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**MINUTES OF THE
SPECIAL MEETING OF
THE REGENTS OF THE UNIVERSITY OF NEW MEXICO**

May 5, 2003

The Regents of the University of New Mexico met on Monday, May 5, 2003, 8:00 a.m., at Scholes Hall, the Roberts Room (Room 230) on the UNM campus. A copy of the public notice is on file in the Office of the President.

Regents present:

Jack L. Fortner, Vice President
Andrea L. Cook
James H. Koch
John M. "Mel" Eaves

Also present:

President F. Chris Garcia
Members of the administration, faculty, the media, and others

Regents absent:

Larry D. Willard, President
María Griego-Raby
Sandra K. Begay-Campbell

Regent Jack Fortner presided over the meeting. The Regents first met in closed Executive Session to discuss finalists being considered for the position of president, pursuant to Section 10-15-1-H.(2), NMSA 1978 (limited personnel matters).

Immediately following the Executive session, the Regents met in open session.

Regent Fortner commented on how pleased he was with the openness of the search, the way it is progressing and the positive flow of information. He stated that one of the reasons for today's meeting is to continue in that spirit, to provide information on the next step in the presidential search.

Regent Eaves gave a recap of how the Board reached the point of today's meeting in the presidential search process: the Regents gave a charge to the search committee. The committee was composed of 11 members (three regents, three faculty, one dean (also a faculty member), one staff, two students, one alum). The charge provided for a nationwide search to encourage the best qualified candidates, stated that the search be

consistent with UNM's Affirmative Action and Equal Employment Policies and Principles, and required that the committee list candidates whose skills, qualifications, and personal characteristics most nearly match the statement of qualifications for the presidency (each person listed was required to be eminently qualified and suited for the position of president based upon their personal background experience, references, and other materials considered by the committee). The finalists were required to participate in an extensive and rigorous campus interview process of which all Regents participated. The selection of the five finalists was unanimous. The Regents sought personal opinions from everyone who participated in the interview process. On April 28, 2003, at the end of the process, the Regents met in closed session at which time they were presented a summary of the evaluations submitted by persons who had participated in the interviews of the candidates. On April 28, the Regents all expressed an interest in California State University Vice Chancellor Louis Caldera. Following this unanimous interest, Regent Willard and Regent Eaves were asked by the Regents to engage in confidential, preliminary discussions with Vice Chancellor Caldera. Those discussions occurred last week. Regent Griego-Raby also participated. Regent Eaves stated the discussions were favorable and led the Regents to move to the next step that is occurring today. He continued by stressing that all Regents are in agreement and in favor of moving forward.

Regent Eaves moved for approval of the adoption of a Resolution. Copies of the Resolution were distributed to those present and Regent Eaves read the Resolution, as follows:

RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF REGENTS
UNIVERSITY OF NEW MEXICO

WHEREAS, the University of New Mexico has been engaged in a search for a new President of the University; and

WHEREAS, over the past four weeks, five excellent finalists have visited the University Campus, participated in open forums for students, faculty, staff and the community, and have been interviewed by the Board of Regents; and

WHEREAS, the members of the Board of Regents have reviewed evaluations of the candidates received after the open forums and have met to discuss the qualifications of the five finalists.

THEREFORE, IT IS RESOLVED that Regent Vice-President Fortner (in the absence of Regent President Willard) and Regent Eaves are authorized to engage in non-binding discussions to determine whether the Board of Regents will extend an offer to presidential candidate Louis Caldera and to determine the terms and conditions under which he would accept an offer to be President of the University of New Mexico; and

IT IS FURTHER RESOLVED that Regents Fortner and Eaves are not authorized to take any final action on selection of the President, but Regents Fortner and Eaves shall report the results of these discussions to the Board of Regents at a closed, executive session of the Board of Regents to be held at noon on May 13, 2002, followed by a public meeting at 1:00 p.m. at which time the Board of Regents intends to take final action to select the President. Separate notice of the meetings on May 13 will be made pursuant to the New Mexico Open Meetings Act.

APPROVED BY A VOTE OF _____ IN FAVOR AND _____ OPPOSED, this 5th day of May, 2003.

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Regent Cook seconded the motion.

Regent Fortner asked for any discussion. It was then discovered and noted that a typographical error had been made on the date of the year (2002) in Paragraph 5 of the Resolution.

Regent Eaves amended his motion to approve the adoption of the Amended Resolution with the corrected date to 2003.

Voice vote was taken and Board members unanimously approved. Motion carried.

A copy of the Amended Resolution is hereby made a part of these minutes as Exhibit A.

Regent Fortner announced that the meeting would adjourn, after which time the Regents would be available for questions.

ADJOURNMENT

Regent Koch moved to adjourn the meeting. Regent Cook seconded the motion. Voice vote was taken and Board members unanimously approved. Motion carried.

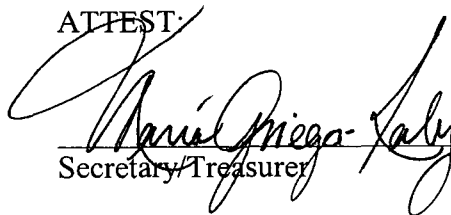
A question and answer period followed between Regents and members of the audience.

APPROVED:



President

ATTEST:



Secretary/Treasurer

BOARD OF REGENTS
UNIVERSITY OF NEW MEXICO

AGENDA

Emergency Meeting, May 5, 2003, 8:00 am, Room 230, Scholes Hall

1. Closed session to discuss finalists being considered for the position of president, pursuant to Section 10-15-1-H.(2), NMSA 1978 (limited personnel matters).
2. Open session: update on the presidential search, which may include authorizing some preliminary steps leading to the final selection of a president at a subsequent meeting. No final action will be taken on the selection of a president at this meeting.

EXHIBIT A

--AMENDED--

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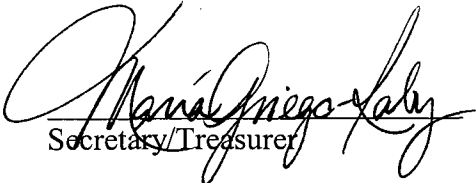
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Secretary/Treasurer