



11/5/2015

**SCHEDULE AND AGENDA FOR  
REGULAR BOARD OF REGENTS' MEETING  
THE TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY SYSTEM**

Thursday, November 12, 2015  
College Station, Texas

*All meetings -- Bethancourt Ballroom 2300 D&E --  
Except Executive Session -- Board Meeting Room*

9:00 a.m. Convene Meeting of the Board - Recess to Executive Session

- Consultation with System Attorneys Regarding Legal Matters or Pending and/or Contemplated Litigation or Settlement Offers – Texas Government Code, Section 551.071; including
  - Discussion with Counsel on pending legal matters including, but not limited to, contemplated and/or pending litigation, contemplated, on-going and/or completed investigations regarding institutional compliance and any findings, conclusions and/or recommendations thereto; and the status of negotiations regarding and/or compliance with certain letters of intent, contracts and/or similar agreements, including, but not limited to, legal obligations and duties and any and all facts relating thereto; including:
    - Discussion of legal issues relating to ethics, conflict of interest and contracting policies
    - Discussion of legal issues relating to implementation of SB 11 regarding campus carry
    - Discussion of legal issues relating to Texas A&M trademarks, including potential litigation to protect such trademarks
    - Discussion of legal issues relating to oversight of System affiliated organizations
    - Discussion of legal issues relating to *United States of America ex rel. Joshua Harman v. Trinity Industries Inc. and Trinity Highway Products LLC*
- Deliberations Regarding Gifts and Donations – Texas Government Code, Section 551.073
- Deliberations Regarding the Purchase, Exchange, Lease, or Value of Real Property – Texas Government Code, Section 551.072; including discussion regarding possible terms and conditions and related negotiations involving the potential purchase, exchange, or lease of real property; including:
  - Item 3.2 - Authorization to Consent to Assignment of Phase VI Student Housing Ground Lease, and Amend Facility Use Agreement Covering Phases I-III Student Housing to Include Phase VI Student Housing, PVAMU
  - Item 3.3 - Authorization to Sell 207.94 Acres of Land, More or Less, in the Wm. B. Stephenson Survey, Abstract No. 450 and the A.R. O'Pry Survey, Abstract No. 534 in Hays County, Texas, AgriLife Extension
  - Item 3.4 - Authorization to Execute a Lease of Land on the Campus for Construction of a Student Recreation Center and a Capital Lease of the Student Recreation Center to be Constructed, TAMUT

**Please note: Meetings are scheduled to follow each other consecutively and may start earlier or later than the posted time depending on the length of the discussions and the reports of previous meetings. Action items are scheduled to follow each other consecutively but may be taken out of order. The estimated times are approximate and may be adjusted as required with no prior notice.**

- Deliberations Regarding Personnel Matters Relating to Appointment, Employment, Evaluation, Reassignment, Duties, Discipline or Dismissal of an Officer or Employee, or to Hear Complaints or Charges Against an Officer or Employee – Texas Government Code, Section 551.074; including
  - Presidents and/or Chief Executive Officers of A&M System Institutions (Universities, Agencies and Health Science Center); A&M System Office Executive Level employees; employees reporting directly to the Board (e.g., Chancellor, Executive Director and Chief Auditor); and all other employees of the A&M System Offices and Institutions including the following items:
    - Item 5.5 - Appointment of Provost and Vice President for Academic Affairs, A&M-Corpus Christi
    - Item 5.6 - Appointment of Executive Vice President for Finance and Administration, A&M-Corpus Christi
    - Item 5.7 - Appointment of Dean of College of Agriculture and Natural Sciences, WTAMU
    - Item 5.8 - Appointment of Dean of School of Engineering, Computer Science and Mathematics, WTAMU

12:00 noon      Estimated Recess – Executive Session

1:00 p.m.        Meeting of the Board – Open Session

- Invocation
- Chairman’s Remarks, Cliff Thomas  
*Welcome and Recognitions*  
*System Member Highlights*
- Chancellor’s Remarks, John Sharp  
*System Member Accomplishments*  
*Academic Program Highlights*  
*Important Research Initiatives*
- Public hearing regarding certain proposed tuition and fee increases as required by Texas Education Code (shown in Agenda Item 1.2)

1:45 p.m.        Committee on Finance

- Presentation and Committee Action on Items 1.1 through 1.3
- Presentation regarding performance of System investment portfolios

- 2:30 p.m.      Committee on Audit
- Fourth Quarter Audit Report
  - Audit Tracking Report [Management’s Responses to Audit Tracking Report (as needed)]
  - Fiscal Year 2015 Internal Audit Annual Report
  - Other Business (includes Approval of Minutes)
  - Executive Session (if needed): *Consultation with System Attorneys Regarding Legal Matters or Pending and/or Contemplated Litigation or Settlement Offers (discussion of legal issues relating to on-going audits); Texas Government Code, Section 551.071; and, Deliberations Regarding Personnel Matters Relating to Appointment, Employment, Evaluation, Reassignment, Duties, Discipline, or Dismissal of an Officer or Employee, or to Hear Complaints or Charges Against an Officer or Employee (includes discussion regarding personnel issues relating to on-going audits) – Texas Government Code, Section 551.074.*
- 3:00 p.m.      Committee on Buildings and Physical Plant
- Presentation and Committee Action on Items 3.1 through 3.4
- 3:15 p.m.      Reconvene Meeting of the Board – Open Session
- Public Testimony (*See Public Testimony Policy 02.01*)
  - Reports and Action:
    - Standing/Special Committee Reports
      - Committee on Finance*
      - Committee on Audit (report only)*
      - Committee on Academic and Student Affairs*
      - Committee on Buildings and Physical Plant*
    - Board of Regents (*Items 5.1 through 5.8 - items not assigned to committee*)
    - Consent Agenda (*Item 6.1 through 6.27*)
  - Other Business/New Business
- 3:45 p.m.      Estimated Adjournment

**Public Testimony Policy (02.01)****Public Testimony on Agenda Items at Regular Meetings of the Board of Regents**

A member of the public is allowed to present written and oral testimony, for a reasonable amount of time as determined by the Chairman of the Board, on any agenda item listed on the agenda for a regular meeting of the Board of Regents that is open to the public. Testimony on a topic other than an agenda item will not be allowed.

- 2.1 A member of the public who desires to present written or oral testimony must deliver the following information to the Executive Director by mail, facsimile, or hand delivery, no later than 24 hours before the regular board meeting is posted to begin:

- (a) the name of the person submitting testimony;
- (b) the agenda item to be addressed; ***and either***
- (c) the written testimony ***or*** a written statement of the substance of the oral testimony.

E-mail or electronic delivery will not be accepted. Copies of the testimony or substance of the oral testimony will be distributed to the board members at or before the board meeting.

- 2.2 The Board will consider the public testimony properly presented on an agenda item before voting on that agenda item. The Chairman or a majority of the Board may prescribe sanctions against any person exceeding established time limits or speaking on a topic other than the agenda item.

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