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PRESENT: Regents Scott Beightol, Héctor Colón, Michael Grebe, Tracey Klein, Ed Manydeeds, John Miller, Cris Peterson, and Karen Walsh

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**CHARGE TO THE SPECIAL REGENT COMMITTEE ON GOVERNANCE ISSUES**

Regent President Manydeeds thanked committee members for their willingness to serve on the committee and reviewed the committee's charge.

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**REVIEW OF PROPOSED PROCESS AND TIMELINE FOR ADDRESSING ISSUES**

Regent Klein discussed a proposed schedule of meetings and issues that will be addressed at each meeting, noting her interest in meeting monthly and covering each issue included in the committee's charge over the course of two to three meetings.

In response to a question from Regent Grebe, Regents Klein and Manydeeds clarified that the presidential search process would not be addressed by the committee as there is a search ongoing.

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## CHANCELLOR SEARCH PROCESS

Regent Klein called upon Interim Vice President Jeff Buhrandt to provide background information on the current chancellor search process, codified in Regent Policy Document 6-4, and the changes made to the policy and process in recent years.

Following Interim Vice President Buhrandt's presentation, Regent Klein reviewed proposed changes to Regent Policy Document 6-4:

- Specify a minimum number of Regents to serve on the Special Regent Committee for chancellor searches to provide greater flexibility to the Regent President in making appointments to search committees;
- Modify language related to the composition of chancellor search and screen committees to provide greater flexibility to include Regent and non-Regent members of the committee and provide the Regent President greater discretion and flexibility; and
- Modify language related to interim appointees to require the Regent President to provide advance written authorization to allow interim appointees to participate as a candidate for permanent positions.

Regents discussed the proposed changes suggested by Regent Klein, as well as their experience in prior search processes.

Regent Beightol said he would offer a friendly amendment to address the idea that there should be proportionality between Regents and campus members: Regents shall comprise at least 35% of the search and screen committee.

After asking if the committee would vote on the proposal during this meeting or the September meeting of the committee, Regent Grebe said he may want to offer an amendment providing an outer limit to the size of the committee.

Secretary Lathrop asked committee members to forward written versions of any amendments in advance of the September 28 meeting.

Following up on a prior comment from Regent Peterson, Regent Walsh suggested a recommendation to provide training and/or a mentor to a Regent chairing a search committee for the first time.

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The meeting was adjourned at 3:56 p.m.

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Submitted by:

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