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The Indiana State University Board of Trustees met in special session at 10:00 a.m. on Saturday, February 19, 2000, in the State Room, Tirey Hall.

Trustees present: Dr. Benway, Mr. Bonds, Mr. Buttrey, Mr. Dooley, Mrs. House, Mr. Smith, Mr. Wooden and Dr. Zietlow. Trustee absent: Mr. Stelle.

Vice Presidents Quatroche, Schafer, Schultz and Interim Vice President Elsey were present. Also attending were William Crichfield, Chief Financial Officer and Treasurer, Peter Carino, Chairperson, University Faculty Senate, Melony Sacopulos, University Counsel and Donald Bonsall, Vice Chairperson of the Support Staff Council.

There being a quorum present, Dr. Zietlow called the meeting to order at 10:00 a.m. She commented that the purpose of this special meeting was to select the 10th President of Indiana State University.

A. Presidential Search Process

Mrs. House reviewed the procedures followed in the presidential search. The search process began with an organizational meeting on August 31, and additional meetings were held to agree on the presidential prospectus. Mr. Ron Stead from Academic Search Consultant Service served as a consultant and spent three days on campus meeting with various constituencies at ISU and in the community.

A sub-committee of the Presidential Search Committee narrowed the original field of candidates to approximately nineteen. The entire Presidential Search Committee met in executive session to further reduce the list. Nine candidates were selected for interviews at the Holiday Inn Airport in Indianapolis. At the close of the evening on January 16, the search committee submitted six names to the Trustees for consideration. The Trustees then met in executive session in Indianapolis on Monday, January 17, and selected Dr. Lloyd Benjamin, Dr. Samuel Kirkpatrick and Dr. Richard Ringeisen for on campus interviews. The three finalists and spouses were invited to the campus and provided an opportunity to gain a better understanding of ISU and the community.

Following on campus interviews the search committee met for a final time in executive session on Friday, February 11, to further discuss reference checks, additional materials and comments received during the campus interviews.

The Trustees then met in executive session in Indianapolis on Monday, February 14, to receive final input from the search committee and review input from the on campus interviews.

Mrs. House expressed appreciation to the Search Committee for the excellent job and cooperation. Numerous hours were spent reading and checking references. She gave special thanks to Mrs. Jo Einsteadig who spent time assisting her. She also acknowledged the assistance of Candy Barton who was the support person on campus. Lastly, she called attention to the mutual respect and cooperation of the search committee in all search committee meetings and proceedings.

On behalf of the Board Dr. Zietlow thanked Barbara House for the excellent job in leading the search committee. She then recognized the other members of the search committee: Charles DeMaio, Robert Puckett, Jerry Einsteadig, Joseph Weixlmann, Gordon Minty, Scot Davis, Wandell Gabey, Ronald Dunbar, Esther Acree, David Sponsel, Robert Schafer, Marilyn Schultz, Jerry Dooley and Michael Benway. Dr. Zietlow felt the search committee had done an excellent job in bringing to the campus and the Board of Trustees three people who could have all done an excellent job.

B. Selection of the 10th President of ISU

Mrs. House said it was a distinct pleasure for her to nominate Dr. Lloyd W. Benjamin, III, as the 10th President of Indiana State University. Dr. Benway seconded the nomination motion. Dr. Zietlow called for the vote and the motion passed unanimously. Dr. Zietlow was authorized to offer the position to Dr. Lloyd W. Benjamin, III, whom she described as a man of vision and experience.

Dr. Zietlow adjourned the meeting at 10:10 a.m.