

Lincoln, Nebraska  
November 20, 2009

The Board of Regents of the University of Nebraska met on November 20, 2009, at 10:00 a.m. in the Board Room at Varner Hall, 3835 Holdrege, Lincoln, Nebraska, in a publicly convened session, the same being open to the public and having been preceded by advance publicized notice, a copy of which is attached to the minutes of this meeting as Attachment 1.

In compliance with the provisions of *Neb. Rev. Stat.* Section 84-1411, printed notice of this meeting was sent to each member of the Board and was posted in the first floor lobby of Varner Hall. In addition, copies of such notice were sent to the Lincoln Journal Star, Omaha World Herald, the Daily Nebraskan, the Gateway, the Antelope, the Kearney Hub, and the Lincoln office of the Associated Press on November 11, 2009.

Regents present:

Timothy F. Clare  
Randolph M. Ferlic  
Chuck Hassebrook  
Howard Hawks  
Regent McClurg  
Bob Phares, Vice Chairman  
Kent Schroeder, Chairman  
Bob Whitehouse  
Brad Bohn  
Neal Bonacci  
Megan Collins  
Cade Craig

University officials present:

James B. Milliken, President  
Linda Pratt, Executive Vice President and Provost  
Donal J. Burns, Corporation Secretary  
John Christensen, Chancellor, UNO  
Harold Maurer, Chancellor, UNMC  
Harvey S. Perlman, Chancellor, UNL  
David Lechner, Vice President for Business and Finance  
Joel Pedersen, Vice President and General Counsel  
Peter G. Kotsiopoulos, Vice President for University Affairs

Not present:

Douglas A. Kristensen, Chancellor, UNK

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**IV. ADMINISTRATIVE AGENDA**

Motion Moved by Whitehouse and seconded by Hawks to approve item IV-B-1

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IV-B-1 Approve ded

WHEREAS, patients' medical conditions are being improved or outright cured with non-embryonic stem cells while clinical trials show promise of dramatic advances in this field; and

WHEREAS, stem cell research has the potential for important new discoveries in both therapeutic treatment and drug development to treat such common diseases and disorders as Parkinson's disease, spinal cord injury, stroke, burns, heart disease, diabetes, osteoarthritis, and rheumatoid arthritis; and

WHEREAS, federally funded research from the National Institutes of Health (NIH) since 2001 has invested approximately \$3.7 billion on all types of stem cell research (source: <http://www.hhs.gov/asl/testify/2008/05/t20080508c.html> last accessed March 23, 2008); and

WHEREAS, the University of Nebraska Medical Center (UNMC) is nationally known for success with stem cell research, especially with the use of non-embryonic stem cells, which include stem cells harvested from bone marrow, blood, fat, nasal tissue, skin, the umbilical cord, and other places in the body; and

WHEREAS, in 2000, the President of the University of Nebraska established a committee to develop guidelines for human embryonic stem cell research conducted by University of

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Regents of the University of Nebraska, that no research with stem cells derived from human embryos may be conducted unless the stem cell lines used in the research were derived prior to 8 p.m. Central Standard Time on August 9, 2001, and are listed on the human embryonic stem cell registry established by the National Institutes of Health; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Board fully supports and encourages stem cell research that utilizes stem cells from non-embryonic sources, including iPS cells; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that all University of Nebraska policies, guidelines, rules, protocols, or other documents will be revised, as necessary, to comply with this directive.

Comments were made by President Milliken, UNMC Faculty Senate President Karen Honeycutt, Chancellor Maurer, Regent Clare, Regent Phares, Regent Hassebrook, Regent Hawks, Regent Bohn, Regent Whitehouse, Regent Ferlic, Regent McClurg, and Chair Schroeder.

Motion Moved by Clare and seconded by Ferlic to pass the Resolution on stem cell research.

Action Student Opinion: Voting Aye: Collins. Voting No: Craig, Bohn, and Bonacci. Voting Aye: Hawks, Phares, Clare, and Ferlic. Voting No: McClurg, Schroeder, Whitehouse, and Hassebrook. Motion failed.