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M121. The Board of Regents of Texas Tech University met by telephone conference call on Thursday, March 30, 1989, at 10:10 a.m. with a speaker telephone in the Board meeting room on campus. Present by telephone were: Mr. J. Fred Bucy, Chairman, Dr. Wm. Gordon McGee, Vice Chairman, Mr. Jerry Ford, Mr. Rex Fuller, Mr. J. L. Gulley, Jr., Mr. Carey Hobbs, Mr. Larry D. Johnson, Mr. J. L. "Rocky" Johnson, Mr. Wesley W. Masters, and Mr. Wendell Mayes, Jr.

Attending in the Board room were: Mr. Pat Campbell, Vice President and General Counsel, Ms. Betty DeWitt, Associate General Counsel, Office of Vice President and General Counsel; Dr. Colette Murray, Vice President, Ms. Frances Lowe, Information Specialist, Office of Development; Dr. C. Len Ainsworth, Vice Provost for Academic Affairs; Mr. Max Tomlinson, Interim Vice President for Fiscal Affairs, Ms. Lisa Bradway, Assistant Vice President for Finance, Office of Fiscal Affairs; Mr. Fred J. Wehmeyer, Associate Vice President for Plant Services; Mr. Clyde J. Morganti, Executive Assistant to the President, Office of the President; Dean Frank Newton, Mr. J. Hadley Edgar, Professor, School of Law; Dr. Margaret Simon, Director, Ms. Chris Patterson, Ms. Kippie Hopper, Mr. Steve Kauffman, Office of University News and Publications; Mr. Richard Murray, Associate Director of HSC Relations, Texas Tech University Health Sciences Center; Dr. Michael Stoune, President, Faculty Senate; and Mrs. Freda Pierce, Secretary of the Board.

Others present were: Mr. Shane Woodard, President of Student Association; Mr. Ian Halperin, University Daily; Ms. Kim Davis, Lubbock Avalanche-Journal; Ms. Wendy Lano, Associated Press; Ms. Kathleen McDonald, KCBD; Ms. Valerie Avery, Mr. Curtis Parrich, KAMC-TV; Ms. Sonya Hernandez Ivan and Mr. Bill Woodard, KLBK-TV.

M122. Chairman Bucy called the meeting to order, and called the roll of the Regents. All were present except Mr. Ford, who joined prior to any action. Mr. Bucy then made the following statement: "This process started with the first meeting of the Select Committee, and there have been more than 150 candidates considered. We have had outstanding participation and support of the faculty, students, ex-students, alumni, administration, and the Lubbock community, and, of course, the Board of Regents. Hundreds, if not thousands of hours have been spent and thousands of miles have been traveled during this process by many people dedicated to finding the best qualified person to lead our University and Health Sciences Center to a higher level of performance and worldwide

recognition. It is my perception that the Board of Regents is ready to make a decision, and therefore, I recommend that Dr. Robert W. Lawless be nominated for President of Texas Tech University. Is there a motion?"

M123. The following motion was made by Mr. Mayes, seconded by Mr. Masters: RESOLVED, that Dr. Robert W. Lawless be elected President of Texas Tech University effective the first day of July, 1989, and further that he be designated officially as President-elect between now and that date, and as President-elect, to have such privileges and responsibilities as might be consistent with that designation and that actual assumption of the Presidency be on July 1, 1989, and that during this time as President-elect, he serve without compensation.

M124. Mr. Bucy stated that the nomination has been made and seconded that Dr. Robert W. Lawless be elected President of Texas Tech University effective July 1, 1989, that he be designated as the President-elect until that time, serving without compensation. He inquired if there were other nominations. Mr. Masters moved that the nominations cease, seconded by Mr. Hobbs, and the motion was approved. Chairman Bucy then asked if anyone was abstaining, and if so, to say, "Present." There was no response. He then called the roll for each vote:

Wendell Mayes, Jr.	Aye
Carey Hobbs	Aye
Rex Fuller	Aye
Wesley Masters	Aye
Dr. Gordon McGee	Aye
J. L. Gulley, Jr.	Aye
Larry Johnson	Aye
Jerry Ford	Aye
Fred Bucy	Aye.

M125. Mr. Bucy stated: "Well, gentlemen, we have elected a President, and it is with pleasure that I congratulate Dr. Lawless. He will be on campus this coming Monday. His schedule would not allow him to be there before then, but there will be a press conference at 10 a.m. this coming Monday in the Board room where he will meet the press. So, thanks to all of you, the regents, the administration, the faculty, the students, the alumni, the Lubbock community, and all of our many supporters for your unfailing and unselfish efforts, and my particular thanks goes to our Interim President, Bess Haley, who will remain on the job until July 1, 1989."

M126. The regents welcomed Mr. Rocky Johnson to the Board, and expressed that they would miss Jerry Ford.

M127. Chairman Bucy stated that the meeting was adjourned.

(Mrs.) Freda Pierce, Secretary

I, Freda Pierce, the duly appointed and qualified Secretary of the Board of Regents, hereby certify that the above and foregoing is a true and correct copy of the Minutes of Texas Tech University Board of Regents special meeting on March 30, 1989.

(Mrs.) Freda Pierce, Secretary

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