

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

Thursday, September 3, 2015
College Station, Texas

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

8:30 a.m. Convene Board Meeting

- Invocation
- Chairman's Remarks
*Welcome and Recognitions
System Member Highlights*
- Chancellor's Remarks, John Sharp
*System Member Accomplishments
Academic Program Highlights
Important Research Initiatives*
- Presentation by Dr. Raymund Paredes, Commissioner of Higher Education and CEO of the Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board (*60x30TX Higher Education Plan*) (20-30 minutes)

9:15 a.m. Committee on Audit

- Approval of the FY 2016 System Internal Audit Plan (Item 1), Charlie Hrcncir
- Third Quarter Audit Report, Charlie Hrcncir
- Audit Tracking Report, Charlie Hrcncir
- Management's Responses to Audit Tracking Report (as needed)
- Report on the 2015 Quality Assurance Review of Internal Audit Department, Charlie Hrcncir
- Status Update on the 3rd Quarter 2012 Audit – Review of Compensation and Classification, Billy Hamilton & Joseph Duron
- Update on EthicsPoint Hotline, Charlie Hrcncir
- Update regarding System Ethics & Compliance Program, Ray Bonilla
- 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.*

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.

- 10:15 a.m. Reconvene Board Meeting (*Board consideration and vote on Item 13 – Adoption of a Resolution Honoring Ms. Catherine A. Smock for her Leadership and Service as Chief Auditor of The Texas A&M University System and Bestowing the Title of Chief Auditor Emerita*)
- 10:30 a.m. Executive Session, Board Meeting Room (*The Board will recess at noon for lunch during the scheduled 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 *United States of America ex rel. Joshua Harman v. Trinity Industries Inc. and Trinity Highway Products LLC*
 - Discussion of legal issues relating to *Chavis v. LSU and Texas A&M University*
 - Discussion of legal issues relating to *Kristin Brown et al v. Texas A&M University School of Law, et al*
 - Discussion of legal issues relating to BARDA project
 - 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 11 – Authorization to Ground Lease 11 Acres of Land, More or Less, on the Campus of Texas A&M University for Development of a Hotel/Conference Center, Parking Garage and Student Services Building, Texas A&M
 - Item 12 – Authorization to Amend Lease of Office and Classroom Space in the Quorum West Building Located at 6777 Camp Bowie Boulevard, City of Fort Worth, Tarrant County, Texas, Tarleton
 - 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 18 – Appointment of Vice President for Institutional Advancement, WTAMU
 - Item 19 – Authorization for the President to Negotiate and Execute a New Employment Contract for Head Men’s Basketball Coach, A&M-Corpus Christi
 - Annual performance evaluations of System CEOs
 - Annual performance evaluation of Chancellor
 - Item 20 – Authorization for the Chairman of the Board of Regents to Negotiate and Execute an Employment Agreement with the Chancellor of The Texas A&M University System
- 2:30 p.m. Estimated Recess – Executive Session

- 3:00 p.m. RECONVENE – Open Session (*Bethancourt Ballroom*)
- 3:00 p.m. Committee on Finance
- Presentation and Committee Action on Items 2-5
- 3:15 p.m. Committee on Buildings and Physical Plant
- Presentation and Committee Action on Items 6, 7, and 9 through 12 (Item 8 withdrawn)
- 3:45 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 Audit*
 - Committee on Academic and Student Affairs (report only)*
 - Committee on Finance*
 - Committee on Buildings and Physical Plant*
 - Board of Regents (*Items 14 through 20 - items not assigned to committee*)
 - Consent Agenda (*Items C-1 through C-35*)
 - Reports from Special and Ad Hoc Committees and Board Liaisons
 - Special Presentations
 - Other Business/New Business
- 4:00 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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