. Report of the Vice President(s)

Vice President Cramer provided the Committee with written updates regarding ongoing projects, including UW Restructuring and UW-Shared Services and made himself available for follow-up questions. Vice President Nelson informed the Committee of some staffing changes in the Office of Finance and expects the representatives from the State of Wisconsin Investment Board (SWIB) to provide updates at October's Board of Regents meeting.

The meeting adjourned at 11:45 AM.

Respectfully submitted,

Joyce E. Jackson

**Recording Secretary** 

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