

MINUTES OF THE SPECIAL MEETING

BOARD OF TRUSTEES

THE UNIVERSITY OF TENNESSEE

April 2, 1998
Martin, Tennessee

The Board of Trustees of The University of Tennessee met in special session at 4:30 p.m. Central Standard Time, Thursday, April 2, 1998 by telephone conference call originating from the Fulton Theatre of the Fine and Performing Arts Center, The University of Tennessee at Martin. The following members were present:

Mrs. Martha Butterfield
Mrs. Barbara C. Castleman
Mr. Charles E. Coffey
Mr. J. Steven Ennis
Mr. Amon Carter Evans
Mr. James A. Haslam, II
Mr. E. Carl Johnson
Dr. Joseph E. Johnson
Mr. Tom Kerney
Mr. Frank J. Kinser
Mr. R. Clayton McWhorter
Mr. William B. Sansom
Ms. Sharmelle Thomas
Commissioner Jane Walters
Mrs. Susan Williams

The Secretary announced a quorum was present.

Mr. William B. Sansom, Vice Chairman of the Board, called the meeting to order and called on Mr. James A. Haslam, II, Chairman of the Executive Committee.

Recommendation of the Executive Committee. Mr. Haslam said the untimely death of long-time Trustee Tom Elam created a vacancy from West Tennessee on the UT Athletics Board. He made a motion that the Executive Committee recommend to the full Board Mrs. Johnnie Amonette to fill the vacancy. The motion was seconded by Mrs. Susan Williams and carried unanimously.

Mr. Sansom called on Dr. Joseph E. Johnson for presentation of the following items.

Adoption of Resolution Honoring Colonel Tom Elam. Dr. Johnson said Colonel Elam's advice and sharp wit have been a part of UT Board meetings for 42 years. The contributions made to The University of Tennessee by Colonel Elam and his wife, Kathleen, have been numerous

during his tenure as a Trustee and a member of the Athletics Board. His presence will be sorely missed, but the results of his work will benefit Tennesseans for generations.

Mr. James A. Haslam, II moved the adoption of the Resolution (Exhibit 1) honoring Colonel Tom Elam. The motion was seconded by Mrs. Susan Williams and unanimously carried.

Appointment of Trustee to UT Athletics Board. Dr. Johnson said the filling of the vacancy created on the Athletics Boards created by Colonel Elam's death has been considered by the Executive Committee. Mr. James A. Haslam, II made the motion that Mrs. Johnnie Amonette be appointed to fill the Athletics Board vacancy. The motion was seconded by Mr. Carl Johnson and unanimously carried.

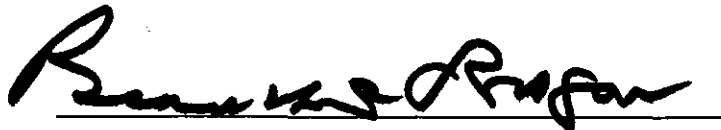
Approval of Recommendation for Chancellor, The University of Tennessee at Martin. Dr. Johnson said following Margaret Perry's retirement as Chancellor of The University of Tennessee at Martin a search committee staffed by Senior Vice President Homer Fisher was appointed. The search committee was made up of community leaders, faculty and staff members and local UT Trustees. Numerous applications were received and considered, after which six candidates, including one internal candidate, were invited for interviews. Following the interviews, the search committee recommended three candidates to be considered by Dr. Johnson. Those candidates included Dr. Tom Armstrong from Texas Wesleyan, Dr. Philip Conn from Dickson University in North Dakota and Dr. Bob Smith from The University of Tennessee at Martin. After thoughtful consideration, Dr. Johnson said his recommendation for Chancellor of The University of Tennessee at Martin is Dr. Philip W. Conn. He made the following motion:

That the Board of Trustees elect Dr. Philip W. Conn as Chancellor, The University of Tennessee at Martin effective July 1, 1998.

The motion was seconded by Mr. R. Clayton McWhorter and unanimously carried.

Dr. and Mrs. Conn joined the meeting. Dr. Conn thanked the Trustees for the confidence shown in him through his election. He indicated his desire to move promptly to the campus community and become involved in the work at hand.

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



Beauchamp E. Brogan
Secretary