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Austin, Texas
THURSDAY, DECEMBER 17, 1998.--The members of the Board of Regents of The University of Texas System convened via telephone conference call and in person (Chairman Evans) at 8:30 a.m. on Thursday, December 17, 1998, on the ninth floor of Ashbel Smith Hall at 201 West Seventh Street in Austin, Texas, with the following in attendance:

ATTENDANCE.--

Present
Chairman Evans, presiding
Vice-Chairman Loeffler
Vice-Chairman Clements
Regent Hicks
Regent Lebermann
Regent Riter

Absent
Regent Oxford
Regent Sanchez
Regent Smiley

Executive Secretary Frederick
Chancellor Cunningham
Executive Vice Chancellor Mullins

In accordance with a notice being duly posted with the Secretary of State and there being a quorum present, Chairman Evans called the meeting to order.

RECESS TO EXECUTIVE SESSION.--At 8:30 a.m., Chairman Evans announced that the Board would recess to convene in Executive Session pursuant to Texas Government Code, Chapter 551, Section 551.074 to consider action related to the appointment of a chief administrative officer (president) at The University of Texas Health Center at Tyler, a matter of sufficient urgency that action was needed prior to the regular meeting of the Board on February 11, 1999.

*Regents Oxford, Sanchez, and Smiley were excused.
RECONVENE.--Following the Executive Session which recessed at 8:32 a.m., the members of the Board reconvened in open session. Chairman Evans reported that in Executive Session the Board discussed the appointment of Ronald F. Garvey, M.D., as President of the U. T. Health Center - Tyler and inquired of the Board as to whether there was any action from the floor.

U. T. Health Center - Tyler: Appointment of Ronald F. Garvey, M.D., as President Effective Immediately and Approval to Discharge the Special Committee for the Selection of a Chief Administrative Officer.--At the meeting on November 11, 1998, the U. T. Board of Regents provided public notice, as required by law, that it was advancing Ronald F. Garvey, M.D., as the sole candidate for consideration as President of The University of Texas Health Center at Tyler under special presidential selection procedures as detailed in the Regents’ Rules and Regulations, Part One, Chapter II, Section 13, Subsection 13.1, Subdivision 13.14, and Chairman Evans appointed a Special Committee to evaluate Dr. Garvey’s candidacy.

Regent Riter moved that Ronald F. Garvey, M.D., currently Acting President at the U. T. Health Center - Tyler, be selected President of that institution effective immediately, with compensation and benefits commensurate with the responsibilities of the office, to be negotiated by Executive Vice Chancellor Mullins and reported to the Board via the usual budgetary procedures.

Regent Riter further moved that the Board discharge the Special Committee with sincere appreciation for the diligence and careful thought it brought to this search process.

Regent Lebermann seconded the motions which carried without objection.

Chairman Evans noted that Dr. Garvey had amply demonstrated in the past year that he is eminently qualified for this important leadership role and the Board is fortunate to have an administrator of his broad experience and extraordinary skills.
The membership of the Special Committee is herewith reported for the record as set forth below:

Special Committee for the Selection of a Chief Administrative Officer for The University of Texas Health Center at Tyler

U. T. System Administration Representatives

Chancellor William H. Cunningham
Executive Vice Chancellor for Health Affairs Charles B. Mullins (Chairman)

U. T. System Chief Administrative Officers

John P. Howe, III, M.D., President, The University of Texas Health Science Center at San Antonio
Kern Wildenthal, M.D., President, The University of Texas Southwestern Medical Center at Dallas

Faculty Representatives

David Griffith, M.D., Professor of Medicine, Specialty Care Services
Steven Idell, M.D., Ph.D., Chief, Specialty Care Services, Associate Director of Clinical Research
Richard S. Kronenberg, M.D., Executive Associate Director for Clinical Affairs
Dr. Barry Peterson, Professor of Physiology, Chairman, Research Faculty Assembly

Nonfaculty Representatives

Ms. Susan Brown, Nursing Care Coordinator
Ms. Elaine Wells, Director of Library Services

Community/External Representatives

Mr. Herb Buie
Mr. Wade Ridley
ADJOURNMENT.--Prior to adjournment, Chairman Evans expressed appreciation to Regent Hicks and Mr. Charles Tate, President of Hicks, Muse, Tate & Furst Incorporated, Dallas, Texas, on their leadership in acquiring the Alamo Diary for the benefit of The University of Texas at Austin.

Chairman Evans announced that the purpose for which this meeting was called had been completed and the meeting was duly adjourned at 8:40 a.m.

/s/ Francie A. Frederick
Executive Secretary

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