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APPROVED MINUTES
Conference Call
June 11, 2002

**Members Present** 

Blake Hall, President Rod Lewis, Secretary Paul Agidius Karen McGee Jim Hammond, Vice President Marilyn Howard, State Superintendent Darrell Manning Laird Stone

Board President Hall called the meeting to order at 4:05PM (MT). There was general consensus to proceed with the agenda as written.

## I. Final Reading: Governing Policies & Procedures, Section II.N. Financial Exigency

Staff reviewed the revised policies and noted the changes that were made from first to final reading. The most significant change requires that the presidents seek advice from a campus committee in devising their plan for response to a declared financial exigency.

Staff also notified the Board that faculty had expressed interest in extending the notification time for tenured faculty to a full year. Barbara Adamcik, a faculty member from ISU, confirmed faculty interest in notification of at least a year before a layoff. UI faculty member Ron Smelser explained that faculty would be satisfied with an addition of the following statement, "The granting of at least a year of notice to tenured faculty members should be given high financial priority." He explained that the addition of this statement would further align the Board policy with the American Association of University Professor guidelines.

A discussion ensued regarding addition of this statement to the policy. It was noted that a statement already exists on in item 5.b.(2), which provides that each institution should make every reasonable effort to give as much notice as practical to each employee, and then provides for only minimum times of notice, which could be extended as appropriate and necessary by each institution. It was also noted that if a year's notice is required, it could in essence default to almost two years depending on when exigency is declared. Discussion continued on whether Summer semester should be designated in policy as Fall and Spring semester are, and whether the Board should declare null and void all existing institutional policies related to financial exigency or simply recognize them as subordinate to the Board's policy.

MS (Manning / Hammond): To approve for final reading the changes to Board Policy & Procedures, Section II.N related to financial exigency, and to declare all existing policies and

procedures of any institution, school, or agency concerning financial exigency, and all references to financial exigency in any institution, school, or agency policy or procedure are null and void. Further, the chief executive officers are directed to take all necessary action to implement this policy.

## The motion passed unanimously.

Having no further business, the Board adjourned at 4:40PM (MT).