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**University System of Maryland Board of Regents
University of Maryland University College
December 9, 2011**

Minutes of the Public Session

Call to Order. Chairman Johnson called the Special meeting of the University System of Maryland Board of Regents to order at 2:01 p.m. on Friday, December 9, 2011 at University of Maryland University College. Those in attendance were: Chairman Johnson, Regents Attman, Gonzales, Gossett, Hance, Kelly, Kinkopf, McMillen, Shea, Vance, Wojciechowski, and Young. Regents Augustine, Florestano, and Gooden participated by conference call. Also in attendance were: Chancellor Kirwan, Vice Chancellors Goldstein, Hogan, Raley, and Vivona; Assistant Attorney General Faulk; Ms. Doyle, Ms. Ryan and USM staff.

1. Committee of the Whole.

- a. Proposed Policy on the Reporting of Suspected Child Abuse and Neglect. Chancellor Kirwan called on Ms. Goedert to provide an overview of the proposed policy. Ms. Goedert described the provisions of the policy which sets out the reporting requirements and process applicable to USM employees and others and identifies a core set of measures to be taken by each institution to support full reporting. (Moved by Chairman Johnson, seconded by Regent Young, unanimously approved.)
- b. Response to the 2011 Joint Chairman's Report Language - Board of Regents Report on a Study Examining the Advantages and Disadvantages of Merging University of Maryland, College Park and University of Maryland, Baltimore. Chairman Johnson called on Chancellor Kirwan to present the report. Chancellor Kirwan described the study process, guiding principles and the conclusions and decisions he was recommending to the BOR. Chancellor Kirwan called upon Presidents Loh and Perman to comment on the process and report. (Moved by Regent Kelly, seconded by Regent Attman, unanimously approved.)

The meeting adjourned at 2:43 p.m.