AGENDA

1. CALL TO ORDER/ROLL CALL

2. ACTION ITEM

a. EOU, Appointment of Interim President

A special Board meeting will be convened on July 18, 2007, via teleconferencing, for the purpose of selecting an Interim President of Eastern Oregon University. Chancellor George Pernsteiner recommends that Dr. Dixie Lund be named Interim President of EOU. This appointment is to become effective August 1, 2007, and continue until a new president has been appointed. A well-known and respected former interim president, dean, and faculty member at Eastern, Lund will be coming out of retirement to serve as interim president.

Background
When the appointment is approved, Lund will succeed Dr. Khosrow Fatemi. A long-time presence at Eastern Oregon University, Lund previously served as interim president for a year beginning in June 2003 after the departure of former EOU president Dr. Philip Creighton. Lund served for a decade as dean in EOU’s Division of Distance Education and held several other positions at EOU during her 30+ year tenure at Eastern.

As Dean of the Division of Distance Education, Lund was instrumental in expanding EOU's on-line and remote education programs across the entire state. Currently, EOU has statewide offices in 18 cities and towns. Under Lund’s leadership, Oregonians living in remote areas of the state gained access to higher education degree programs, which in the past had only been available by attending a “traditional” campus.

Lund came to EOU as an instructor in the Division of Social Science and Business in 1973, having also obtained her B.S. in Secondary Business Education there that same year. Lund went on to obtain an Ed.M. in Adult Education from Oregon State University in 1984, and her Ed.D. in Postsecondary Educational Leadership from Portland State University in 1989. During her tenure at EOU, Lund held various teaching and coordinator positions in business, humanities, general studies, and distance learning. In 1994 she was named dean of EOU’s Division of Distance Education, and grew on-line education for the university to the point where it is a model in Oregon and in other states.
that contend with remote, rural access to higher education. Active in the local La Grande community, Lund also received the EOU Woman of Courage and Vision Award and, in 2002, received the Oregon Women in Higher Education Service Award.

Staff Recommendation to the Board
Staff recommends that the Board appoint Dr. Dixie Lund as Interim President of EOU, to be effective August 1, 2007, and continue until a new president has been appointed.

(Board action required.)

3. ADJOURNMENT