MINUTES OF THE SPRING MEETING
BOARD OF TRUSTEES
THE UNIVERSITY OF TENNESSEE

April 26, 2001
Martin, Tennessee

The spring meeting of the Board of Trustees of The University of Tennessee was held at 1:00 p.m., Thursday, April 26, 2001, in the Ballroom of the Boling University Center, UT Martin.

I. CALL TO ORDER AND INVOCATION

Mrs. Johnnie D. Amonette, Vice Chair of the Board, called the meeting to order, and Mr. William B. Sansom gave the invocation.

II. ROLL CALL

The Secretary called the roll, and the following were present:

Mrs. Johnnie Amonette
Mrs. Barbara C. Castleman
Dr. Maurice Field
Dr. J. Wade Gilley
Mr. Robert Hamilton
Mr. James A. Haslam, II
Mr. Waymon L. Hickman
Mrs. Rhynette N. Hurd
Mr. Jerry L. Jackson
Mr. D. Lynn Johnson
Mr. Frank J. Kinser
Mrs. Andrea J. Loughry
Mr. R. Clayton McWhorter
Mr. Arnold E. Perl
Dr. Richard Rhoda
Mr. William B. Sansom
Commissioner Dan Wheeler
Mrs. Susan R. Williams

The Secretary announced that a quorum was present.
Without objection, Vice Chair Amonette altered the Order of Business to allow Finance and Administration Vice Chair Clayton McWhorter to present the agenda item relating to the Health Science Center while special guests from Baptist Memorial Health Care Corporation were in attendance.

III. REPORT ON HEALTH SCIENCE CENTER. Clayton McWhorter, Vice Chair of the Finance Committee, asked Vice President William Rice to introduce special guests from the Baptist Memorial Health Care Corporation. Mr. Rice said the University of Tennessee Health Science Center has received a donation of a thirty-year, no-cost lease of property from the Health Care Corporation consisting of four professional office buildings, a parking garage and associated surface parking lots. Mr. Rice introduced Mr. Steve Reynolds, President and CEO of the Baptist Memorial Health Care Corporation.

Mr. Reynolds introduced Chairman of the Baptist Memorial Health Care Corporation corporate board, Mr. Milton Magee. He also introduced Mr. Jim Glasgow, Mr. Billy Carey, Mr. David Hogan, Mr. Jerry Brantley, and Mr. Scott Fountain who were instrumental in making the gift a reality. Mr. Reynolds said the Baptist Memorial Health Care Corporation has been a partner with the UT Health Science Center for decades in patient care, research and graduate medical education and looks forward to a continuing relationship.

Mr. Rice recommended the University administration be authorized to go forward with a letter of intent and lease of the University portion of the gift form Baptist Memorial Hospital Care Corporation.

Mr. Perl moved that the Board approve the proposal as outlined by Chancellor Rice in the Finance Committee meeting and the full Board meeting that the administration of the University and the Health Science Center to enter into a non-binding Letter of Intent to negotiate a 30-year agreement for the lease of certain properties owned by Baptist Memorial Hospital Health Care Corporation with the understanding that such lease will be subject to all appropriate and required University and State approvals and that such lease will not need to be brought back to this Board for approval. The motion was seconded by Mrs. Rhynette N. Hurd and carried with Mrs. Susan R. Williams and Mr. R. Clayton McWhorter abstaining.

IV. INTRODUCTIONS AND PRESENTATIONS

President J. Wade Gilley introduced Dr. Loren Crabtree, who will assume the responsibilities of Provost on July 1, and Dr. Peter Alfonso, newly appointed Associate Vice President for Research. Dr. Gilley introduced Dr. Richard Chesteen, President of the UT Martin Faculty Senate and Mr. Clint Young, President of the UT Martin Student Government Association, both of whom made brief remarks welcoming Trustees to Martin.
V. ADOPTION OF RESOLUTION OF RECOGNITION

Mr. R. Clayton McWhorter recommended that adoption of the Resolution recognizing Mr. Amon Carter Evans be postponed until June and that Mr. Evans be invited to attend the meeting and receive the Resolution in person. Mr. Evans had planned to be in Martin but was unavoidably detained.

VI. REPORT OF THE PRESIDENT. President J. Wade Gilley referred Trustees to a memorandum describing the past year’s accomplishments (Exhibit 1). Dr. Gilley said UT Martin is a campus with enormous potential for students not only in West Tennessee but throughout the country with its new on-line degree program. He said the Baptist Memorial Health Care Corporation gift will dramatically improve research and instructional facilities in Memphis and will tie the University and the State in an important economic initiative. Dr. Gilley said important progress has been made and a number of exciting initiatives are underway on each of the University’s campuses, but challenges remain ahead. He introduced Dr. Nick Dunagan, newly elected Chancellor of The University of Tennessee at Martin, for his report on the Martin campus.

VII. UT MARTIN REPORT. Dr. Nick Dunagan thanked the Board for allowing the Martin campus to host its spring meeting. He introduced Dr. Phil Davis, Chair of the Department of Chemistry, and Michael Fultz, a Clayton McWhorter Honor Scholarship student from Clarksville, for a demonstration. Chancellor Dunagan said the primary intent of the demonstration was to show the importance of interaction between faculty and students. He said one of the future challenges facing UTM will be replacing retiring faculty members like Dr. Davis. Dr. Dunagan said the interaction between faculty and students is the hallmark of all great undergraduate institutions.

Dr. Dunagan introduced a brief video that will be used as a recruiting tool to help maintain a stable enrollment at The University of Tennessee at Martin.

VIII. APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES OF PRIOR MEETINGS

Mr. James A. Haslam moved approval of the minutes of the February 22, 2001 winter Board meeting, the March 8, 2001 Executive Committee meeting, and the April 9, 2001 Executive committee meeting. Mrs. Susan R. Williams seconded, and the motion carried unanimously.

IX. UNFINISHED BUSINESS.

The Secretary reported there was no unfinished business to come before the Board.
X. NEW BUSINESS.

A. REPORT OF THE FINANCE AND ADMINISTRATION COMMITTEE

1. 2000-2001 Budget Update. Mr. R. Clayton McWhorter moved approval of the 2000-2001 budget update as distributed to Trustees and as recommended by the Finance and Administration Committee (Exhibit 2). The motion carried unanimously.

2. Approval of Proposal to Name UT Martin Skyhawks Stadium. Mr. R. Clayton McWhorter moved approval of the proposal as recommended by the Finance and Administration Committee to name the UT Martin Skyhawks football stadium in honor of Hardy Moore Graham in recognition of his longstanding and generous financial support of UT Martin (Exhibit 3). The motion carried unanimously.

3. Approval of Resolution Concerning The University of Tennessee Foundation. Mr. R. Clayton McWhorter moved approval of the Resolution concerning The University of Tennessee Foundation (Exhibit 4) as recommended by the Finance and Administration Committee. The motion carried unanimously.

4. Approval to Convey Easements to the Knoxville Utility Board. Mr. R. Clayton McWhorter moved to approve conveyance of a utility easement (Exhibit 5) in Knoxville, Tennessee, to the Knoxville Utilities Board as recommended by the Finance and Administration Committee. The motion carried unanimously.

5. Filing of Liaison Committee Minutes. Mr. R. Clayton McWhorter moved acceptance of minutes filed for the UT Bowld Hospital Liaison Committee meeting held February 21, 2001 (Exhibit 6) as accepted and forwarded by the Finance and Administration Committee. The motion carried unanimously.

Mr. William B. Sansom recommended the Board prepare a Resolution thanking the representatives of the Baptist Memorial Health Care Corporation for their gift to The University of Tennessee Health Science Center. Mr. Haslam made the motion, Mr. Lynn Johnson seconded, and the motion carried unanimously.

A. REPORT OF THE ACADEMIC PROGRAMS AND PLANNING COMMITTEE

1. Approval of Proposal for new PhD with a Major in Natural Resources. Committee Vice Chair Frank Kinser moved to approve the proposal for a new PhD with a Major in Natural Resources as
recommended by the Academic Programs and Planning Committee (Exhibit 7). The motion carried unanimously.

B. REPORT OF THE FACULTY AND STUDENT COUNCIL. Council Chair Susan R. Williams reported the Council heard reports from two recipients of the newly established Trustees Scholarship and from two Clayton McWhorter Scholarship recipients. She said they also heard from Mr. Gerald Autry, plant manager for Goodyear in Union City, who explained that Goodyear and UT Martin are entering into a unique partnership because of the difficulty Goodyear has faced finding engineers. Goodyear’s current employees who are interested in becoming engineers attend UT Martin and obtain engineering degrees at Goodyear’s expense if a specific grade point average is maintained.

C. REPORT OF THE ADVANCEMENT AND OUTREACH COUNCIL. Council Chair Arnold Perl reported the Council heard reports from Dr. Jack Britt and Mr. Jerry Gresham on agricultural extension activities. Reports on federal and state legislative relations were also presented.

D. 1. REPORT OF THE UT CHATTANOOGA LIAISON COMMITTEE. Committee Chair Frank Kinser reported that the UTC Liaison Committee recently heard the results of management changes that have affected enrollment management and enrollment retention in Chattanooga. He also reported on the status of construction projects on the Chattanooga campus.

2. REPORT OF THE UT MARTIN LIAISON COMMITTEE. Committee Chair Jerry Jackson said previous presentations by faculty, students and staff at UT Martin reflect the excitement and positive attitudes that are present on the Martin campus after the selection of Dr. Nick Dunagan as Chancellor. Mr. Jackson noted that important future needs in Martin include an addition to Brehm Hall which houses the agriculture and biology programs.

X. OTHER BUSINESS

The Secretary announced the remaining meetings for 2001:

1. Annual meeting in Knoxville: June 27-28, 2001
2. Fall meeting in Knoxville: October 4-5, 2001
XI. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to come before the Board, the meeting was adjourned.

Catherine S. Mizell
Vice President, General Counsel and Secretary