



Consent Agenda Items
Meeting
of the
Board of Regents

January 17, 2019



**MEETING OF THE BOARD OF REGENTS
THE TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY SYSTEM
January 17, 2019
College Station, Texas**

1. COMMITTEE ON FINANCE

2. COMMITTEE ON AUDIT

3. COMMITTEE ON BUILDINGS AND PHYSICAL PLANT

- 3.1 Approval of the Project Scope and Budget, Appropriation for Construction Services, and Approval for Construction for the Polo Garage Project, Texas A&M University, College Station, Texas (Project No. 02-3254), A&M System

Informational Report

Report of System Construction Projects Authorized by the Board

4. COMMITTEE ON ACADEMIC AND STUDENT AFFAIRS

5. THE TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY SYSTEM BOARD OF REGENTS (*not assigned to Committee*)

- 5.1 Adoption of a Resolution Pledging the Perpetual Commitment of The Texas A&M University System to Honor the Life and Legacy of President George H. W. Bush, BOR A&M System
- 5.2 Adoption of a Resolution to Honor Texas A&M University-Central Texas and Texas A&M University-Corpus Christi Police Departments for Achieving Recognition Status from a Respected Professional Authority, A&M System
- 5.3 Adoption of a Resolution Celebrating the 50th Anniversary of Mays Business School, Texas A&M

Executive Session Items

- 5.4 *Authorization to Execute a Sublease of Approximately 1.765 Acres of Land and Improvements on the Campus of Tarleton State University, Tarleton
- 5.5 *Authorization to Execute a Lease for Classroom and Lab Space with Tarrant County College District at the Trinity River Campus in the Trinity River West Fork Building Located at 300 Trinity Campus Circle, Fort Worth, Tarrant County, Texas, Tarleton

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5.6 *Naming of Portion of Kyle Field

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6. CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS

The Texas A&M University System/Board of Regents

6.1 Approval of Minutes

6.2 Granting of the Title of Emeritus, January 2019

6.3 Confirmation of Appointment and Commissioning of Peace Officers

6.4 Confirmation of New and Amended Field Trip and Study Abroad Fees for the A&M System

Prairie View A&M University

6.5 Authorization to Award an Honorary Degree to Dr. Michael Eric Dyson

Texas A&M International University

6.6 Granting of Faculty Development Leave for FY 2020

Texas A&M University

6.7 *Authorization for the President to Negotiate and Execute Contracts over \$500,000

6.8 Approval of Academic Tenure, January 2019

6.9 Granting of Faculty Development Leave for FY 2020

6.10 Approval for Dr. Scott V. Dindot, a System Employee, to Serve as an Officer, Member of the Board of Directors and Employee of GeneTx Biotherapeutics, LLC, an Entity that has Licensed Technology from The Texas A&M University System

6.11 Establishment of the Sales Leadership Institute

6.12 Authorization to Award an Honorary Degree to His Excellency
Dr. Mohammed bin Saleh Abdulla Al Sada

6.13 Authorization to Award an Honorary Degree to Mr. Harold L. Adams

6.14 Authorization to Award an Honorary Degree to Dr. Marcia K. McNutt

6.15 *Authorization to Establish Two Quasi-Endowments

6.16 *Naming of the Texas A&M Engineering Academy at Midland College Program within the College of Engineering

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Texas A&M University-Central Texas

- 6.17 *Naming of the Multi-Purpose Room Located in Warrior Hall
- 6.18 Naming of the Scoreboard at Whitis Recreation Field
- 6.19 *Naming of Two Areas within Building #3 Heritage Hall

Texas A&M University-Corpus Christi

- 6.20 Authorization to Award an Honorary Degree to Mrs. Jessie Frances Neal

Texas A&M University-Kingsville

- 6.21 Approval of Academic Tenure, January 2019
- 6.22 Granting of Faculty Development Leave for FY 2020
- 6.23 Approval of a New Master of Science in Environmental Systems Management Degree Program, and Authorization to Request Approval from the Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board
- 6.24 Approval of a New Master of Science with a Major in Mechatronics Engineering Degree Program, and Authorization to Request Approval from the Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board

West Texas A&M University

- 6.25 Approval of Academic Tenure, January 2019
- 6.26 *Naming of Various Rooms and Spaces

Texas A&M Forest Service

- 6.27 Confirmation of Appointment and Commissioning of Peace Officers

Texas A&M AgriLife Research

- 6.28 Establishment of the Institute for Precision Nutrition, Responsive Agriculture and Health

Texas A&M Engineering Extension Service

- 6.29 Authorization for Time Sensitive Awards Signature Authority for FY 2019 and FY 2020

A&M System	The Texas A&M University System
A&M-Central Texas	Texas A&M University-Central Texas
A&M-Commerce	Texas A&M University-Commerce
A&M-Corpus Christi	Texas A&M University-Corpus Christi
A&M-San Antonio	Texas A&M University-San Antonio
A/E.....	Architect/Engineer
AgriLife Extension.....	Texas A&M AgriLife Extension Service
AgriLife Research	Texas A&M AgriLife Research
BOR	Board of Regents
FP&C.....	Facilities Planning and Construction
NCTM	National Center for Therapeutics Manufacturing
POR.....	Program of Requirements
PUF	Permanent University Fund
PVAMU	Prairie View A&M University
RELLIS	Respect, Excellence, Leadership, Loyalty, Integrity and Selfless Service
RFS.....	Revenue Financing System
TAMHSC	Texas A&M Health Science Center
TAMIU	Texas A&M International University
TAMUG.....	Texas A&M University at Galveston
TAMUT	Texas A&M University-Texarkana
Tarleton.....	Tarleton State University
TEES.....	Texas A&M Engineering Experiment Station
TEEX.....	Texas A&M Engineering Extension Service
Texas A&M at Qatar.....	Texas A&M University at Qatar
Texas A&M	Texas A&M University
Texas A&M-Kingsville.....	Texas A&M University-Kingsville
TFS.....	Texas A&M Forest Service
THECB.....	Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board
TTI.....	Texas A&M Transportation Institute
TVMDL.....	Texas A&M Veterinary Medical Diagnostic Laboratory
UTIMCO.....	The University of Texas/Texas A&M Investment Management Company
WTAMU.....	West Texas A&M University

Agenda Item No. 6.1

**THE TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY SYSTEM
Office of the Board of Regents
January 3, 2019**

Members, Board of Regents
The Texas A&M University System

Subject: Approval of Minutes

I recommend adoption of the following minute order:

“The following minutes are approved:

**November 15, 2018, Regular Meeting,
November 16, 2018, Special Workshop Meeting
December 5, 2018, Special Telephonic Meeting.”**

Respectfully submitted,

Vickie Burt Spillers
Executive Director

Attachments (3)

MINUTES

REGULAR MEETING

BOARD OF REGENTS

THE TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY SYSTEM

HELD IN

COLLEGE STATION, TEXAS

November 15, 2018

(Approved January 17, 2019)

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MINUTES

REGULAR MEETING BOARD OF REGENTS, THE TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY SYSTEM

November 15, 2018

CONVENE

Chairman Charles W. Schwartz convened a regular meeting of the Board of Regents of The Texas A&M University System at 8:05 a.m., Thursday, November 15, 2018, in the Board Meeting Room on the campus of Texas A&M University, College Station, Texas. The following members of the Board were present:

Mr. Charles W. Schwartz, Chairman
Ms. Elaine Mendoza, Vice Chairman
Mr. Phil Adams
Mr. Robert L. Albritton
Mr. Morris Foster
Mr. Tim Leach
Mr. Bill Mahomes
Mr. Ervin Bryant, Student Regent

The following members of the Board were not present:

Mr. Anthony G. Buzbee
Mr. Clifton L. Thomas, Jr.

RECESS TO EXECUTIVE SESSION

Chairman Schwartz announced that the Board would recess to executive session as permitted by Chapter 551, Sections 71, 72, 73, 74 and 76 of the Texas Government Code. He said in accordance with the law, no final action, decision or vote with regard to any matter considered in executive session would be made or taken.

(Note: The Board met in executive session from 8:08 a.m. until 10:53 a.m.)

RECONVENE

Chairman Schwartz reconvened the meeting in open session at 1:30 p.m., Bethancourt Ballroom 2300 D&E of the Memorial Student Center, with a quorum present.

INVOCATION

Chairman Schwartz called on Mr. August Bell, a Texas A&M student veteran and Political Science major graduating in May 2019, to present the invocation.

CHAIRMAN'S REMARKS

Chairman Schwartz welcomed everyone to the November Board meeting. He said it had been an eventful three months for the A&M System since the last Board meeting. He added that two weeks ago the System, along with the University of California System and Battelle Memorial Institute, officially took over management of the Los Alamos National Laboratory (LANL), one of the most important scientific institutions in the U.S., and an institution critical to the defense of this country. Chairman Schwartz said later in the meeting, the Board would vote on the appointment of a special committee of regents to aid in the Board's fiduciary oversight of the LANL responsibility. He emphasized that the management and operation of a national laboratory was incredibly complex. He said LANL was approximately 38 square miles and had more than 11,000 employees and an annual operating budget of \$2.5 billion. Chairman Schwartz pointed out that the A&M System had always been about service, particularly service to our country, and it truly marked a new era and one of the greatest accomplishments of the System to be a part of this critical and important facility.

Chairman Schwartz said also in service to our country, over the next three days, the A&M System would demonstrate a wide array of capabilities to General John Mike Murray of the Army Futures Command. He added that General Murray arrived on campus earlier in the day and had two full days of events. He said General Murray was a graduate of Ohio State University, a fellow land grant institution and was already feeling right at home. Chairman Schwartz pointed out that the Army's modernization strategy was not only an opportunity for Texas, it was crucial for the nation's future. He said they looked forward to getting a better understanding of what the System could do to be a part of this important command. He noted that they informed General Murray that he only had to ask and Texas A&M and the A&M System would fulfill whatever mission the Army Futures Command had for them.

Chairman Schwartz announced that today they would say farewell and best of luck to Dr. Steven Tallant, President of Texas A&M University-Kingsville, who was retiring to Minneapolis after a decade of service as president. He said the Board had named Dr. Mark Hussey as the new president and sole finalist to replace Dr. Tallant, and later in the meeting would consider final action on this agenda item. Chairman Schwartz added that as everyone knew, Dr. Hussey had a long and distinguished service to the A&M System and Texas A&M, and they welcomed him into his new role. He said the Board would also say goodbye to Mr. Gary Sera as director of the Texas A&M Engineering Extension Service (TEEX). He advised that today the Board would consider taking final action on the sole finalist, Mr. David E. Coatney, Fire Chief for the City of Dallas.

Chairman Schwartz said that last month the Bush School announced the creation of a new Center for Grand Strategy. He added that the center would provide a place for scholars and policy practitioners to help shape grand strategic options for our country. He said the center was established through gifts from the Charles Koch Foundation and Regent Albritton.

CHANCELLOR'S REMARKS

Chancellor Sharp highlighted accomplishments of the A&M System (a copy of which is on file in the Office of the Board of Regents).

Chancellor Sharp said the previous weekend Texas A&M celebrated the 100th anniversary of the Aggie War Hymn. He added that in 1918, Mr. James Vernon Pinkey Wilson wrote the war hymn on the back of an envelope in a bunker in France.

Mr. Michael Young, President of Texas A&M, said this was an important celebration for the university and entire Aggie Network. He advised that this coincided with the 100th Anniversary of Armistice, a special day for the many Texas A&M veterans who had served our country.

Chancellor Sharp reported that for the fourth time in history, the U. S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) had approved a new food source for commercialization. He said after 23 years of work by Dr. Keerti Rathore, Professor, Department of Soil & Crop Sciences at Texas A&M AgriLife Research, he had successfully removed the poison from cottonseed. He noted that this was a sterling example of the work done by the dedicated individuals in the A&M System.

BREAKTHROUGH IN AGRICULTURE: EDIBLE COTTONSEED

Dr. Patrick Stover, Vice Chancellor & Dean of Agriculture and Life Sciences, presented this report (a copy is on file in the Office of the Board of Regents).

Dr. Stover announced that another strength of the A&M System was their extension service. One extension program was the Healthy Texas program, which combined the expertise of the Texas A&M Health Science Center (TAMHSC) with the Texas A&M AgriLife Extension Service, statewide, through networks that provide families with the knowledge and resources to take control of their health.

Chairman Schwartz said that this was an extraordinary accomplishment for the A&M System and agencies, the state of Texas and the world. He said it was amazing that the Texas A&M brand would reach throughout the world because of this and the Board was very appreciative.

RECESS AND RECONVENE

Chairman Schwartz recessed the meeting at 1:58 p.m.

(Note: On Wednesday, November 14, the Committee on Academic and Student Affairs convened at 2:04 p.m. and adjourned at 4:10 p.m. On Thursday, November 15, the Committee on Finance convened at 1:59 p.m. and adjourned at 2:03 p.m. The Committee on Audit convened at 2:04 p.m. and adjourned at 2:16 p.m. The Committee on Buildings and Physical Plant convened at 2:17 p.m. and adjourned at 2:40 p.m.).

Chairman Schwartz reconvened the meeting at 2:42 p.m.

LEAD BY EXAMPLE CAMPAIGN UPDATE

Dr. Jorge Bermúdez ‘73, Chairman of the Board of Trustees of the Texas A&M Foundation (Foundation), and Mr. Tyson Voelkel ‘96, President of the Foundation, presented this update (copy of which is on file in the Office of the Board of Regents).

Chairman Schwartz said the Board was proud of the wonderful job the Foundation did for Texas A&M. He emphasized that their representation across the state and nation was beneficial to Texas A&M. He said to steal a quote; “philanthropy provided the margin of excellence.” Chairman Schwartz added that was what they strived for and the Foundation provided the margin of excellence. He expressed his heartfelt thanks and appreciation for their efforts on behalf of the Board.

REPORT FROM THE COMMITTEE ON FINANCE

Regent Mahomes, Chairman of the Committee on Finance, said the committee met earlier the same day and considered Item 1.1 and recommended this item to the full Board for approval.

On motion of Regent Mahomes, seconded by Vice Chairman Mendoza, and by a unanimous vote, the following minute order was approved (209):

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**MINUTE ORDER 209-2018 (ITEM 1.1)**

**APPROVAL OF FY 2020 OPERATING BUDGET GUIDELINES,  
THE TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY SYSTEM**

The Texas A&M University System guidelines for the FY 2020 operating budget, as shown in the attached exhibit, are hereby adopted.

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REPORT FROM THE COMMITTEE ON AUDIT

Vice Chairman Mendoza, Acting Chair of the Committee on Audit, announced that the committee met earlier the same day and received several reports, including the Monthly Audit Report, which contained no Code 4 audits. She said the committee also received the Audit Tracking Report and the 2018 Annual Internal Audit Report.

REPORT FROM THE COMMITTEE ON BUILDINGS AND PHYSICAL PLANT

Regent Leach, Chairman of the Committee on Buildings and Physical Plant, said the committee met earlier the same day and reviewed several construction and deferred maintenance projects and recommended to the full Board the approval of Items 3.1 through 3.9.

On motion of Regent Leach, seconded by Regent Adams, and by a unanimous vote, the following minute orders were approved (210 through 218):

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**MINUTE ORDER 210-2018 (ITEM 3.1)**

**APPROVAL OF THE PROJECT SCOPE AND BUDGET,  
APPROPRIATION FOR CONSTRUCTION SERVICES,  
AND APPROVAL FOR CONSTRUCTION FOR THE  
HVAC REPLACEMENT ASTON HALL PROJECT (02-3238),  
TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY, COLLEGE STATION, TEXAS,  
THE TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY SYSTEM**

The project scope along with a project budget of \$13,955,660 for the HVAC Replacement Aston Hall Project is approved.

The amount of \$12,560,160 is appropriated from Account No. 01-083540, Revenue Financing System Debt Proceeds (Housing Revenue), for construction services and related project costs.

The HVAC Replacement Aston Hall Project, Texas A&M University, College Station, Texas, is approved for construction.

The Board of Regents of The Texas A&M University System (Board) reasonably expects to incur debt in one or more obligations for this project, and all or a portion of the proceeds received from the sale of such obligations is reasonably expected to be used to reimburse the account(s) for amounts previously appropriated and/or expended from such account(s).

As required by Section 5(a) of the Master Resolution of the Revenue Financing System, the Board hereby determines that it will have sufficient funds to meet the financial obligations of The Texas A&M University System, including sufficient Pledged Revenues to satisfy the Annual Debt Service Requirements of the Revenue Financing System and to meet all financial obligations of the Board relating to the Revenue Financing System and that the Participants, on whose behalf the debt is issued, possess the financial capacity to satisfy their Direct Obligations.

**MINUTE ORDER 211-2018 (ITEM 3.2)**

**APPROVAL OF THE PROJECT SCOPE AND BUDGET,  
APPROPRIATION FOR CONSTRUCTION SERVICES,  
AND APPROVAL FOR CONSTRUCTION FOR THE  
TEXAS A&M VETERINARY EDUCATION, RESEARCH  
& OUTREACH CENTER PROJECT (02-3266),  
TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY, CANYON, TEXAS,  
THE TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY SYSTEM**

The project scope along with a project budget of \$22,000,000 for the Texas A&M Veterinary Education, Research & Outreach Center Project is approved.

The amount of \$19,800,000 is appropriated from Account No. 01-084243, Permanent University Fund Debt Proceeds (AUF), for construction services and related project costs.

The Texas A&M Veterinary Education, Research & Outreach Center Project, Texas A&M University, Canyon, Texas, is approved for construction.

The Board of Regents of The Texas A&M University System (Board) reasonably expects to incur debt in one or more obligations for this project, and all or a portion of the proceeds received from the sale of such obligations is reasonably expected to be used to reimburse the account(s) for amounts previously appropriated and/or expended from such account(s).

**MINUTE ORDER 212-2018 (ITEM 3.3)**

**APPROVAL OF THE PROJECT SCOPE AND BUDGET,  
APPROPRIATION FOR CONSTRUCTION SERVICES, AND  
APPROVAL FOR CONSTRUCTION FOR THE TVMDL -  
CANYON FACILITY PROJECT (20-3256), TEXAS A&M VETERINARY  
MEDICAL DIAGNOSTIC LABORATORY, CANYON, TEXAS,  
THE TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY SYSTEM**

The project scope along with a project budget of \$17,600,000 for the TVMDL - Canyon Facility Project is approved.

The amount of \$14,100,000 is appropriated from Account No. 01-083540, Revenue Financing System Debt Proceeds (General Revenue), and the amount of \$2,000,000 is appropriated from Account No. 01-083540, Revenue Financing System Debt Proceeds (Fee Revenue), for construction services and related project costs.

The TVMDL - Canyon Facility Project, Texas A&M Veterinary Medical Diagnostic Laboratory, Canyon, Texas, is approved for construction.

The Board of Regents of The Texas A&M University System (Board) reasonably expects to incur debt in one or more obligations for this project, and all or a portion of the proceeds received from the sale of such obligations is reasonably expected to be used to reimburse the account(s) for amounts previously appropriated and/or expended from such account(s).

As required by Section 5(a) of the Master Resolution of the Revenue Financing System, the Board hereby determines that it will have sufficient funds to meet the financial obligations of The Texas A&M University System, including sufficient Pledged Revenues to satisfy the Annual Debt Service Requirements of the Revenue Financing System and to meet all financial obligations of the Board relating to the Revenue Financing System and that the Participants, on whose behalf the debt is issued, possess the financial capacity to satisfy their Direct Obligations.

**MINUTE ORDER 213-2018 (ITEM 3.4)**

**APPROVAL OF THE PROJECT SCOPE AND BUDGET,  
APPROPRIATION FOR CONSTRUCTION SERVICES, AND APPROVAL  
FOR CONSTRUCTION FOR THE EN/HEALTH BUILDING RENOVATION  
PROJECT (23-3258), TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY  
HEALTH SCIENCE CENTER, HOUSTON, TEXAS,  
THE TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY SYSTEM**

The project scope along with a project budget of \$85,718,000 for the En/Health Building Renovation Project is approved.

The amount of \$61,146,200 is appropriated from Account No. 01-085640, Permanent University Fund Debt Proceeds (AUF), and the amount of \$16,000,000 is appropriated from Account No. 01-020131, HSC Project Reserve, for construction services and related project costs.

The En/Health Building Renovation Project, Texas A&M University Health Science Center, Houston, Texas, is approved for construction.

The Board of Regents of The Texas A&M University System (Board) reasonably expects to incur debt in one or more obligations for this project, and all or a portion of the proceeds received from the sale of such obligations is reasonably expected to be used to reimburse the account(s) for amounts previously appropriated and/or expended from such account(s).

**MINUTE ORDER 214-2018 (ITEM 3.5)**

**APPROVAL OF THE PROJECT SCOPE AND BUDGET,  
APPROPRIATION FOR CONSTRUCTION SERVICES,  
AND APPROVAL FOR CONSTRUCTION FOR THE HVAC  
REPLACEMENT AT MCFADDEN HALL PROJECT (SSC 2017-02204),  
TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY, COLLEGE STATION, TEXAS,  
TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY**

The project scope along with a project budget of \$6,905,000 for the HVAC Replacement at McFadden Hall Project is approved.

The amount of \$6,143,578 is appropriated from Account No. 01-083540, Revenue Financing System Debt Proceeds (Housing Revenue), for construction services and related project costs.

The HVAC Replacement at McFadden Hall Project, Texas A&M University, College Station, Texas, is approved for construction.

The Board of Regents of The Texas A&M University System (Board) reasonably expects to incur debt in one or more obligations for this project, and all or a portion of the proceeds received from the sale of such obligations is reasonably expected to be used to reimburse the account(s) for amounts previously appropriated and/or expended from such account(s).

As required by Section 5(a) of the Master Resolution of the Revenue Financing System, the Board hereby determines that it will have sufficient funds to meet the financial obligations of The Texas A&M University System, including sufficient Pledged Revenues to satisfy the Annual Debt Service Requirements of the Revenue Financing System and to meet all financial obligations of the Board relating to the Revenue Financing System and that the Participants, on whose behalf the debt is issued, possess the financial capacity to satisfy their Direct Obligations.

**MINUTE ORDER 215-2018 (ITEM 3.6)**

**APPROVAL OF THE PROJECT SCOPE AND BUDGET,  
APPROPRIATION FOR CONSTRUCTION SERVICES,  
AND APPROVAL FOR CONSTRUCTION FOR THE  
HVAC REPLACEMENT HAAS HALL PROJECT (SSC 2017-02205),  
TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY, COLLEGE STATION, TEXAS,  
TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY**

The project scope along with a project budget of \$7,475,000 for the HVAC Replacement Haas Hall Project is approved.



The amount of \$6,655,496 is appropriated from Account No. 01-083540, Revenue Financing System Debt Proceeds (Housing Revenue), for construction services and related project costs.

The HVAC Replacement Haas Hall Project, Texas A&M University, College Station, Texas, is approved for construction.

The Board of Regents of The Texas A&M University System (Board) reasonably expects to incur debt in one or more obligations for this project, and all or a portion of the proceeds received from the sale of such obligations is reasonably expected to be used to reimburse the account(s) for amounts previously appropriated and/or expended from such account(s).

As required by Section 5(a) of the Master Resolution of the Revenue Financing System, the Board hereby determines that it will have sufficient funds to meet the financial obligations of The Texas A&M University System, including sufficient Pledged Revenues to satisfy the Annual Debt Service Requirements of the Revenue Financing System and to meet all financial obligations of the Board relating to the Revenue Financing System and that the Participants, on whose behalf the debt is issued, possess the financial capacity to satisfy their Direct Obligations.

**MINUTE ORDER 216-2018 (ITEM 3.7)**

**APPROVAL OF THE PROJECT SCOPE AND BUDGET,  
APPROPRIATION FOR CONSTRUCTION SERVICES, AND  
APPROVAL FOR CONSTRUCTION FOR THE MOSHER HALL  
INTERIOR FINISHES RENOVATION PROJECT (SSC 2018-03177),  
TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY, COLLEGE STATION, TEXAS,  
TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY**

The project scope along with a project budget of \$7,224,400 for the Mosher Hall Interior Finishes Project is approved.

The amount of \$6,501,960 is appropriated from Account No. 02-030062, Residence Halls, for construction services and related project costs.

The Mosher Hall Interior Finishes Renovation Project, Texas A&M University, College Station, Texas, is approved for construction.

**MINUTE ORDER 217-2018 (ITEM 3.8)**

**APPROVAL OF THE PROJECT SCOPE AND BUDGET,  
APPROPRIATION FOR CONSTRUCTION SERVICES,  
AND APPROVAL FOR CONSTRUCTION FOR THE  
AEROTHERMOCHEMISTRY LAB EXPANSION PROJECT (SSC 2017-02079),  
TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY, COLLEGE STATION, TEXAS,  
TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY**

The project scope along with a project budget of \$5,000,000 for the Aerothermochemistry Lab Expansion Project is approved.

The amount of \$2,250,000 is appropriated from Account No. 02-405261-00006 GURI Construction - Miles, and \$2,250,000 is appropriated from Account No. 02-292115-00006 CRI/GURI Construction - Miles, for construction services and related project costs.

The Aerothermochemistry Lab Expansion Project, Texas A&M University, College Station, Texas, is approved for construction.

**MINUTE ORDER 218-2018 (ITEM 3.9)**

**APPROVAL OF THE PROJECT SCOPE AND BUDGET,  
APPROPRIATION FOR CONSTRUCTION SERVICES,  
AND APPROVAL FOR CONSTRUCTION FOR THE  
AGRICULTURE COMPREHENSIVE FACILITY PROJECT (PV-0561),  
PRAIRIE VIEW A&M UNIVERSITY, PRAIRIE VIEW, TEXAS,  
PRAIRIE VIEW A&M UNIVERSITY**

The project scope along with a project budget of \$6,093,828 for the Agriculture Comprehensive Facility Project is approved.

The amount of \$1,396,407 is appropriated from Account No. 05-411920 USDA Grant, the amount of \$1,126,742 is appropriated from Account No. 05-414580 USDA Grant, the amount of \$2,911,008 is appropriated from Account No. 05-414581 USDA Grant, the amount of \$410,531 is appropriated from Account No. 05-482000 USDA Grant, and the amount of \$249,140 is appropriated from Account No. 05-020100 Designated Tuition, for construction services and related project costs.

The Agriculture Comprehensive Facility Project, Prairie View A&M University, Prairie View, Texas, is approved for construction.

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REPORT FROM THE COMMITTEE ON ACADEMIC AND STUDENT AFFAIRS

Vice Chairman Mendoza, Chairman of the Committee on Academic and Student Affairs, announced that the committee met the previous day and received several presentations. She said they had an extensive discussion on educator preparation, including an exciting new program with the National Association of System Head Leadership Academy, where two cohorts of A&M System leaders in teacher and school leadership preparation were working on innovative approaches to reform the current work.

Vice Chairman Mendoza said the committee heard from Mr. Laylan Copelin, Vice Chancellor of Marketing and Communications, on the We Teach Texas campaign designed to help tell the story to Texans about becoming a teacher and recruiting them to attend an A&M System institution. She advised that Dr. Blake Decker, Assistant Vice Chancellor for Academic Affairs, presented data on the number of teachers the System graduated and that the A&M System produced more teachers each year and had more teachers in the field five years later than any other system. She said this meant they definitely had a distinct responsibility to Pre-K 12 education to ensure that their educators were well prepared. Vice Chairman Mendoza added that Dr. Decker presented data from the Texas Education Agency (TEA) on principal evaluations of first-year teachers. She thanked Dr. Decker and Dr. James Hallmark, Vice Chancellor for Academic Affairs, for working with TEA to get this important data. She said the data showed that they had progress to make in teacher preparation. Vice Chairman Mendoza noted that they were not doing poorly but were in the middle of the pack - not where the A&M System was used to being. She said they would continue to push to be the best in the state and meet their responsibility to Pre-K 12 in Texas.

Vice Chairman Mendoza reported that Dr. Shonda Gibson, Associate Vice Chancellor for Academic Affairs, and Dr. Hallmark, presented on Student Learning Outcomes and the engagement with the National Institute of Learning Outcomes Assessment. She said this was a yearlong reframing of the Student Learning Outcomes, which would significantly improve the System campuses' ability to assess student learning and close the loop on improving their ability to prepare graduates for the workforce. She added that Dr. Decker explained the new Integrated Postsecondary Education Data System measures. Vice Chairman Mendoza said this data provided a better understanding of the student success patterns of native and transfer students. Overall, she said they were improving their ability to use data to drive decisions and create strategies around student success, whether on metrics or learning outcomes. Vice Chairman Mendoza advised that they would continue their relentless focus on educator preparation and the visibility of that work. She said the committee looked forward to holding the institutions accountable for besting their best; it was just too important to take their eye off that ball. She thanked Chancellor Sharp for enabling and supporting Dr. Hallmark to add Dr. Gibson and Dr. Decker to his team, and Dr. Hallmark for the great work. Vice Chairman Mendoza pointed out that there would be more to come on this.

ADDITIONAL ITEMS CONSIDERED BY THE BOARD

Mr. Ray Bonilla, General Counsel, presented Item 5.3.

Chairman Schwartz asked if this was modeled after how fiduciary responsibilities were handled by the University of California. Mr. Bonilla replied in the affirmative.

(Note: See Page 30 for approval of Item 5.1 and Page 29 for approval of Item 5.2.)

On motion of Regent Adams, seconded by Regent Mahomes, and by a unanimous vote, the following minute order was approved (219):

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**MINUTE ORDER 219-2018 (ITEM 5.3)**

**FORMATION OF A SPECIAL COMMITTEE OF THE  
BOARD OF REGENTS FOR OVERSIGHT OF MATTERS  
RELATING TO THE LOS ALAMOS NATIONAL LABORATORY,  
BOARD OF REGENTS, THE TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY SYSTEM**

The formation of a Board of Regents' Special Committee for Oversight of Los Alamos National Laboratory Matters is hereby approved. Regents Charles Schwartz, Elaine Mendoza and Anthony Buzbee are appointed to this special committee, and Regent Schwartz is designated as its chairman. This special committee shall be advisory to the Board, shall monitor The Texas A&M University System's activities at Los Alamos National Laboratory, and shall report to the Board on significant matters relating to such activities as appropriate.

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Chairman Schwartz announced that Items 5.4 through 5.12 were considered in executive session. He said the Board would consider Items 5.4 through 5.8 and Items 5.10 through 5.12.

On motion of Vice Chairman Mendoza, seconded by Regent Leach, and by a unanimous vote, the following minute orders were approved (220 through 227):

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**MINUTE ORDER 220-2018 (ITEM 5.4)**

**AUTHORIZATION TO EXECUTE A GROUND LEASE  
FOR PHASE IX OF ON-CAMPUS HOUSING,  
PRAIRIE VIEW A&M UNIVERSITY**

The Chancellor of The Texas A&M University System or designee, following legal review by the Office of General Counsel, is authorized to negotiate, execute and deliver a ground lease agreement with Collegiate Housing Foundation, or its affiliate, covering 10.23 acres, more or less, on the campus of Prairie View A&M University for the construction of Phase IX of on-campus student housing, consisting of approximately 164 units/520 beds, and to take any and all other actions and negotiate, execute and deliver any and all other documents deemed necessary to consummate the transaction.

All obligations of the Board arising under and all payments owing pursuant to the terms of the ground lease agreement and other transaction documents related thereto shall be (i) subject to and contingent upon the appropriation by Board of lawfully available funds for such obligations and payments and (ii) subordinate and subject to the timely payment of Parity Obligations issued or incurred pursuant to the Master Resolution Establishing The Revenue Financing System for The Texas A&M University System, adopted on November 19, 1990, as amended on September 17, 1993 and August 1, 1997.

As required by Section 6(b) of the Master Resolution of the Revenue Financing System, the Board hereby determines that after conveyance of the leasehold estate it will have sufficient funds to meet the financial obligations of The Texas A&M University System, including sufficient Pledged Revenues to satisfy the Annual Debt Service Requirements of the Revenue Financing System and to meet all financial obligations of the Board relating to the Revenue Financing System and that the Participants, on whose behalf the debt is issued, possess the financial capacity to satisfy their Direct Obligations.

**MINUTE ORDER 221-2018 (ITEM 5.5)**

**AUTHORIZATION TO EXECUTE AN OFFICE SPACE LEASE  
WITH THE TEXAS 4-H YOUTH DEVELOPMENT FOUNDATION IN  
THE TEXAS A&M AGRILIFE EXTENSION SERVICE BUILDING  
LOCATED IN COLLEGE STATION, BRAZOS COUNTY, TEXAS,  
TEXAS A&M AGRILIFE EXTENSION SERVICE**

The Chancellor of The Texas A&M University System or designee, following approval for legal sufficiency by the Office of General Counsel, is authorized to take all steps necessary to negotiate, execute and deliver a lease of office space at 1470 William D. Fitch Parkway in College Station, Texas, for use by the Texas 4-H Youth Development Foundation.

**MINUTE ORDER 222-2018 (ITEM 5.6)**

**AUTHORIZATION TO RENEW LEASE OF  
APPROXIMATELY 51,785 SQUARE FEET OF OFFICE  
SPACE IN THE EASTMARK BUILDING LOCATED  
IN COLLEGE STATION, BRAZOS COUNTY, TEXAS,  
TEXAS A&M ENGINEERING EXPERIMENT STATION**

The Chancellor of The Texas A&M University System, or designee, following approval for legal sufficiency by the Office of General Counsel, is authorized to take all steps necessary to negotiate, execute and deliver a lease of approximately 51,785 square feet of office space at 7607 Eastmark Drive in College Station, Texas, for use by Texas A&M Engineering Experiment Station.

**MINUTE ORDER 223-2018 (ITEM 5.7)**

**AUTHORIZATION FOR THE PRESIDENT TO NEGOTIATE AND  
EXECUTE AN AGREEMENT AND OTHER RELATED DOCUMENTS  
IN CONNECTION WITH THE PURCHASE OF ELECTRICITY IN  
FY 2023 THROUGH FY 2037 WITH BRYAN TEXAS UTILITIES,  
TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY**

The Board of Regents of The Texas A&M University System authorizes the president of Texas A&M University to negotiate and execute an agreement and other related documents in connection with the purchase of electricity in FY 2023 through FY 2037 with Bryan Texas Utilities, subject to review for legal form and sufficiency by the Office of General Counsel.

**MINUTE ORDER 224-2018 (ITEM 5.8)**

**AUTHORIZATION FOR THE PRESIDENT TO  
NEGOTIATE AND EXECUTE AGREEMENTS AND OTHER  
RELATED DOCUMENTS FOR SPECIALIZED MEDICAL  
EDUCATION SERVICES BETWEEN TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY  
HEALTH SCIENCE CENTER AND HOUSTON METHODIST,  
TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY**

The Board of Regents of The Texas A&M University System authorizes the president of Texas A&M University to negotiate and execute agreements and other related documents for specialized medical education services between Texas A&M University Health Science Center and Houston Methodist, and further authorizes the president to take all actions necessary to carry out the intents and purposes of these agreements, subject to review for legal form and sufficiency by the Office of General Counsel.

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(Note: See Page 16 for approval of Item 5.9.)

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**MINUTE ORDER 225-2018 (ITEM 5.10)**

**APPOINTMENT OF  
MR. DAVID E. COATNEY AS  
AGENCY DIRECTOR OF THE  
TEXAS A&M ENGINEERING EXTENSION SERVICE,  
THE TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY SYSTEM**

Effective January 2, 2019, Mr. David E. Coatney is hereby appointed Agency Director for the Texas A&M Engineering Extension Service, at an initial salary of \$250,000.

**MINUTE ORDER 226-2018 (ITEM 5.11)**

**APPOINTMENT OF  
DR. MARK A. HUSSEY AS  
PRESIDENT OF TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY-KINGSVILLE,  
THE TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY SYSTEM**

Effective January 2, 2019, Dr. Mark A. Hussey is hereby appointed President of Texas A&M University-Kingsville, at an initial salary of \$350,000.

**MINUTE ORDER 227-2018 (ITEM 5.12)**

**APPOINTMENT OF  
MR. GREG HARTMAN AS  
VICE CHANCELLOR FOR STRATEGIC INITIATIVES,  
THE TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY SYSTEM**

Effective January 1, 2019, Greg Hartman is hereby appointed Vice Chancellor for Strategic Initiatives of The Texas A&M University System, at an initial annual salary of \$360,000.

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Chairman Schwartz presented Item 5.9.

(Note: Vice Chairman Mendoza recused herself from the vote on Item 5.9.)

On motion of Regent Adams, seconded by Regent Mahomes, and by a unanimous vote, the following minute order was approved (228):

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**MINUTE ORDER 228-2018 (ITEM 5.9)**

**AUTHORIZATION FOR THE PRESIDENT TO NEGOTIATE AND  
EXECUTE AN AGREEMENT FOR RURAL HEALTH INITIATIVES  
BETWEEN TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY HEALTH SCIENCE CENTER  
AND BLUE CROSS AND BLUE SHIELD OF TEXAS,  
TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY**

The Board of Regents of The Texas A&M University System authorizes the president of Texas A&M University to negotiate and execute an agreement for Rural Health Initiatives between Texas A&M University Health Science Center and Blue Cross and Blue Shield of Texas, and further authorizes the president to take all actions necessary to carry out the intents and purposes of this agreement, subject to review for legal form and sufficiency by the Office of General Counsel.

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CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS

Chairman Schwartz presented Items 6.1 through 6.22, Items 6.24 through 6.30 and Items 6.32 through 6.35.

On motion of Vice Chairman Mendoza, seconded by Regent Leach, and by a unanimous vote, the following minute orders were approved (229 through 261):

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**MINUTE ORDER 229-2018 (ITEM 6.1)**

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES FROM THE  
AUGUST 16, 2018, REGULAR MEETING;  
AUGUST 17, 2018, SPECIAL WORKSHOP MEETING;  
AND OCTOBER 16, 2018, SPECIAL TELEPHONIC MEETING,  
BOARD OF REGENTS, THE TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY SYSTEM**

The Minutes of the August 16, 2018, Regular Meeting; the August 17, 2018, Special Workshop Meeting; and the October 16, 2018, Special Telephonic Meeting are hereby approved.



**MINUTE ORDER 230-2018 (ITEM 6.2)**

**GRANTING OF THE TITLE OF EMERITUS, NOVEMBER 2018,  
THE TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY SYSTEM**

In recognition of long and distinguished service to The Texas A&M University System, the Board of Regents hereby confirms the recommendation of the Chancellor, and confers the title of “Emeritus” upon the individuals as shown in the attached exhibit, Emeritus Title List No. 19-01, and grants all rights and privileges of this title.

**MINUTE ORDER 231-2018 (ITEM 6.3)**

**CONFIRMATION OF  
APPOINTMENT AND COMMISSIONING OF PEACE OFFICERS,  
THE TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY SYSTEM**

In accordance with System Policy 34.06 (Appointment, Commissioning and Authority of Peace Officers), the Board of Regents of The Texas A&M University System confirms the appointment and commissioning of campus peace officers by the presidents of their respective system member universities, in accordance with the requirements of the law, and as shown in the exhibit, attached to the official minutes, subject to their taking the oath required of peace officers.

**MINUTE ORDER 232-2018 (ITEM 6.4)**

**DESIGNATION OF THE REGENTS PROFESSOR AWARDS  
AND THE REGENTS FELLOW SERVICE AWARDS FOR  
EXEMPLARY PERFORMANCE AND PROFESSIONAL  
SERVICE DURING FISCAL YEAR 2017-18,  
THE TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY SYSTEM**

The Board of Regents of The Texas A&M University System hereby grants the designation of “Regents Professor” for exemplary performance during FY 2017-18 to the following 15 faculty members, effective immediately:

Dr. Lal K. Almas, West Texas A&M University  
Dr. Vaughn M. Bryant, Texas A&M University  
Dr. Lisa Campbell, Texas A&M University  
Dr. Gerard L. Coté, Texas A&M University,  
Texas A&M Engineering Experiment Station  
Dr. Jian Q. Feng, Texas A&M Health Science Center  
Dr. Amir M.H. Ibrahim, Texas A&M University, Texas A&M AgriLife  
Dr. Syed Hussain A. Jafri, Tarleton State University  
Dr. Nereu F. Kock, Texas A&M International University  
Dr. Akhtar H. Lodgher, Texas A&M University-San Antonio  
Dr. Thomas J. McDonald, Texas A&M Health Science Center

Dr. Lijun Qian, Prairie View A&M University  
Dr. Antonietta Quigg, Texas A&M University at Galveston  
Dr. Robert L. Smith, Texas A&M University-Corpus Christi  
Dr. Sang C. Suh, Texas A&M University-Commerce  
Dr. Randall H. Williams, Texas A&M University-Kingsville

The Board of Regents of The Texas A&M University System hereby grants the designation of “Regents Fellow” for exemplary professional service during FY 2017-18 to the following seven agency service, extension and research professionals, effective immediately:

Dr. Marvin L. Adams, Texas A&M Engineering Experiment Station  
Dr. David R. Ellis, Texas A&M Transportation Institute  
Dr. Don L. Renchie, Texas A&M AgriLife Extension Service  
Mr. James B. Rooni, Texas A&M Forest Service  
Mr. Edward Schneider, Texas A&M AgriLife Extension Service  
Ms. Rebecca L. Tate, Texas A&M Engineering Extension Service  
Dr. Qingwu Xue, Texas A&M AgriLife Research

**MINUTE ORDER 233-2018 (ITEM 6.5)**

**APPROVAL OF NON-SUBSTANTIVE REVISIONS TO SYSTEM POLICY 01.01  
(SYSTEM POLICIES AND REGULATIONS,  
AND MEMBER RULES AND PROCEDURES),  
THE TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY SYSTEM**

The revisions to System Policy 01.01 (System Policies and Regulations, and Member Rules and Procedures), as shown in the attached exhibit, are approved, effective immediately.

**MINUTE ORDER 234-2018 (ITEM 6.6)**

**APPROVAL OF NON-SUBSTANTIVE REVISIONS  
TO SYSTEM POLICY 02.01 (BOARD OF REGENTS),  
THE TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY SYSTEM**

The revisions to System Policy 02.01 (Board of Regents), as shown in the attached exhibit, are approved, effective immediately.

**MINUTE ORDER 235-2018 (ITEM 6.7)**

**APPROVAL OF NON-SUBSTANTIVE REVISIONS TO  
VARIOUS SYSTEM POLICIES 02.02 (OFFICE OF THE CHANCELLOR),  
02.04 (SYSTEM MEMBERS OF THE TEXAS A&M  
UNIVERSITY SYSTEM), AND 23.02 (DEBT MANAGEMENT),  
THE TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY SYSTEM**

The revisions to System Policies 02.02 (Office of the Chancellor), 02.04 (System Members of The Texas A&M University System), and 23.02 (Debt Management), as shown in the attached exhibits, are approved, effective immediately.

**MINUTE ORDER 236-2018 (ITEM 6.8)**

**APPROVAL OF NON-SUBSTANTIVE REVISIONS TO  
VARIOUS ACADEMIC-RELATED SYSTEM POLICIES:  
SYSTEM POLICY 07.02 (TEXAS HIGHER EDUCATION FAIR LENDING  
PRACTICES, 11.01 (COLLABORATION AMONG SYSTEM ACADEMIC  
INSTITUTIONS), 11.03 (SHORTENED COURSES), 11.04 (ADMISSIONS  
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PROFICIENCY), 12.07 (FIXED TERM ACADEMIC PROFESSIONAL TRACK  
FACULTY), AND 13.02 (STUDENT RIGHTS AND OBLIGATIONS),  
THE TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY SYSTEM**

The revisions to System Policies 07.02 (Texas Higher Education Fair Lending Practices), 11.01 (Collaboration Among System Academic Institutions), 11.03 (Shortened Courses), 11.04 (Admissions Standards), 11.05 (Recruitment and Admission of Transfer Students), 11.06 (Core Curriculum), 11.07 (Granting of Honorary Degree), 11.08 (Award of Posthumous Degrees), 12.03 (Faculty Academic Workload and Reporting Requirements), 12.04 (Academic Council/Faculty Senate), 12.05 (Training for English Proficiency), 12.07 (Fixed Term Academic Professional Track Faculty), and 13.02 (Student Rights and Obligations), as shown in the attached exhibits, are approved, effective immediately.

**MINUTE ORDER 237-2018 (ITEM 6.9)**

**APPROVAL OF REVISIONS TO  
SYSTEM POLICY 11.10 (ACADEMIC PROGRAM REQUESTS),  
THE TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY SYSTEM**

The revisions to System Policy 11.10 (Academic Program Requests), as shown in the attached exhibit, are approved, effective immediately.

**MINUTE ORDER 238-2018 (ITEM 6.10)**

**APPROVAL OF NON-SUBSTANTIVE REVISIONS TO  
VARIOUS SYSTEM POLICIES, 13.04 (STUDENT TRAVEL),  
26.01 (TUITION AND FEES), 27.03 (ANNUAL OPERATING  
BUDGET PROCESS), AND 28.03 (VENDING MACHINES),  
THE TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY SYSTEM**

The revisions to System Policies 13.04 (Student Travel), 26.01 (Tuition and Fees), 27.03 (Annual Operating Budget Process), and 28.03 (Vending Machines), as shown in the attached exhibits, are approved, effective immediately.

**MINUTE ORDER 239-2018 (ITEM 6.11)**

**APPROVAL OF A NEW MASTER OF SCIENCE  
DEGREE PROGRAM WITH A MAJOR IN GEOSCIENCE,  
AND AUTHORIZATION TO REQUEST APPROVAL FROM  
THE TEXAS HIGHER EDUCATION COORDINATING BOARD,  
TARLETON STATE UNIVERSITY**

The Board of Regents of The Texas A&M University System approves the establishment of a new degree program at Tarleton State University leading to a Master of Science in Geoscience.

The Board also authorizes submission of Tarleton's new degree program request to the Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board for approval and hereby certifies that all applicable criteria of the Coordinating Board have been met.

**MINUTE ORDER 240-2018 (ITEM 6.12)**

**APPROVAL OF A NEW MASTER OF SCIENCE  
DEGREE PROGRAM WITH A MAJOR IN ANIMAL SCIENCE,  
AND AUTHORIZATION TO REQUEST APPROVAL FROM THE  
TEXAS HIGHER EDUCATION COORDINATING BOARD,  
TARLETON STATE UNIVERSITY**

The Board of Regents of The Texas A&M University System approves the establishment of a new degree program at Tarleton State University leading to a Master of Science in Animal Science.

The Board also authorizes submission of Tarleton's new degree program request to the Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board for approval and hereby certifies that all applicable criteria of the Coordinating Board have been met.

**MINUTE ORDER 241-2018 (ITEM 6.13)**

**APPROVAL OF A NEW BACHELOR OF SCIENCE  
DEGREE PROGRAM IN GENERAL ENGINEERING, AND  
AUTHORIZATION TO REQUEST APPROVAL FROM THE  
TEXAS HIGHER EDUCATION COORDINATING BOARD,  
TEXAS A&M INTERNATIONAL UNIVERSITY**

The Board of Regents of The Texas A&M University System approves the establishment of a new degree program at Texas A&M International University leading to a Bachelor of Science in General Engineering degree.

The Board also authorizes submission of Texas A&M International University's new degree program request to the Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board for approval and hereby certifies that all applicable criteria of the Coordinating Board have been met.

**MINUTE ORDER 242-2018 (ITEM 6.14)**

**AUTHORIZATION FOR THE PRESIDENT TO NEGOTIATE  
AND EXECUTE AN AGREEMENT AND OTHER RELATED  
DOCUMENTS IN CONNECTION WITH THE DEVELOPMENT AND  
ADMINISTRATION OF STUDY ABROAD PROGRAMS WITH ACCENT  
INTERNATIONAL CONSORTIUM FOR ACADEMIC PROGRAMS ABROAD,  
TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY**

The Board of Regents of The Texas A&M University System authorizes the president of Texas A&M University to negotiate and execute an agreement and other related documents in connection with the development and administration of study abroad programs with ACCENT International Consortium for Academic Programs Abroad, subject to review for legal form and sufficiency by the Office of General Counsel.

**MINUTE ORDER 243-2018 (ITEM 6.15)**

**AUTHORIZATION FOR THE PRESIDENT TO  
NEGOTIATE AND EXECUTE REVENUE AGREEMENT(S)  
FOR THE MAYS BUSINESS SCHOOL CENTER FOR  
EXECUTIVE DEVELOPMENT FOR FISCAL YEAR 2019,  
TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY**

The Board of Regents of The Texas A&M University System authorizes the president of Texas A&M University to negotiate and execute revenue agreement(s) for the Mays Business School Center for Executive Development during fiscal year 2019, including any amendments, modifications or extensions to revenue agreements created prior to fiscal year 2019, subject to review for legal form and sufficiency by the Office of General Counsel. Total consideration under any agreement will not exceed \$3,000,000, and the term for any agreement will not exceed five years.

**MINUTE ORDER 244-2018 (ITEM 6.16)**

**APPROVAL FOR MR. CHRISTOPHER SCOTTI, A  
SYSTEM EMPLOYEE, TO SERVE IN HIS OFFICIAL  
CAPACITY AS A MEMBER OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS  
OF STARROTOR CORPORATION, A BUSINESS ENTITY  
FORMED FOR THE PURPOSE OF DEVELOPMENT AND  
COMMERCIALIZATION OF TECHNOLOGY OWNED  
BY THE TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY SYSTEM,  
TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY**

The Board of Regents of The Texas A&M University System hereby approves for Mr. Christopher Scotti, Entrepreneur-In-Residence, to serve in his official capacity as a member of the Board of Directors of StarRotor Corporation, an entity formed for the purpose of development and commercialization of technology owned by The Texas A&M University System.

**MINUTE ORDER 245-2018 (ITEM 6.17)**

**AUTHORIZATION FOR THE PRESIDENT TO  
NEGOTIATE AND EXECUTE A NEW EMPLOYMENT CONTRACT  
FOR HEAD MEN'S GOLF COACH JAMES T. HIGGINS,  
TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY**

Authority is hereby granted to the president of Texas A&M University to negotiate and execute a new employment contract, upon review for legal form and sufficiency by the Office of General Counsel, with the following person:

Head Men's Golf Coach - James T. Higgins

**MINUTE ORDER 246-2018 (ITEM 6.18)**

**APPROVAL OF ACADEMIC TENURE, NOVEMBER 2018,  
TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY**

The Board of Regents of The Texas A&M University System, in accordance with System Policy 12.01 (Academic Freedom, Responsibility and Tenure), hereby authorizes the granting of tenure to the following faculty members at Texas A&M University as set forth in the exhibit, Tenure List No. 19-01.

**MINUTE ORDER 247-2018 (ITEM 6.19)**

**ESTABLISHMENT OF THE  
TEXAS A&M INSTITUTE FOR TECHNOLOGY-INFUSED LEARNING,  
TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY**

The Texas A&M Institute for Technology-Infused Learning (TITIL) is hereby established as an organizational unit of Texas A&M University.

**MINUTE ORDER 248-2018 (ITEM 6.20)**

**NAMING OF THE  
ELIZABETH A. AND PAUL H. MOTHERAL '52 AGGIE BAND  
REHEARSAL HALL, DR. TIMOTHY B. RHEA CONCERT BAND  
REHEARSAL HALL - DEDICATED BY THE MOTHERAL FAMILY  
(ELIZABETH ANN AND PAUL HASKELL MOTHERAL '52;  
JANET MOTHERAL THOMPSON; LAINE MOTHERAL MYERS;  
MARK G. MOTHERAL), MARGARET MCARTHUR ACCOMPANIST  
OFFICE, JOYCE DARLENE AND RONALD MCCUIN LUNSFORD  
PIANO SOLO PRACTICE ROOM, FIRST LIEUTENANT  
JAMES "JIM" HOTTENROTH '64 PIANO SOLO PRACTICE ROOM,  
JOANN AND WILLIAM G. CAUGHLIN '49 PIANO SOLO PRACTICE  
ROOM, KATIE '01 AND JAY '00 SARTAIN SOLO PRACTICE ROOM,  
CAPTAIN CHARLES "CHARLIE" JAEGLER '65 MEMORIAL SOLO  
PRACTICE ROOM, NANCY AND JOHN OTTO, JR. '70 SOLO  
PRACTICE ROOM, SCOTT P. POOL '93 AGGIE BAND DRUM  
STORAGE ROOM, BRIGADIER GENERAL JOE E. RAMIREZ, JR. '79,  
45TH COMMANDANT - CORPS OF CADETS, ANGELA AND  
L. MICHAEL WALLACE '84, LEITA ST. CLAIR AND  
FIRMIN G. LEPORI, JR. '56, CLASS OF 1961, GENERAL HAL HORNBURG '68  
& FAMILY, AND LIEUTENANT COLONEL RANDY EBERTS '68 & FAMILY,  
TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY**

The Board of Regents of The Texas A&M University System hereby names the spaces and rooms in the Music Activities Center on the campus at Texas A&M University:

- Aggie Band Rehearsal Hall - "Elizabeth A. and Paul H. Motheral '52 Aggie Band Rehearsal Hall"
- Concert Band Rehearsal Hall - "Dr. Timothy B. Rhea Concert Band Rehearsal Hall - Dedicated by the Motheral Family (Elizabeth Ann and Paul Haskell Motheral '52; Janet Motheral Thompson; Laine Motheral Myers; Mark G. Motheral)"
- Accompanist Office #1 - "Margaret McArthur Accompanist Office"
- Piano Solo Practice Room #1 - "Joyce Darlene and Ronald McCuin Lunsford Piano Solo Practice Room"
- Piano Solo Practice Room #2 - "First Lieutenant James 'Jim' Hottenroth '64 Piano Solo Practice Room"

- Piano Solo Practice Room #4 - “JoAnn and William G. Caughlin ’49 Piano Solo Practice Room”
- Solo Practice Room #2 - “Katie ’01 and Jay ’00 Sartain Solo Practice Room”
- Solo Practice Room # 3 - “Captain Charles ‘Charlie’ Jaegler ’65 Memorial Solo Practice Room”
- Solo Practice Room #5 - “Nancy and John Otto, Jr. ’70 Solo Practice Room”
- Aggie Band Drum Storage Room - “Scott P. Pool ’93 Aggie Band Drum Storage Room”
- North Drill Field Pillar – “Brigadier General Joe E. Ramirez, Jr. ’79, 45th Commandant-Corps of Cadets”
- South Drill Field Pillar - “Angela and L. Michael Wallace ’84”
- Drill Field Pillar - “Leita St. Clair and Firmin G. LePori, Jr. ’56”
- Drill Field Pillar - “Class of 1961”
- Drill Field Pillar - “General Hal Hornburg ’68 & Family, and Lieutenant Colonel Randy Eberts ’68 & Family”

**MINUTE ORDER 249-2018 (ITEM 6.21)**

**NAMING OF THE  
JAMES BUTTLER ’75 LEARNING STUDIO,  
TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY**

The Board of Regents of The Texas A&M University System hereby names the Learning Studio (Level 3, Space 34) in the Zachry Engineering Education Complex on the campus at Texas A&M University the “James Butler ’75 Learning Studio.”

**MINUTE ORDER 250-2018 (ITEM 6.22)**

**NAMING OF THE  
CARMICHAEL NEWTON CLASSROOM,  
TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY**

The Board of Regents of The Texas A&M University System hereby names the classroom in the Wagonhound Land and Livestock Education Building within the Thomas G. Hildebrand, DVM ’56 Equine Complex on the campus at Texas A&M University the “Carmichael Newton Classroom.”

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(Note: See Page 28 for approval of Item 6.23.)

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**MINUTE ORDER 251-2018 (ITEM 6.24)**

**APPROVAL OF ACADEMIC TENURE, NOVEMBER 2018,  
TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY-COMMERCE**

The Board of Regents of The Texas A&M University System, in accordance with System Policy 12.01 (Academic Freedom, Responsibility and Tenure), hereby authorizes the granting of tenure to the following faculty members at Texas A&M University-Commerce as set forth in the exhibit, Tenure List No. 19-01.

**MINUTE ORDER 252-2018 (ITEM 6.25)**

**AUTHORIZATION FOR THE PRESIDENT TO NEGOTIATE  
AND EXECUTE A NEW EMPLOYMENT CONTRACT FOR  
ATHLETIC DIRECTOR JONATHAN A. PALUMBO,  
TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY-CORPUS CHRISTI**

Authority is hereby granted to the president of Texas A&M University-Corpus Christi to negotiate and execute a new employment contract, upon review for legal form and sufficiency by the Office of General Counsel, with the following person:

Athletic Director - Jonathan A. Palumbo

**MINUTE ORDER 253-2018 (ITEM 6.26)**

**AUTHORIZATION FOR THE PRESIDENT TO NEGOTIATE AND  
EXECUTE AMENDED AND RESTATED EMPLOYMENT CONTRACTS  
FOR ASSOCIATE HEAD TENNIS COACH AURELIEN TAVE,  
ASSOCIATE HEAD TENNIS COACH OLGA BAZHANOVA,  
ASSISTANT WOMEN'S BASKETBALL COACH SHERRIE TUCKER  
AND ASSISTANT WOMEN'S VOLLEYBALL COACH JUSTIN WONG,  
TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY-CORPUS CHRISTI**

Authority is hereby granted to the president of Texas A&M University-Corpus Christi to negotiate and execute amended and restated employment contracts, upon review for legal form and sufficiency by the Office of General Counsel, with the following persons:

Associate Head Tennis Coach - Aurelien Tave  
Associate Head Tennis Coach - Olga Bazhanova  
Assistant Women's Basketball Coach - Sherrie Tucker  
Assistant Women's Volleyball Coach - Justin Wong

**MINUTE ORDER 254-2018 (ITEM 6.27)**

**APPROVAL OF ACADEMIC TENURE, NOVEMBER 2018,  
TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY-KINGSVILLE**

The Board of Regents of The Texas A&M University System, in accordance with System Policy 12.01 (Academic Freedom, Responsibility and Tenure), hereby authorizes the granting of tenure to the following faculty member at Texas A&M University-Kingsville as set forth in the exhibit, Tenure List No. 19-01.

**MINUTE ORDER 255-2018 (ITEM 6.28)**

**NAMING OF THE  
LUCILLE T. COOK CLASSROOM GIVEN BY: CABE COOK FOUNDATION,  
TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY-TEXARKANA**

The Board of Regents of The Texas A&M University System hereby names Multipurpose Classroom A114 in the Patterson Student Center at Texas A&M University-Texarkana the “Lucille T. Cook Classroom Given by: Cabe Cook Foundation.”

**MINUTE ORDER 256-2018 (ITEM 6.29)**

**RENAMING OF THE  
ROBERT N. BUCK GAME ROOM GIVEN BY: RED RIVER CREDIT UNION,  
TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY-TEXARKANA**

The Board of Regents of The Texas A&M University System hereby renames “Red River Federal Credit Union Activities Game Room” in University Center-UC125 to the “Robert N. Buck Game Room Given by: Red River Credit Union” in its new location in the Patterson Student Center.

**MINUTE ORDER 257-2018 (ITEM 6.30)**

**NAMING OF THE  
MORGAN SOCCER FIELD,  
TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY-TEXARKANA**

The Board of Regents of The Texas A&M University System hereby names the soccer field on the campus of Texas A&M University-Texarkana the “Morgan Soccer Field.”

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(Note: Item 6.31 was withdrawn prior to the meeting.)

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**MINUTE ORDER 258-2018 (ITEM 6.32)**

**NAMING OF THE  
DIANE AND ROBERT THORPE PRACTICE ROOM,  
DON TAYLOR TRAINING ROOM,  
SHELLEY ST. CLAIR ACCOMPANIST STUDIO,  
WEST TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY**

The Board of Regents of The Texas A&M University System hereby names the following room in Mary Moody Northen Hall on the campus of West Texas A&M University:

- Practice Room 231 - “Diane and Robert Thorpe Practice Room”

The Board of Regents of The Texas A&M University System hereby names the following room at the West Texas A&M University Enterprise Center:

- Classroom 110 - “Don Taylor Training Room”

The Board of Regents of The Texas A&M University System hereby names the following room in the Sybil B. Harrington Fine Arts Complex on the campus of West Texas A&M University:

- Accompanist Studio 228 - “Shelley St. Clair Accompanist Studio”

**MINUTE ORDER 259-2018 (ITEM 6.33)**

**ESTABLISHMENT AND NAMING OF  
THE HEWLETT PACKARD ENTERPRISE CENTER  
FOR COMPUTER ARCHITECTURE RESEARCH,  
TEXAS A&M ENGINEERING EXPERIMENT STATION**

The Center for Computer Architecture Research is hereby established as an organizational unit of the Texas A&M Engineering Experiment Station and named the “Hewlett Packard Enterprise Center for Computer Architecture Research.”

**MINUTE ORDER 260-2018 (ITEM 6.34)**

**AUTHORIZATION TO EXECUTE FY 2019 AND FY 2020 FEDERAL  
NON-RESEARCH GRANTS, COOPERATIVE AGREEMENTS AND  
CONTRACTS, AND ANY AMENDMENTS, MODIFICATIONS OR  
EXTENSIONS TO NON-RESEARCH GRANTS, COOPERATIVE  
AGREEMENTS AND CONTRACTS FOR THE SAME PROGRAMS,  
TEXAS A&M ENGINEERING EXTENSION SERVICE**

The Director of The Texas A&M Engineering Extension Service, or designee, is authorized to execute, following review for legal sufficiency by the Office of General Counsel, federal non-research grants, cooperative agreements, contracts, amendments, modifications or extensions with the United States Department of Homeland Security/Federal Emergency Management Agency, and other federal and private non-research time sensitive award agreements to provide training, technical assistance and related services, for fiscal year 2019 and fiscal year 2020 programs.

**MINUTE ORDER 261-2018 (ITEM 6.35)**

**APPROVAL OF 2019 STILES FARM FOUNDATION BUDGET,  
TEXAS A&M AGRILIFE EXTENSION SERVICE**

The Board of Regents of The Texas A&M University System, acting in its capacity as trustees of the Stiles Farm Foundation, hereby approves the operating budget for the Stiles Farm Foundation for calendar year 2019, as shown in the attached exhibit.

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Chairman Schwartz presented Item 6.23.

(Note: Regent Albritton recused himself from the vote on Item 6.23.)

On motion of Regent Foster, seconded by Regent Leach, and by a unanimous vote, the following minute order was approved (262):

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**MINUTE ORDER 262-2018 (ITEM 6.23)**

**NAMING OF  
THE ALBRITTON CENTER FOR GRAND STRATEGY,  
TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY**

The Board of Regents of The Texas A&M University System hereby names the Center for Grand Strategy in the Bush School of Government & Public Service at Texas A&M University “The Albritton Center for Grand Strategy.”

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Chancellor Sharp presented Item 5.2.

On motion of Chairman Schwartz, seconded by Regent Adams, and by a unanimous vote, the following minute order was approved (263):

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**MINUTE ORDER 263-2018 (ITEM 5.2)**

**ADOPTION OF A RESOLUTION RELATING TO TEXAS TASK FORCE 1,  
THE TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY SYSTEM**

WHEREAS, Texas Task Force 1 is a program of the Texas A&M Engineering Extension Service (TEEX) headquartered in College Station, Texas; and

WHEREAS, Texas Task Force 1 is one of 28 federal teams under the FEMA Urban Search and Rescue System and is a statewide urban search and rescue team under the direction of the Texas Division of Emergency Management; and

WHEREAS, TEEX and The Texas A&M University System (the A&M System) have statewide leadership responsibilities in emergency management, disaster response, disaster recovery and mitigation; and

WHEREAS, Texas Task Force 1's current name is not clearly identified as being part of TEEX and the A&M System; and

WHEREAS, Texas Task Force 1's lack of identification with TEEX and the A&M System has the potential to cause confusion and to hinder TEEX and A&M System efforts to effectively communicate to constituents and stakeholders the mission, accomplishments and public benefit of TEEX and how it corresponds with the A&M System's efforts in emergency management, disaster response, disaster recovery and mitigation; and

WHEREAS, identifying Texas Task Force 1 with the A&M System as a brand will raise the profile of Texas Task Force 1 and aid in obtaining financial and public support; and

WHEREAS, the Chancellor has recommended that Texas Task Force 1's name be changed to become Texas A&M Task Force 1; and now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that, effective November 15, 2018, in accordance with the authority granted by Chapters 85 and 86 of the Texas Education Code, we, the members of the Board of Regents of The Texas A&M University System, hereby change the name of Texas Task Force 1 as follows:

- Texas Task Force 1 is changed to Texas A&M Task Force 1; and, be it, further

RESOLVED, that, effective December 1, 2018, TEEX shall use the name Texas A&M Task Force 1 in its complete form and associated logos in all official communications relating to Texas A&M Task Force 1, including letterhead, business cards, websites and similar items; and, be it, further

RESOLVED, that TEEX is responsible for ensuring that this name change is implemented in the most efficient and effective manner possible to conserve agency resources while maximizing the potential constituent impact.

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Chancellor Sharp presented Item 5.1.

Dr. Tallant thanked the Board and Chancellor Sharp. He said this had been a remarkable experience, professionally and personally for his wife and himself. He added that without the Regents' support and trust in Texas A&M-Kingsville and him as president, none of this would have happened. Dr. Tallant said he was deeply and forever thankful for this opportunity.

Chairman Schwartz said it had been a wonderful honor to know Dr. Tallant, hear his insights and be constantly impressed by his dedication to the well-being and success of students. He added that the Board would miss him and thanked him for his service in the A&M System.

Regent Adams said he had been a regent for a long time and Dr. Tallant had been so important to this System. He added that through collaboration with Chancellor Sharp he learned what a great team player Dr. Tallant had been for the A&M System. He said Dr. Tallant was one of the best hires in the System's history. Regent Adams thanked him for all he had done and continued to do at Texas A&M-Kingsville for the students, faculty, staff and the community. He said he knew that the King Ranch would miss him along with the community, the university and the A&M System, and he wished him the very best.

On motion of Regents Adams, seconded by Vice Chairman Mendoza, and by a unanimous vote, the following minute order was approved (264):

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**MINUTE ORDER 264-2018 (ITEM 5.1)**

**ADOPTION OF A RESOLUTION  
HONORING DR. STEVEN H. TALLANT AS  
PRESIDENT OF TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY-KINGSVILLE  
AND BESTOWING THE TITLE OF PRESIDENT EMERITUS,  
THE TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY SYSTEM**

The Board of Regents of The Texas A&M University System adopted the resolution set forth in the attached exhibit.

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Chancellor Sharp recognized Mr. Coatney, the new TEEX director, and said they were excited to have him. He said they believed Mr. Coatney would bring an exciting dimension to TEEX, along with a huge respect from the first responder community all over the state of Texas.

Chancellor Sharp congratulated Dr. Mark Hussey who certainly would build on what Dr. Tallant began. He said Dr. Hussey would do a great job in his beloved South Texas where his career began, and welcomed him back to the A&M System.

Chancellor Sharp introduced Mr. Greg Hartman, Vice Chancellor for Strategic Initiatives. He said Mr. Hartman formerly led Breckenridge Hospital in Austin and put together The University of Texas Medical School and the Dell School. He added that Mr. Hartman was a game changer and one of the best administrators he had ever worked with.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Chairman Schwartz said the next regular Board meeting was scheduled for January 16-18, 2019, on the campus of Texas A&M.

RECONVENE EXECUTIVE SESSION

Chairman Schwartz recessed the Board meeting and said they would reconvene in Bethancourt Ballroom 2300 C.

(Note: The Board met in executive session from 3:45 p.m. until 5:25 p.m.)

RECONVENE

Chairman Schwartz reconvened the meeting at 5:25 p.m. He said the Board met in executive session from 3:45 p.m. to 5:25 p.m. and conferred with the Chancellor, several system and university administrators and attorneys on personnel, real property and legal matters.

ADJOURN

There being no further business, Chairman Schwartz adjourned the meeting at 5:26 p.m.

Vickie Burt Spillers
Executive Director, Board of Regents

(Minutes transcribed by Gwen Kirby, Office of the Board of Regents.)

MINUTES

**SPECIAL WORKSHOP MEETING OF THE
BOARD OF REGENTS**

THE TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY SYSTEM

HELD IN

COLLEGE STATION, TEXAS

November 16, 2018

(Approved January 17, 2019)

**MINUTES OF THE
SPECIAL WORKSHOP MEETING
BOARD OF REGENTS, THE TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY SYSTEM**

November 16, 2018

Chairman Charles W. Schwartz convened a special workshop meeting of the Board of Regents of The Texas A&M University System at 9:02 a.m., Friday, November 16, 2018, in the Board of Regents Meeting Room, on the campus of Texas A&M University, College Station, Texas. The following members of the Board were present:

Mr. Charles W. Schwartz, Chairman
Ms. Elaine Mendoza, Vice Chairman
Mr. Phil Adams
Mr. Tim Leach
Mr. Bill Mahomes
Mr. Ervin Bryant (Student Regent)

The following members of the Board were not present:

Mr. Robert L. Albritton
Mr. Anthony G. Buzbee
Mr. Morris E. Foster
Mr. Clifton L. Thomas, Jr.

Chairman Schwartz announced that a quorum was present and added that no Board action would be taken. Chairman Schwartz said that they would receive several briefings from System and university officials.

(Note: Discussion of the management of Los Alamos National Laboratory was postponed.)

Chairman Schwartz called on Mr. Joseph Duron, A&M System Executive Director for Budgets and Accounting, who along with Dr. Jerry Strawser, A&M Executive Vice President for Finance and Administration and Chief Financial Officer, discussed deferred maintenance within the A&M System and at Texas A&M. After discussion, it was suggested by several members of the Board that a special committee be formed to oversee deferred maintenance issues.

Next, Chairman Schwartz called on Ms. Jenny Jones, A&M System Interim Associate Vice Chancellor for State Relations and Associate Vice President for Governmental and Public Affairs at the Texas A&M University Health Science Center. Ms. Jones gave a briefing on the upcoming session of the Texas Legislature. A copy of Ms. Jones' presentation is on file in the Office of the Board of Regents.

Chairman Schwartz called on Mr. Billy Hamilton, A&M System Deputy Chancellor and Chief Financial Officer, who gave an update on the Governor's Commission to Rebuild

Texas. Mr. Hamilton discussed the status of the Commission's report, their findings, and recommendations. A copy of Mr. Hamilton's presentation is on file in the Office of the Board of Regents.

Next, Mr. Hamilton and Ms. Maria Robinson, A&M System Chief Investment Officer and Treasurer, provided an update on A&M System P3 Housing Projects. They discussed the current status of P3 housing at Tarleton State University, Texas A&M, Texas &M University at Galveston, Texas A&M University-Corpus Christi, Texas A&M University-San Antonio and Texas A&M University-Commerce. A copy of their presentation is on file in the Office of the Board of Regents.

Chairman Schwartz called on Mr. James Hallmark, A&M System Vice Chancellor for Academic Affairs. Dr. Hallmark along with Dr. Blake R. Decker, A&M System Assistant Vice Chancellor in Academic Affairs for Data Science, presented an update on data related to the implementation of Imperative One of the System strategic plan. Imperative One of the strategic plan involves all qualified students finding a place in the A&M System with an array of pathways to pursue their ambitions and interests. A copy of their presentation is on file in the Office of the Board of Regents.

There being no further business, Chairman Schwartz adjourned the meeting at 12:10 p.m., the same day.

Vickie Burt Spillers
Executive Director, Board of Regents

MINUTES

**SPECIAL TELEPHONIC MEETING OF THE
BOARD OF REGENTS**

THE TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY SYSTEM

HELD IN

COLLEGE STATION, TEXAS

December 5, 2018

(Approved January 17, 2019)

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**MINUTES OF THE
SPECIAL TELEPHONIC MEETING
BOARD OF REGENTS, THE TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY SYSTEM**

December 5, 2018

CONVENE

Chairman Charles W. Schwartz convened a special telephonic meeting of the Board of Regents of The Texas A&M University System at 3:00 p.m., Wednesday, December 5, 2018, in the Board of Regents Meeting Room, on the campus of Texas A&M University, College Station, Texas.

As the first order of business, Chairman Schwartz acknowledged the passing of President George H. W. Bush. He said on this national day of mourning, the Board convened in memory of President Bush and his lifetime of public service. He said they were thankful for his life as a member of our country, as a member of the military service, as a member of our state, and then ultimately as our leading Aggie. He stated that they were grateful that President Bush chose Texas A&M University as the home of his presidential library and tomorrow they would welcome President Bush home for the last time. Chairman Schwartz said, "Rest in peace Mr. President, we will see you tomorrow."

Chairman Schwartz said the Board would have a formal resolution at the January regular meeting, but given that this is a national day of mourning, the Board felt it appropriate to lead this special meeting with an acknowledgement of President Bush's unbelievable life.

Chairman Schwartz said the purpose of this meeting was for the consideration and action on three agenda items as shown in the agenda materials posted with the Secretary of State. He said that each party to the conference call should clearly identify himself or herself prior to speaking.

The following members of the Board were present by phone:

Mr. Charles W. Schwartz, Chairman
Ms. Elaine Mendoza, Vice Chairman
Mr. Phil Adams
Mr. Anthony G. Buzbee
Mr. Morris Foster
Mr. Tim Leach
Mr. Bill Mahomes
Mr. Clifton L. Thomas, Jr.

The following members of the Board were not present:

Mr. Robert L. Albritton
Mr. Ervin Bryant (Student Regent)

RECESS TO EXECUTIVE SESSION

Chairman Schwartz announced that a quorum was present and said the Board would recess to executive session to consider matters as permitted by Chapter 551, Sections 71 and 74 of the Texas Government Code. He said in accordance with the law, no final action, decision, or vote with regard to any matter considered in the executive session would be made or taken.

(Note: The Board met in executive session from 3:04 p.m. until 3:12 p.m.)

RECONVENE IN OPEN SESSION

Chairman Schwartz reconvened the meeting in open session at 3:13 p.m. and announced that the Board had met in executive session from 3:04 p.m. until 3:12 p.m., and conferred with Chancellor Sharp, administration and attorneys on personnel and legal matters.

Chairman Schwartz called for a motion regarding Items 1 and 2. Vice Chairman Mendoza moved for adoption of the minute orders contained in Items 1 and 2. Regent Adams seconded the motion. Chairman Schwartz called each regent's name for the vote. The record of the vote is as follows: Adams – yes, Buzbee – yes, Foster – yes, Leach – yes, Mahomes – yes, Mendoza – yes, Thomas – yes, and Chairman Schwartz voted “yes.”

The following minute orders were approved (265 through 266).

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**MINUTE ORDER 265-2018 (ITEM 1)**

**APPOINTMENT OF CHIEF W. NIM KIDD  
AS VICE CHANCELLOR FOR DISASTER AND EMERGENCY SERVICES,  
THE TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY SYSTEM**

Effective immediately, the Board of Regents of The Texas A&M University System hereby appoints Chief W. Nim Kidd as Vice Chancellor for Disaster and Emergency Services, The Texas A&M University System, at an initial salary of \$400,000.

**MINUTE ORDER 266-2018 (ITEM 2)**

**APPOINTMENT OF MS. JENNY E. JONES  
AS VICE CHANCELLOR FOR GOVERNMENTAL RELATIONS,  
THE TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY SYSTEM**

Effective immediately, the Board of Regents of The Texas A&M University System hereby appoints Ms. Jenny E. Jones as Vice Chancellor for Governmental Relations, The Texas A&M University System, at an initial salary of \$345,000.

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Chairman Schwartz presented Item 3 and said it relates to the formation of a special committee of the Board of Regents on the general subject of deferred maintenance. He said over the last several years, the Board has focused significant attention on the issue of deferred maintenance adding that this has been a topic of discussion in the Committee on Buildings and Physical Plant meetings, the strategic planning session, the budget reviews and the Committee on Finance meetings. He said at the recent workshop, the Board received a briefing from Mr. Joseph Duron, A&M System Executive Director for Budgets and Accounting, and Dr. Jerry Strawser, A&M Executive Vice President for Finance & Administration and Chief Financial Officer, to update them on deferred maintenance. During that briefing, the Board was informed that the estimated replacement value of the educational and general campus facilities is approximately \$1.5 billion and estimated deferred maintenance is about 5% of that figure. The Board was also advised that the A&M System was projecting to spend approximately \$60 million per year for the next several years on deferred maintenance and facility renewal projects. Chairman Schwartz said while the overall condition of our facilities is good, it is important that we continue to monitor this issue. He said at the suggestion of several regents, the formation of a special committee to oversee the deferred maintenance issue was desirable. He suggested Regent Leach from the Committee on Buildings and Physical Plant, Regent Mahomes from the Committee on Finance and Regent Foster who expressed a particular interest and expertise in this matter in prior meetings, and himself, be on this special committee. Chairman Schwartz added that he proposed Regent Leach chair the committee. He said as a special committee, the Board's bylaws provide that the committee have a single year of existence, subject to renewal. He said the committee would not have any power other than to report to the Board. He asked if there was any discussion or questions. There was none.

Chairman Schwartz called for a motion regarding Item 3. Regent Leach moved for adoption of the minute order contained in Item 3. Regent Foster seconded the motion. Chairman Schwartz called each regent's name for the vote. The record of the vote is as follows: Adams – yes, Buzbee – yes, Foster – yes, Leach – yes, Mahomes – yes, Mendoza – yes, Thomas – yes, and Chairman Schwartz voted “yes.”

The following minute order was approved (267).

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**MINUTE ORDER 267-2018 (ITEM 3)**

**FORMATION OF A  
SPECIAL COMMITTEE OF THE BOARD OF REGENTS  
ON DEFERRED MAINTENANCE,  
THE TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY SYSTEM**

The formation of a Board of Regents' Special Committee on Deferred Maintenance is hereby approved. Regents Charles Schwartz, Morris Foster, Bill Mahomes, and Tim Leach are appointed to this special committee, and Regent Leach is designated as its chairman. This special committee shall be advisory to the Board, shall provide oversight of system deferred maintenance activities and expenditures, and shall report to the Board on significant matters relating to such activities as appropriate.

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ADJOURN

There being no further business, on motion of Regent Mahomes, Chairman Schwartz adjourned the meeting at 3:18 p.m.

Vickie Burt Spillers
Executive Director, Board of Regents

(Minutes transcribed by Jackie Bell, Office of the Board of Regents.)

Agenda Item No.

THE TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY SYSTEM
Office of the Vice Chancellor for Academic Affairs
November 28, 2018

Members, Board of Regents
The Texas A&M University System

Subject: Granting of the Title of Emeritus, January 2019, The Texas A&M University System

In accordance with System Policy [31.08, Emeritus](#), the designation of “Emeritus,” to be added to the rank or position upon retirement of a person, may be granted by the board upon the recommendation of the chancellor.

The chief executive officers of The Texas A&M University System recognize individuals from their respective institutions and agencies, as shown on the attached Emeritus list, who have made outstanding contributions through their dedicated and loyal service.

I recommend adoption of the following minute order:

“In recognition of long and distinguished service to The Texas A&M University System, the Board of Regents hereby confirms the recommendation of the chancellor, and confers the title of “Emeritus” upon the individuals as shown in the attached exhibit, Emeritus Title List No. 19-02, and grants all rights and privileges of this title.”

Respectfully submitted,

James R. Hallmark, Ph.D.
Vice Chancellor for Academic Affairs

Approval Recommended:

Approved for Legal Sufficiency:

John Sharp
Chancellor

Ray Bonilla
General Counsel

Billy Hamilton
Deputy Chancellor and
Chief Financial Officer

Agenda Item No.
November 28, 2018

Michael K. Young, President
Texas A&M University

Marc A. Nigliazzo, Ph.D., President
Texas A&M University-Central Texas

Mark J. Rudin, President
Texas A&M University-Commerce

Patrick J. Stover
Vice Chancellor and Dean
Agriculture and Life Sciences

**THE TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY SYSTEM
CONFIRMATION OF EMERITUS TITLES
EMERITUS TITLE LIST NO. 19-02**

| System Member
Honoree | Years
of
Service | Current Rank | Title Conferred | Effective Date |
|----------------------------------|---------------------------------|----------------------------|---|---|
| TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY | | | | |
| Dr. Thomas W. Adair,
III | 51 | Professor | Professor Emeritus of
Physics and
Astronomy | Upon Approval by the
Board and the
Honoree's Retirement |
| Dr. Charles W. Berry | 45 | Professor | Professor Emeritus of
Biomedical Sciences | Upon Approval by the
Board and the
Honoree's Retirement |
| Dr. David A. Bessler | 36 | Regents
Professor | Regents Professor
Emeritus of
Agricultural
Economics | Upon Approval by the
Board and the
Honoree's Retirement |
| Dr. Patricia R.
Campbell | 27 | Professor | Professor Emeritus of
Dental Hygiene | Upon Approval by the
Board and the
Honoree's Retirement |
| Dr. Dara Childs | 37 | Professor | Professor Emeritus of
Mechanical
Engineering | Upon Approval by the
Board and the
Honoree's Retirement |
| Dr. James R. Conner | 37 | Professor | Professor Emeritus of
Agricultural
Economics | Upon Approval by the
Board and the
Honoree's Retirement |
| Dr. Martin B.
Dickman | 12 | Distinguished
Professor | Distinguished
Professor Emeritus of
Plant Pathology and
Microbiology | Upon Approval by the
Board and the
Honoree's Retirement |
| Mr. Wayne T.
Hamilton | 33 | Senior
Lecturer | Senior Lecturer
Emeritus of
Ecosystem Science
and Management | Upon Approval by the
Board and the
Honoree's Retirement |
| Dr. John C. Hardy | 21 | Distinguished
Professor | Distinguished
Professor Emeritus of
Physics and
Astronomy | Upon Approval by the
Board and the
Honoree's Retirement |

| System Member
Honoree | Years
of
Service | Current Rank | Title Conferred | Effective Date |
|----------------------------------|---------------------------------|---------------------|---|---|
| Dr. Robert R. Lucchese | 35 | Professor | Professor Emeritus of Chemistry | Upon Approval by the Board and the Honoree's Retirement |
| Dr. Ann L. McCann | 30 | Professor | Professor Emeritus of Dental Hygiene | Upon Approval by the Board and the Honoree's Retirement |
| Dr. Clyde L. Munster | 26 | Professor | Professor Emeritus of Biological and Agricultural Engineering | Upon Approval by the Board and the Honoree's Retirement |
| Dr. William W. Nagy | 14 | Professor | Professor Emeritus of Restorative Sciences | Upon Approval by the Board and the Honoree's Retirement |
| Dr. Frederic I. Parke | 20 | Professor | Professor Emeritus of Visualization | Upon Approval by the Board and the Honoree's Retirement |
| Dr. Robert B. Shaw | 10 | Professor | Professor Emeritus of Ecosystem Science and Management | Upon Approval by the Board and the Honoree's Retirement |
| Dr. Richard H. White | 25 | Professor | Professor Emeritus of Soil and Crop Sciences | Upon Approval by the Board and the Honoree's Retirement |
| Dr. Dave H. Youngblood | 50 | Professor | Professor Emeritus of Physics and Astronomy | Upon Approval by the Board and the Honoree's Retirement |

TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY-CENTRAL TEXAS

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|------------------------|----|-----------|--|----------------------------|
| Dr. Pauline S. Moseley | 19 | Professor | Professor Emerita of Counseling and Psychology | Upon Approval by the Board |
|------------------------|----|-----------|--|----------------------------|

TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY-COMMERCE

| | | | | |
|-----------------------|----|-----------|--|---|
| Dr. Raghu Naath Singh | 48 | Professor | Professor Emeritus of Sociology and Criminal Justice | Upon Approval by the Board and the Honoree's Retirement |
|-----------------------|----|-----------|--|---|

| System Member
Honoree | Years
of
Service | Current Rank | Title Conferred | Effective Date |
|----------------------------------|---------------------------------|---------------------|------------------------|-----------------------|
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TEXAS A&M VETERINARY MEDICAL DIAGNOSTIC LABORATORY

| | | | | |
|--------------------|---|--------------|----------------------|---|
| Ms. Sandra Rodgers | 9 | Section Head | Section Head Emerita | Upon Approval by the Board and the Honoree's Retirement |
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Agenda Item No.

AGENDA ITEM BRIEFING

Submitted by: Phillip Ray, Vice Chancellor for Business Affairs
The Texas A&M University System

Subject: Confirmation of Appointment and Commissioning of Peace Officers

Proposed Board Action:

In accordance with System Policy [34.06, Appointment, Commissioning and Authority of Peace Officers](#), the Board of Regents shall confirm the appointment and commissioning of peace officers by the presidents of their respective members of The Texas A&M University System, as shown in the exhibit.

Background Information:

Presidents of member universities are authorized by system policy to appoint and commission campus police as peace officers, subject to confirmation by the Board of Regents.

A&M System Funding or Other Financial Implications:

None.

Agenda Item No.

THE TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY SYSTEM

Office of Business Affairs

December 3, 2018

Members, Board of Regents
The Texas A&M University System

Subject: Confirmation of Appointment and Commissioning of Peace Officers

I recommend adoption of the following minute order:

“In accordance with System Policy 34.06, Appointment, Commissioning and Authority of Peace Officers, the Board of Regents of The Texas A&M University System confirms the appointment and commissioning of campus peace officers by the presidents of their respective system member universities, in accordance with the requirements of the law, and as shown in the exhibit, attached to the official minutes, subject to their taking the oath required of peace officers.”

Respectfully submitted,

Phillip Ray
Vice Chancellor for Business Affairs

Approval Recommended:

Approved for Legal Sufficiency:

John Sharp
Chancellor

Ray Bonilla
General Counsel

Billy Hamilton
Deputy Vice Chancellor and
Chief Financial Officer

Col. Michael E. Fossum
Vice President and Chief Operating Officer
Texas A&M University at Galveston

Cynthia Teniente-Matson, President
Texas A&M University-San Antonio

The Texas A&M University System
Appointed and Commissioned Peace Officers
December 3, 2018

| University Officer's Name | Title | Hire Date |
|--|---------------|------------------|
| TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY AT GALVESTON | | |
| Pitts, George W. | Peace Officer | 10/09/2018 |
| Kershaw, Richard L. | Peace Officer | 11/26/2018 |
| TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY- SAN ANTONIO | | |
| De La Paz, Sean N. | Peace Officer | 10/15/2018 |

Agenda Item No.

AGENDA ITEM BRIEFING

Submitted by: Billy Hamilton, Deputy Chancellor and Chief Financial Officer
The Texas A&M University System

Subject: Confirmation of New and Amended Field Trip and Study Abroad Fees for
The Texas A&M University System

Proposed Board Action:

Confirm field trip and study abroad fees for The Texas A&M University System.

Background Information:

System Policy 26.01, *Tuition and Fees*, authorizes the presidents of the academic universities and the health science center to establish and collect student fees for field trips and study abroad programs, and to amend such fees as necessary, provided that fees so established or amended (during the previous fiscal year) are submitted annually for confirmation by the Board.

A&M System Funding or Other Financial Implications:

See attachment.

Agenda Item No.

THE TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY SYSTEM
Office of the Deputy Chancellor and Chief Financial Officer
November 29, 2018

Members, Board of Regents
The Texas A&M University System

Subject: Confirmation of New and Amended Field Trip and Study Abroad Fees for The Texas
A&M University System

I recommend adoption of the following minute order:

**“The request for new and amended field trip and study abroad fees for
The Texas A&M University System as shown on the attached exhibit is hereby
confirmed.”**

Respectfully submitted,

Billy Hamilton
Deputy Chancellor and
Chief Financial Officer

Approval Recommended:

John Sharp
Chancellor

Approved for Legal Sufficiency:

Ray Bonilla
General Counsel



THE TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY SYSTEM

NEW & AMENDED FIELD TRIP/STUDY ABROAD FEES

**BOARD OF REGENTS MEETING
January 2019**

TARLETON STATE UNIVERSITY
Field Trip/Study Abroad Program Fees
FY 2018

| Department | Course | Course # | Destination | New Fee | Increased (Decreased) Fee | |
|---|--------------------|--|--|---------|---------------------------|---------|
| | | | | | From | To |
| <u>Study Abroad Fees</u> | | | | | | |
| Honors College | Honors | various | Italy | | \$4,409 | \$4,086 |
| College of Liberal & Fine Arts | MUSI | 1306 & 3229 | Japan | \$3,024 | | |
| | ENGL | 2320 & 4386 | South Korea | | \$4,270 | \$3,555 |
| | COMM | 3332 | China | \$4,140 | | |
| | COMM | 3332 | Germany, Italy, & Switzerland | \$4,013 | | |
| | SOCI | 4086 | Japan | \$4,437 | | |
| | ANTH | 2351 | Japan | \$4,437 | | |
| | GERM | 1411, 1412, 2311, 2312, & 4686 | Germany | \$4,946 | | |
| | POLS | 4306 | Czech Republic | \$5,210 | | |
| | PHIL | 3312 | Czech Republic | \$5,210 | | |
| | ENGL | 2350 | India | \$5,045 | | |
| | SPAN | 1412, 2311, 2312, 3301, 3302, 3303, & 4307 | Spain | | \$5,350 | \$5,450 |
| | ARTS | 2356 & 1301 | Iceland | \$5,009 | | |
| | COMM | 4086 & 5086 | Mexico, Belize, & Honduras | | \$1,340 | \$1,299 |
| | CRIJ | 4385 | Czech Republic | \$5,210 | | |
| | POLS | 4306 | Czech Republic | \$5,210 | | |
| | FASH | 4086 | France | \$4,610 | | |
| College of Science & Technology | BIOL | 4390 | Costa Rica | \$3,515 | | |
| | MATH | 4370 & 5370 | Germany, Poland, & Czech Republic | \$4,430 | | |
| | BIOL | 4090 | South Africa, Botswana, Zambia & Namibia | \$9,825 | | |
| College of Education | PSYC | 4390 | Germany | \$4,090 | | |
| | PSYC | 3303 | Italy | \$4,620 | | |
| | ATRN | 5362 | Italy | \$3,415 | | |
| | KINE | 4385 & 5385 | Costa Rica | \$3,637 | | |
| | PSYC | 4390 | Mexico | | \$4,495 | \$4,200 |
| | KINE | 4385 | Mexico | | \$4,495 | \$4,200 |
| READ | 3311, 3351, & 3356 | Mexico | | \$4,495 | \$4,200 | |
| College of Business Administration | BUSI | 5389 & 5389 | Ireland | | \$3,450 | \$4,834 |
| | MGMT | 5389 & 5389 | Ireland | | \$3,450 | \$4,834 |
| | HRMT | 5389 | Ireland | \$4,834 | | |
| College of Agriculture & Environmental Sciences | WSES | 4341 & 5341 | Great Britain & Poland | | \$5,809 | \$6,933 |
| | WSES | 4341, 4342, 5341, & 5342 | South Africa, Botswana, Zambia & Namibia | | \$9,675 | \$9,825 |
| | ANSC/WSES | 4390 & 5390 | Australia | | \$7,285 | \$7,865 |
| | AGSD/ACRS | 4390/5390 | Czech Republic & Poland | | \$3,950 | \$4,050 |
| College of Health Sciences & Human Services | NURS | 4303 | England | | \$5,950 | \$5,220 |
| | NURS | 4302 | Italy | \$5,688 | | |
| | CNSL | 5086 | China | \$4,140 | | |
| | SOCW | 4059 & 5390 | Costa Rica & Nicaragua | | \$2,290 | \$4,943 |
| | NURS | 4302 | Kenya | | \$2,534 | \$3,728 |

TEXAS A&M INTERNATIONAL UNIVERSITY

Field Trip/Study Abroad Program Fees

FY 2018

| Department | Course | Course # | Destination | New Fee | Increased (Decreased) Fee | | |
|---------------------------------|----------------------|----------|-------------------------------|---------|---------------------------|---------|---------|
| | | | | | From | To | |
| <u>Study Abroad Fees</u> | | | | | | | |
| College of Arts and Sciences | LEDR | 4302 | Italy | \$4,650 | \$5,200 | \$4,650 | |
| | LEDR | 4303 | Italy | \$4,650 | \$5,200 | \$4,650 | |
| | GERM | 1620 | Germany | | \$4,100 | | |
| | COMM | 4360 | Belgium & Germany | \$3,700 | \$3,700 | \$3,700 | |
| | PSYC | 4311 | Belgium & Germany | \$3,700 | \$3,700 | \$3,700 | |
| | FREN | 1620 | France | \$4,195 | | | |
| | FREN | 2620 | France | \$4,195 | | | |
| | ENGL | 3323 | England | \$4,195 | \$4,270 | \$4,195 | |
| | ENGL | 4325 | England | \$4,195 | \$4,270 | \$4,195 | |
| | ENGL | 2322 | England | \$4,195 | \$4,270 | \$4,195 | |
| | ENGL | 5345 | Turkey & Greece | \$4,700 | | | |
| | ENGL | 5383 | Turkey & Greece | \$4,700 | | | |
| | ENGL | 2332 | Turkey & Greece | \$4,700 | | | |
| | ENGL | 4341 | Turkey & Greece | \$4,700 | | | |
| | ENGL | 3341 | Turkey & Greece | \$4,700 | | | |
| | PSYC | 5390 | India | \$4,100 | | | |
| | PSYC | 5197 | India | \$4,100 | | | |
| | College of Education | CSDO | 4300 | Belize | \$3,180 | \$4,400 | \$3,180 |
| | | EDCI | 3224 | Madrid | \$3,900 | \$3,850 | \$3,900 |
| | | EDCI | 4324 | Madrid | \$3,900 | \$3,850 | \$3,900 |
| CSDO | | 4300 | Costa Rica | \$2,360 | | | |
| CSDO | | 4336 | Costa Rica | \$2,360 | | | |
| CSDO | | 4321 | Costa Rica | \$2,360 | | | |
| CSDO | | 4337 | Asia: Japan, China & Thailand | \$3,850 | \$3,700 | \$3,850 | |
| EDCU | | 5199 | Russia | \$3,790 | \$4,450 | \$3,790 | |
| EDCI | | 4399 | India | \$4,100 | | | |
| A.R. Sanchez School of Business | MGT | 4399 | China | \$3,960 | \$4,600 | \$3,960 | |

TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY
Field Trip/Study Abroad Program Fees
FY 2018

| Department | Course | Course # | Destination | New Fee | Increased (Decreased) Fee | |
|-------------------------------|--------|------------------|---|---------|---------------------------|---------|
| | | | | | From | To |
| Field Trip Fees | | | | | | |
| Agriculture & Life Sciences | AGCJ | 308-500 | Cities in the state of Texas | \$50 * | | |
| | | | *\$50.00 fee is currently linked to section 501; this is to transfer it to section 500 | | | |
| | AGLS | 125-500 | San Miguel de Allende, Mexico | \$1,300 | | |
| | ESSM | 315- ALL | Warren Ranch, Hockley, TX | | \$25 | \$20 |
| | ESSM | 319-ALL | Sam Houston National Forest, Sawmill | | \$22 | \$85 |
| | ESSM | 417-ALL | Lick Creek Park- College Station, TX | \$50 | | |
| | HORT | 416-ALL | Bryan, TX | \$15 | | |
| | RPTS | 300-155 | Washington D.C., Bethesda, Maryland | \$1,400 | | |
| | RPTS | 300-550 | Hawaii | | \$1,835 | \$1,395 |
| | RPTS | 301-500 | Varies with semester | | \$75 | \$85 |
| | RPTS | 316-500 | State Parks, Bastrop, TX | \$20 | | |
| | SCSC | 305-500 | Bryan, Caldwell, Snook, El Campo, TX; Scott, MS | | \$139 | \$145 |
| | SCSC | 453-300/485-501 | Knoxville, TN | \$435 | | |
| | SCSC | 653-300/685-300 | Knoxville, TN | \$435 | | |
| | WFSC | 314-ALL | Edwards Plateau, Gulf- Coastal Plain, San Antonio, TX; BRTC, College Station | \$360 | | |
| | WFSC | 402-501 | Goose Island State Park, Morris Buzz Hamilton Park, Univ. Park | \$106 | | |
| | WFSC | 402-503 | Goose Island State Park, Morris Buzz Hamilton Park, Univ. Park | \$106 | | |
| | WFSC | 402-504 | Goose Island State Park, Morris Buzz Hamilton Park, Univ. Park | \$106 | | |
| | WFSC | 614-ALL | Edwards Plateau, Gulf- Coastal Plain, San Antonio, TX; BRTC, College Station | \$360 | | |
| Architecture | COSC | 489-550 | London and Bircham-Newton, UK | | \$2,900 | \$2,569 |
| | COSC | 489-550 | London and Bircham-Newton, UK | | \$2,569 | \$3,500 |
| Business | FINC | 466-501/ 666-601 | New York and surrounding areas | | \$2,300 | \$3,000 |
| | IBUS | 289-500 | Sydney, Australia; Alice Springs, Australia; Cairns, Australia; Byron Bay, Australia; Brisbane, Australia | \$7,943 | | |
| Education & Human Development | DCED | 171-500/172-500 | Helsinki, Espoo and Tempere, Finland | \$2,213 | | |
| | DCED | 173-500/303-500 | Helsinki, Espoo and Tempere, Finland | \$2,213 | | |
| | EDCI | 465-500 | Capetown, South Africa | \$3,900 | | |
| | EDCI | 485-001 | San Jose, La Fortuna, Soltis Center in Costa Rica | | \$1,527 | \$1,703 |
| | EDCI | 485-500 | Hacienda Santa Clara, Las Clavellinas, San Miguel de Allende & Guanajuato | \$3,000 | | |
| | EDCI | 485-500 | Poland & Czech Republic | \$2,500 | | |
| | EDCI | 485-501 | Curacao | \$4,000 | | |
| | EDCI | 485-503 | New Zealand | \$5,030 | | |
| | EDCI | 605-500/639-500 | Soltis Center, Costa Rica | \$1,907 | | |
| | EDCI | 645-700 | San Juan, Puerto Rico; Lajas, Puerto Rico | \$3,705 | | |
| | EDCI | 683-500 | Hacienda Santa Clara, Las Clavellinas, San Miguel de Allende & Guanajuato | \$3,000 | | |
| | EDCI | 685-001 | San Jose, La Fortuna, Soltis Center in Costa Rica | | \$1,527 | \$1,703 |
| | EDCI | 685-600 | Poland & Czech Republic | \$2,500 | | |
| | EDCI | 685-700 | Capetown, South Africa | \$3,900 | | |
| | EDCI | 689-700, 701 | Trinidad, Primero and Pueblo, Colorado | \$1,681 | | |
| | EDCI | 691-700, 701 | Trinidad, Primero and Pueblo, Colorado | \$1,681 | | |
| | EDCI | 692-500 | Soltis Center, Costa Rica | \$1,907 | | |
| | EHRD | 408-700 | Colorado Springs, CO | \$1,350 | | |
| | EHRD | 408-700 | Germany, Austria, Switzerland | \$4,897 | | |
| | EHRD | 408-701/485-700 | Germany & Austria | \$3,060 | | |
| | EHRD | 485-700 | Colorado Springs, CO | \$1,350 | | |
| | EHRD | 485-700 | Germany, Austria, Switzerland | \$4,897 | | |
| | EHRD | 628-600 | Richmond, VA | | \$550 | \$700 |
| | EHRD | 685-102 | Germany & Austria | \$3,060 | | |
| | EHRD | 685-700 | Colorado Springs, CO | \$1,350 | | |
| | EHRD | 685-700 | Germany, Austria, Switzerland | \$4,897 | | |
| | EPSY | 430-550/432-550 | New York City, NY | | \$994 | \$1,267 |
| | EPSY | 459-550/485-550 | San Jose, San Isidro, and La Fortuna, Costa Rica | \$1,996 | | |
| | EPSY | 485-507 | Australia | \$4,990 | | |
| | EPSY | 485-550/602-550 | Reykjavik, Iceland | \$2,497 | | |
| | EPSY | 602-600/646-600 | Australia | \$4,990 | | |
| | EPSY | 659-550 | San Jose, San Isidro, and La Fortuna, Costa Rica | \$1,996 | | |
| | HLTH | 236-349 | Germany & Austria | \$3,060 | | |
| | HLTH | 236-700 | Germany, Austria, Switzerland | \$4,897 | | |
| | HLTH | 285-501/332-501 | Ireland & The Netherlands | \$4,310 | | |

TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY
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FY 2018

| Department | Course | Course # | Destination | New Fee | Increased (Decreased) Fee | |
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| | | | | | From | To |
| <u>Field Trip Fees - Cont.</u> | | | | | | |
| Education & Human Development | HLTH | 485-250 | Taipei, Taichung, New Taipei | | \$2,438 | \$2,500 |
| | HLTH | 485-349 | Germany & Austria | \$3,060 | | |
| | HLTH | 485-505 | Ireland & The Netherlands | \$4,310 | | |
| | HLTH | 485-700 | Germany, Austria, Switzerland | \$4,897 | | |
| | HLTH | 489-100 | Santo Domingo, Nagua- Dominic Republic | | \$2,205 | \$4,657 |
| | HLTH | 489-500 | Dar es Salaam, Dodoma, & Arusha in United Republic of Tanzania | \$3,528 | | |
| | HLTH | 685-602 | Ireland & The Netherlands | \$4,310 | | |
| | HLTH | 685-250 | Taipei, Taichung, New Taipei | | \$2,438 | \$2,500 |
| | HLTH | 689-100 | Capetown, South Africa | | \$2,205 | \$4,657 |
| | HLTH | 689-500 | Dar es Salaam, Dodoma, & Arusha in United Republic of Tanzania | \$3,528 | | |
| | INST | 222-505 | Capetown, South Africa | \$3,900 | | |
| | INST | 222-505 | San Juan, Puerto Rico; Lajas, Puerto Rico | \$3,705 | | |
| | INST | 291-700, 701 | Trinidad, Primero and Pueblo, Colorado | \$1,681 | | |
| | INST | 301-550 | Reykjavik, Iceland | \$2,497 | | |
| | INST | 301-550 | Australia | \$4,990 | | |
| | INST | 363-500 | Hacienda Santa Clara, Las Clavellinas, San Miguel de Allende and Guanajuato | \$3,000 | | |
| | INST | 491-700, 701 | Trinidad, Primero and Pueblo, Colorado | \$1,681 | | |
| | KINE | 120-501 | Ireland & The Netherlands | \$4,310 | | |
| | KINE | 201-500 | Helsinki, Espoo and Tempere, Finland | \$2,213 | | |
| | KINE | 285-501 | Ireland & The Netherlands | \$4,310 | | |
| | KINE | 483-550/485-550 | Vancouver, Canada | | \$2,244 | \$2,508 |
| | KINE | 485-500 | Helsinki, Espoo and Tempere, Finland | \$2,213 | | |
| | KINE | 485-505/685-602 | Ireland & The Netherlands | \$4,310 | | |
| | MEFB | 460-503 | New Zealand | \$5,030 | | |
| | RDNG | 461-900 | San Miguel de Allende and Guanajuato , Mexico | \$2,500 | | |
| | RDNG | 472-901 | Poland & Czech Republic | \$2,500 | | |
| | SPED | 485-550 | San Jose, San Isidro, and La Fortuna, Costa Rica | \$1,996 | | |
| | SPMT | 220-550 | Athens, Nafplio, Sparta, Olympia-Greece & Berlin, Germany | | \$3,270 | \$4,200 |
| | SPMT | 485-550/685-550 | Athens, Nafplio, Sparta, Olympia-Greece & Berlin, Germany | | \$3,270 | \$4,200 |
| | TEFB | 406-503/407-503 | New Zealand | \$5,030 | | |
| Engineering | ENGR | 285 | Ukraine & Georgia | \$2,500 | | |
| | ENGR | 291-501 | Merida, Yucatan Mexico | | \$200 | \$250 |
| | ENGR | 291-503 | Doha, Qatar | | \$2,000 | \$2,500 |
| | MEEN | 221-ALL/225-ALL | Santa Fe, Buenos Aires, Argentina | \$2,000 | | |
| | NUEN | 489-501/689-501 | Austria & Switzerland | | \$1,300 | \$2,500 |
| Geosciences | GEOG | 352-500 | Munich, Germany to Heerbrugg, Switzerland | \$1,930 | | |
| | GEOL | 180-ALL | Canyon Lake Gorge, Canyon Lake, Texas | | \$43 | \$53 |
| | GEOL | 250-ALL | West Texas and Eastern New Mexico | \$311 | | |
| | GEOL | 250-ALL | Eastern New Mexico, Western Texas Llano Region | | \$311 | \$409 |
| | GEOL | 304-ALL | Llano, Texas and Surroundings | \$75 | | |
| | GEOL | 350-501/350-502 | Dillon, Montana | \$1,780 | | |
| | GEOL | 350-503 | Utah, Montana | \$1,411 | | |
| | GEOL | 450-916/689-616 | Llano and Mason Counties, TX | \$40 | | |
| | GEOL | 610-600 | Waco, Henderson, Sargent, all in Texas | | \$109 | \$133 |
| | GEOL | 689-615 | Padre Island National Seashore | \$200 | | |
| | GEOP | 628-600 | Grand Junction, CO and Paradox Bain, UT | \$260 | | |
| | GEOS | 491-503 | Merida, Mexico | \$200 | | |
| LAUNCH- Undergrad Studies | UGST | 182-501/182-502 | London, United Kingdom | | \$2,100 | \$2,520 |
| Law School | CLSL | 7600-601 | Scotland | \$3,500 | | |
| | CLSL | 7600-602 | Israel | \$3,500 | | |
| Liberal Arts | ANTH | 330-161 | Burns, Oregon | \$250 | | |
| | ANTH | 330-501 | Texas, New Mexico, Arizona, Utah, and Nevada | \$150 | | |
| | ANTH | 461-500 | Western Texas, including Big Bend, & Guadalupe National Park | \$100 | | |
| | ANTH | 461-661 | Western Texas, including Big Bend, & Guadalupe National Park | \$100 | | |
| | ANTH | 661-600 | Western Texas, including Big Bend, & Guadalupe National Park | \$100 | | |
| | COMM | 257-500 | Rothko Chapel, Sul Ross, Houston TX | \$50 | | |
| | COMM | 289-100 | Costa Rica, San Jose, La Fortuna, Ciudad Quesada, Monteverde, Quepos, Sarchi | \$3,456 | | |

TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY
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FY 2018

| Department | Course | Course # | Destination | New Fee | Increased (Decreased) Fee | |
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| | | | | | From | To |
| <u>Field Trip Fees - Cont.</u> | | | | | | |
| Liberal Arts | COMM | 335-500 | Costa Rica: San Jose, La Fortuna, Ciudad Quesada, Monteverde, Quepos, Sarchi | \$3,286 | | |
| | COMM | 434-500 | Peru: Lima, Cuzco, Sacred Valley, Machu Picchu | \$4,061 | | |
| | COMM | 460-901 | South Africa, Johannesburg, Kruger, Cape Town | \$5,592 | | |
| | COMM | 485-500 | Costa Rica: San Jose, La Fortuna, Ciudad Quesada, Monteverde, Quepos, Sarchi | \$3,286 | | |
| | COMM | 485-500 | Peru: Lima, Cuzco, Sacred Valley, Machu Picchu | \$4,061 | | |
| | ENGL | 313-530 | London, United Kingdom | \$4,195 | | |
| | INTS | 205-520/285-500 | Rome, Italy | \$3,000 | | |
| | INTS | 285-500 | Berlin, Germany | \$2,200 | | |
| | INTS | 285-520 | Guanajuato, Mexico | \$2,604 | | |
| | POLS | 306-152 | Washington DC | | \$2,910 | \$2,700 |
| | RELS | 257-500/312-501 | Rothko Chapel, Sul Ross, Houston TX | \$50 | | |
| Exchange Pgm (no specific course) | N/A | N/A | Doha, Qatar | \$1,100 | | |
| School of Innovation | N/A | N/A | Hacienda Santa Clara, San Miguel de Allende, Mexico | \$250 | | |
| Transition Academic Programs | UGST | 182-501/182-502 | London, United Kingdom | \$2,540 | | |
| <u>Study Abroad Fees</u> | | | | | | |
| Agriculture & Life Sciences | HORT | 400, 440 & 485 | United Kingdom | \$10,513 | | |
| | HORT | 489 | Romania | \$10,509 | | |
| | RENr | 400 | Australia | \$10,500 | | |
| | RENr | 400 | Australia and Fiji | \$10,500 | | |
| | SCSC | 489 | Azerbaijan | \$10,503 | | |
| Architecture | ARCH | 485 & 685 | Barbados | \$10,503 | | |
| | CARC | 311/331 | Barbados | \$10,503 | | |
| | CARC | 311 | Costa Rica | \$7,000 | | |
| | CARC | 489 | New Zealand | \$10,504 | | |
| | COSC | 450 | United Kingdom | \$10,526 | | |
| | COSC | 463 & 489 | New Zealand | \$10,504 | | |
| | COSC | 489 | United Kingdom | \$10,526 | | |
| | ECEN | 350 & 469 | Australia | \$10,507 | | |
| | URPM | 361/440 | Peru | \$10,507 | | |
| Business | IBUS | 457 & 489 | Belgium | \$10,507 | | |
| | IBUS | 459 | Peru and Ecuador | \$10,523 | | |
| | IBUS | 489 & 689 | Chile | \$7,750 | | |
| | MGMT | 457 & 689 | Belgium | \$10,507 | | |
| | MKTG | 402 & 403 | Europe | \$10,500 | | |
| Education & Human Development | EHRD | 485 & 685 | Spain | \$10,501 | | |
| Engineering | BMEN | 420 | Peru | \$7,010 | | |
| | BMEN | 489 & 689 | Belgium | \$10,501 | | |
| | CHEN | 324 & 461 | Italy | \$10,510 | | |
| | CSCE | 489 | Germany | \$10,543 | | |
| | CVEN | 305 | France | \$9,205 | | |
| | CVEN | 311 | France | \$10,502 | | |
| | CVEN | 322 & 349 | Italy | \$15,000 | | |
| | ENGR | 482 | Egypt | \$7,003 | | |
| | ENGR | 482 | Peru | \$10,502 | | |
| | ESET | 444 | Germany | \$10,500 | | |
| | ISEN | 302 | Greece | \$10,520 | | |
| | ISEN | 440 | Chile | \$7,850 | | |
| | ISEN | 489 | Greece | \$10,520 | | |
| | MEEN | 315 | Italy | \$15,000 | | |
| | MEEN | 406 | Brazil | \$7,003 | | |
| | MSEN | 222 | Europe | \$10,534 | | |
| | NUEN | 451 | India | \$8,500 | | |
| | OCEN | 345, 415 & 485 | Italy | \$10,513 | | |

TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY
Field Trip/Study Abroad Program Fees
FY 2018

| Department | Course | Course # | Destination | New Fee | Increased (Decreased) Fee | |
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| | | | | | From | To |
| <u>Study Abroad Fees - Cont.</u> | | | | | | |
| Geosciences | ATMO | 370 | Europe | \$10,503 | | |
| | GEOL | 320 | Italy | \$15,000 | | |
| Liberal Arts | ANTH | 210 | Central Asia, Kazakhstan | \$10,511 | | |
| | ANTH | 225 | France | \$10,504 | | |
| | ANTH | 335 | Central Asia, Kazakhstan | \$10,511 | | |
| | ANTH | 370 | Mexico | \$6,045 | | |
| | ANTH | 370 | United Kingdom | \$8,385 | | |
| | ANTH | 485 | Central Asia, Kazakhstan | \$10,511 | | |
| | ANTH | 489 | France | \$10,504 | | |
| | COMM | 434 | Italy | \$7,000 | | |
| | ENGL | 210 | Italy | \$15,000 | | |
| | HIST | 307 & 322 | Spain | \$10,509 | | |
| | INTS | 484 | Japan | \$21,000 | | |
| | JAPN | 201 & 202 | Japan | \$21,000 | | |
| | JAPN | 301, 302 & 325 | Japan | \$21,000 | | |
| | JAPN | 491 | Japan | \$21,000 | | |
| | SPAN | 301, 318 & 491 | Argentina | \$10,508 | | |
| Veterinary Medicine & Biomed Sciences | VIBS | 489 | Thailand | \$8,250 | | |
| | VIBS | SPTP | Thailand: Case Studies in Global One Health | \$8,250 | | |
| | VTPP | 423 & 485 | United Kingdom | \$21,013 | | |
| | VTPP | 489 | Bulgaria | \$10,506 | | |

TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY - GALVESTON

Field Trip/Study Abroad Program Fees

FY 2018

| Department | Course | Course # | Destination | New Fee | Increased (Decreased) Fee | |
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| | | | | | From | To |
| <u>Field Trip Fees</u> | | | | | | |
| Texas A&M Galveston | ANTH | 225-401 | Houston Zoo, Houston, TX | \$42 | | |
| | DIVE | 250-ALL | Houston, TX | \$300 | | |
| | DIVE | 251-ALL | Pensacola, FL | \$680 | | |
| | DIVE | 330-ALL | Houston, TX | \$350 | | |
| | DIVE | 357-ALL | Lake Travis, Austin, TX | \$560 | | |
| | DIVE | 489-ALL | Lake Scuba Park, Lake Travis Scuba Park
(Windy Point) | \$546 | | |
| | KINE | 199-250 | Lake Houston, TX | | \$89 | \$100 |
| | KINE | 199-251 | Lake Houston, TX | \$100 | | |
| | KINE | 199-416 | Windy Point Scuba, Austin, TX | \$566 | | |
| | MARB | 302-250 | Sea World San Antonio, Texas | \$830 | | |
| | MARB | 302-251 | Sea World San Antonio, Texas | \$830 | | |
| | MARB | 320-401 | Texas Hill Country | \$525 | | |
| | MARB | 320-402 | Texas Hill Country | \$525 | | |
| | MARB | 345-401 | Blue Lagoon, Huntsville, TX | | \$385 | \$475 |
| | MARB | 345-402 | Blue Lagoon, Huntsville, TX | | \$385 | \$475 |
| | | | Galveston West End, Artist Boat Heritage | | | |
| | MARB | 430-ALL | Prairie Preserve | | \$78 | \$98 |
| | MARS | 365-401 | Galveston Bay | \$60 | | |
| | MAST | 265-401 | Texas Seaport Museum, Galveston, TX;
Private Residence, Katy, TX | \$162 | | |
| | MAST | 489-402 | Blue Lagoon, Huntsville, TX | \$490 | | |
| | POLS | 231-401 | Washington DC | | \$500 | \$600 |
| | POLS | 231-405 | Xi'an, China | \$1,700 | | |
| | POLS | 366-401 | Commerce, Texas | | \$150 | \$200 |

TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY - CENTRAL TEXAS**Field Trip/Study Abroad Program Fees****FY 2018**

| Department | Course | Course # | Destination | New Fee | Increased (Decreased) Fee | |
|---------------------------------|--------|----------|----------------------|---------|---------------------------|----|
| | | | | | From | To |
| <u>Study Abroad Fees</u> | | | | | | |
| Intercultural Development | COUN | 5389 | Ho Chi Minh, Vietnam | \$4,100 | | |
| | ANTH | 4389 | Edinburgh, Scotland | \$4,385 | | |
| | ANTH | 5389 | Edinburgh, Scotland | \$4,385 | | |
| | RELS | 4389 | Edinburgh, Scotland | \$4,385 | | |
| | RELS | 5389 | Edinburgh, Scotland | \$4,385 | | |

TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY-COMMERCE

Field Trip/Study Abroad Program Fees

FY 2018

| Department | Course | Course # | Destination | New Fee | Increased (Decreased) Fee | |
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| | | | | | From | To |
| <u>Field Trip Fees</u> | | | | | | |
| Social Work | SWK | 489 | New York, NY | \$750.00 | | |
| Counseling | COUN | 397/497 | Birmingham, AL | \$200.00 | | |
| <u>Study Abroad Fees</u> | | | | | | |
| Regents Scholars Program | RSP | 497 | Western Europe | \$1,000.00 | | |
| Counseling | COUN | 397/497/597 | Mexico | \$500.00 | | |
| Social Work | SWK | 497/597 | Costa Rica | \$1,380.00 | | |
| | SWK | 497/597 | Costa Rica | | \$1,635.00 | \$1,595.00 |
| Political Science | PSCI | 497 | Ukraine | | \$3,000.00 | \$3,000.00 |
| Criminal Justice | CJ | 497/597 | Belize | \$1,969.75 | | |

TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY - CORPUS CHRISTI

Field Trip/Study Abroad Program Fees

FY 2018

| Department | Course | Course # | Destination | New Fee | Increased (Decreased) Fee | |
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| | | | | | From | To |
| <u>Study Abroad Fees</u> | | | | | | |
| Communication | COMM | 1311 | Spain | | \$3,866.36 | \$3,906.69 |
| Early Childhood Education | ECED | 4345 | Mexico | \$2,440.00 | | |
| English | ENGL | 2316 | Spain | | \$3,866.36 | \$3,906.69 |
| History | HIST | 1302 | Spain | | \$3,866.36 | \$3,906.69 |
| Honors | HONR | 4390 | Mexico | \$851.00 | | |
| Psychology | PSYC | 2301 | Spain | | \$3,866.36 | \$3,906.69 |
| Spanish | SPAN | 1311 | Spain | | \$3,866.36 | \$3,906.69 |
| | SPAN | 1312 | Spain | | \$3,866.36 | \$3,906.69 |
| Special Education | SPED | 5385 | Mexico | \$2,440.00 | | |

TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY - KINGSVILLE

Field Trip/Study Abroad Program Fees

FY 2018

| Department | Course | Course # | Destination | New Fee | Increased (Decreased) Fee | |
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| | | | | | From | To |
| <u>Study Abroad Fees</u> | | | | | | |
| Communication Sciences & Disorders | CSDO | 5330 | Belize | \$3,200.00 | | |
| Department of Social Work | SCWK | 4306 | Ponce, Puerto Rico | \$1,808.00 | | |
| Department of Language & Literature | FREN | 2315 | Paris, France | \$4,092.00 | | |
| Music | MUSC | 4399 | Vienna, Austria | \$2,900.00 | | |
| Business Administration | MKTG | 4395 | Lunenburg, Germany | \$2,980.00 | | |
| | MKTG | 4395 | Paris, France | \$4,595.00 | | |
| | MGTM | 4395 | Paris, France | \$4,595.00 | | |
| Biology | BIOL | 4355 | Ponce, Puerto Rico | \$3,700.00 | \$3,180.00 | \$3,700.00 |
| | BIOL | 5302 | Ponce, Puerto Rico | \$3,700.00 | | |
| Department of History & Political Science | POLS | 4370 | Kofu, Japan | \$2,600.00 | | |
| Counseling and Educational Leadership | EDCG | 5341 | Inverness, Scotland | \$4,127.00 | \$4,140.00 | \$4,127.00 |
| | EDCG | 5321 | Inverness, Scotland | \$4,127.00 | \$4,140.00 | \$4,127.00 |
| | EDCG | 5324 | Inverness, Scotland | \$4,127.00 | \$4,140.00 | \$4,127.00 |
| | EDCG | 5339 | Inverness, Scotland | \$4,127.00 | \$4,140.00 | \$4,127.00 |

TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY - TEXARKANA**Field Trip/Study Abroad Program Fees****FY 2018**

| Department | Course | Course # | Destination | New Fee | Increased (Decreased) Fee | |
|---------------------------------|--------|----------|-------------|------------|---------------------------|------------|
| | | | | | From | To |
| <u>Study Abroad Fees</u> | | | | | | |
| CASE | AHED | 597 | Mexico | \$1,773.00 | \$2,506.00 | \$1,773.00 |
| | ESL | 472 | Mexico | \$1,773.00 | \$2,506.00 | \$1,773.00 |

WEST TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY
Field Trip/Study Abroad Program Fees
FY 2018

| Department | Course | Course # | Destination | New Fee | Increased (Decreased) Fee | |
|---------------------------------|--------|----------|----------------|------------|---------------------------|------------|
| | | | | | From | To |
| <u>Field Trip Fees</u> | | | | | | |
| EPML | SPAN | 2311 | Nicaragua | | \$1,650.00 | \$2,543.00 |
| ECSM | EVEG | 6332 | Honduras | \$2,463.57 | | |
| | MENG | 4392 | Honduras | \$2,463.57 | | |
| | ET | 6350 | Honduras | \$2,463.57 | | |
| Education, PSSW, PSCJ | EDPD | 4388 | Mexico | | \$2,600.00 | \$3,500.00 |
| | EDPD | 4363 | Mexico | | \$2,600.00 | \$3,500.00 |
| | EDPD | 6304 | Mexico | | \$2,600.00 | \$3,500.00 |
| | EPSY | 3350 | Mexico | | \$2,600.00 | \$3,500.00 |
| | PSYC | 6099 | Mexico | | \$2,600.00 | \$3,500.00 |
| | POSC | 2305 | Mexico | | \$2,600.00 | \$3,500.00 |
| Communication | COMM | 4300 | South Africa | \$5,277.00 | | |
| | MCOM | 4300 | South Africa | \$5,277.00 | | |
| <u>Study Abroad Fees</u> | | | | | | |
| EPML | SPAN | 3306 | Costa Rica | \$6,661.04 | | |
| Education | EDPD | 4378 | Italy | \$6,780.00 | | |
| | EDPD | 4388 | Italy | \$6,780.00 | | |
| | EDEC | 3384 | Italy | \$6,780.00 | | |
| | EDRD | 6344 | Italy | \$6,780.00 | | |
| | COUN | 6328 | Italy | \$6,780.00 | | |
| | COUN | 6330 | Italy | \$6,780.00 | | |
| History | HIST | 3336 | Germany/Poland | \$5,464.46 | | |
| | HIST | 6096 | Germany/Poland | \$5,464.46 | | |
| | HIST | 4337 | Germany/Poland | \$5,464.46 | | |
| | HIST | 3334 | Germany/Poland | \$5,464.46 | | |
| Music | MUEN | 2140 | Scotland | \$6,118.00 | | |

TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY - HEALTH SCIENCE CENTER

Field Trip/Study Abroad Program Fees

FY 2018

| Department | Course | Course # | Destination | New Fee | Increased (Decreased) Fee | |
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| | | | | | From | To |
| <u>Study Abroad</u> | | | | | | |
| Health Science Center | PHLT | 470 | Costa Rica | \$7,001 | | |
| | PHLT | 485 | Germany | \$11,350 | | |
| | PHLT | 489 | Germany | \$11,350 | | |

THE TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY SYSTEM

Field Trip/Study Abroad Program Fees

FY 2018

The following System Members submitted no new or amended Field Trip/Study Abroad Program Fees:

Prairie View A&M University

Texas A&M University-San Antonio

Agenda Item No.

AGENDA ITEM BRIEFING

Submitted by: Ruth J. Simmons, President
Prairie View A&M University

Subject: Authorization to Award an Honorary Degree to Dr. Michael Eric Dyson

Proposed Board Action:

Authorize the president of Prairie View A&M University (PVAMU) to award an Honorary Doctor of Letters degree to Dr. Michael Eric Dyson.

Background Information:

In accordance with Section 1.2 of System Policy [11.07, Granting of Honorary Degrees](#), PVAMU submits this request to award an Honorary Doctor of Letters degree to Dr. Michael Eric Dyson. This recognition is in tribute to his distinguished career and for the positive and significant impact his lifetime of service has made on the general public.

The nomination for this Honorary Doctor of Letters degree received the unanimous support of the University Honorary Degrees Committee.

With board authorization, this honorary degree will be presented to Dr. Dyson at PVAMU's commencement ceremony in May 2019.

A&M System Funding or Other Financial Implications:

None.

Agenda Item No.

PRAIRIE VIEW A&M UNIVERSITY

Office of the President

October 23, 2018

Members, Board of Regents
The Texas A&M University System

Subject: Authorization to Award an Honorary Degree to Dr. Michael Eric Dyson

I recommend approval of the following minute order:

**“The president of Prairie View A&M University is authorized to award
an Honorary Doctor of Letters degree to Dr. Michael Eric Dyson.”**

Respectfully submitted,

Ruth J. Simmons
President

Approval Recommended:

John Sharp
Chancellor

Billy Hamilton
Deputy Chancellor and
Chief Financial Officer

James R. Hallmark, Ph.D.
Vice Chancellor for Academic Affairs

Approved for Legal Sufficiency:

Ray Bonilla
General Counsel

Prairie View A&M University
Honorary Degree Candidate Summary

Dr. Michael Eric Dyson
Candidate for Honorary Doctor of Letters

Dr. Michael Eric Dyson received his Ph.D. from Princeton University in 1993 and has authored 19 books on subjects such as the legacy of Martin Luther King, Jr, Malcolm X, Marvin Gaye, and Hurricane Katrina's devastating and long lasting effects.

Nominated three times (2004, 2006 and 2007), Dyson has won two NAACP Image Awards for Outstanding Literary Work in Non-Fiction and the American Book Award in 2007 for *Come Hell or High Water: Hurricane Katrina and the Color of Disaster*. *Essence* named Michael Eric Dyson one of the 40 most inspiring African Americans and *Ebony* listed him among the 100 most influential black Americans.

Dr. Dyson serves on the board of directors of the Common Ground Foundation, a project dedicated to empowering urban youth in the United States. He is a regular guest and speaker at the Aspen Institute Conferences and Ideas and lectures on many American college campuses. He is also a commentator on National Public Radio and CNN.

Dr. Dyson is a professor of Sociology at Georgetown University and has also taught at Brown University, the University of Pennsylvania, the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill, DePaul University, Columbia University, and the Chicago Theological Seminary.

A prolific author, he is a contributing opinion writer at The New York Times, an MSNBC political analyst, a contributing editor at New Republic, the host of the Michael Eric Dyson Podcast featuring Dr. Dan Ratner, and an ordained Baptist minister for over 30 years.

The Michael Eric Dyson Show radio program debuted on April 6, 2009 and was broadcast from Morgan State University. The show's first guest was Oprah Winfrey, to whom Dr. Dyson dedicated his book *Can You Hear Me Now?: The Inspiration, Wisdom, and Insight of Michael Eric Dyson*.

Throughout his career, Dr. Dyson has had a profound effect on American culture and thinking. His latest book, *What Truth Sounds Like*, continues the conversation started in his 2017 bestseller *Tears We Cannot Stop*, and was the winner of the 2018 Southern Books Prize for nonfiction.

Agenda Item No.

AGENDA ITEM BRIEFING

Submitted by: Pablo Arenaz, President
Texas A&M International University

Subject: Granting of Faculty Development Leave for FY 2020,
Texas A&M International University

Proposed Board Action:

Authorize faculty development leave for FY 2020 at Texas A&M International University (TAMIU).

Background Information:

System Policy [31.03, Leaves of Absence](#), and System Regulation [12.99.01, Faculty Development Leave](#), require that a recommendation for faculty development leave be submitted by the university president to the chancellor for recommendation to the Board of Regents for approval. At TAMIU, the application is submitted with support of the academic department, college dean, university development leave committee (elected by the general faculty), provost and vice president for academic affairs, and president.

As shown in the exhibit, TAMIU requests approval for faculty development leave for two faculty members for FY 2020.

TAMIU is in compliance with the statutory requirement that no more than six percent of eligible faculty be on development leave at any time.

A&M System Funding or Other Financial Implications:

No additional funding is required. Department faculty members are assuming the recommended faculty members' teaching loads by adjusting course offerings the next academic year.

Agenda Item No.

TEXAS A&M INTERNATIONAL UNIVERSITY

Office of the President

October 18, 2018

Members, Board of Regents
The Texas A&M University System

Subject: Granting of Faculty Development Leave for FY 2020,
Texas A&M International University

I recommend adoption of the following minute order:

“The Board of Regents of The Texas A&M University System, in accordance with System Policy 31.03, System Regulation 12.99.01 and Sections 51.101-108 of the Texas Education Code, authorizes faculty development leave to the faculty members as shown in the exhibit, Faculty Development Leave List FY 2020, Texas A&M International University.”

Respectfully submitted,

Pablo Arenaz
President

Approval Recommended:

John Sharp
Chancellor

Billy Hamilton
Deputy Chancellor and
Chief Financial Officer

James R. Hallmark, Ph.D.
Vice Chancellor for Academic Affairs

Approved for Legal Sufficiency:

Ray Bonilla
General Counsel

**FACULTY DEVELOPMENT LEAVE LIST
FY 2020
TEXAS A&M INTERNATIONAL UNIVERSITY**

| Name/
Title/
Department | Years of
TAMIU
Tenured,
Tenure-
Track
Service | Semester of
Leave | Location and Brief Description of Leave |
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| COLLEGE OF ARTS AND SCIENCES | | | |
| John Dean
Associate Professor
Humanities | 10 | Fall 2019-
Spring 2020 | Leave will be spent in Laredo and San Antonio, Texas. Dr. Dean will conduct research in various state and southwest U.S. archives and write his third book. His tentative title is "Nationalism and the Border." It will focus on how nationalistic rhetoric in 19 th century American political discourse has a long history that dates back to the Puritan foundations of this country but also extends itself into our political present, where the border/frontier has become, again, the site of national and international contestation. This will be his third book focused on border history and literature. The leave will benefit students and colleagues through an increase in knowledge that will be incorporated into the classroom. |
| Robert W. Haynes
Professor
Humanities | 26 | Fall 2019 | Leave will be spent primarily in Laredo, Texas. Dr. Haynes has accumulated unpublished material over the last few years and requests the fall semester to collate the materials and write the first draft of a book, a monograph of literary criticism that demonstrates a departure from mainstream opinions on the works of Mr. Horton Foote, writer and author of 20 th century plays and films (e.g., To Kill a Mockingbird) mostly set in a small town in Texas. The collection of materials and first draft of the book will serve as a resource and increase student engagement by enriching course content. |

Agenda Item No.

TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY

Office of the President

October 23, 2018

Members, Board of Regents
The Texas A&M University System

Subject: Approval of Academic Tenure, January 2019, Texas A&M University

I recommend adoption of the following minute order.

“The Board of Regents of The Texas A&M University System, in accordance with System Policy 12.01, *Academic Freedom, Responsibility and Tenure*, hereby authorizes the granting of tenure to the following faculty members at Texas A&M University as set forth in the exhibit, Tenure List No. 19-02.”

Respectfully submitted,

Michael K. Young
President

Approval Recommended:

John Sharp
Chancellor

Billy Hamilton
Deputy Chancellor and
Chief Financial Officer

James R. Hallmark, Ph.D.
Vice Chancellor for Academic Affairs

Approved for Legal Sufficiency:

Ray Bonilla
General Counsel

**TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY
RECOMMENDATIONS FOR TENURE
TENURE LIST NO. 19-02**

| <u>Name</u> | <u>Present Rank
Department</u> | <u>Years Towards
Tenure*</u> | | <u>Effective
Date/Tenure</u> | <u>Education</u> | <u>Employment
Towards Tenure</u> |
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| COLLEGE OF ENGINEERING | | | | | | |
| Dr. Elaine S. Oran | Professor
Aerospace
Engineering | 0 | >15 | Upon Approval
by the Board and
Faculty Arrival | Ph.D. (1972)
Yale
University | 1988 – 2013
Senior Scientist
U.S. Naval Research Laboratory

Fa 2013 - Fa 2018
Professor (Tenured 2013)
University of Maryland

Sp 2019
Professor
Texas A&M University |
| COLLEGE OF SCIENCE | | | | | | |
| Dr. Robert C. Kennicutt,
Jr. | Professor
Physics and
Astronomy | 0 | >15 | Upon Approval by
the Board and
Faculty Arrival | Ph.D. (1978)
University of
Washington | Fa 1992 – Sp 2005
Professor
University of Arizona

Fa 2005 – Sp 2017
Professor (Tenured 2005)
University of Cambridge

Fa 2018
Professor
Texas A&M University |

MAYS BUSINESS SCHOOL

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| Dr. Daniel A. Cohen | Professor
Accounting | 0 | 14 | Upon Approval by
the Board and
Faculty Arrival | Ph.D. (2004)
Northwestern
University | Fa 2010 – Su 2013
Associate Professor (Tenured
2010)
University of Texas at Dallas

Fa 2013 – Sp 2019
Professor
University of Texas at Dallas

Su 2019
Professor
Texas A&M University |
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* Each university determines, through a review process, the number of years each faculty member will be awarded tenure based on his/her dossier.

Agenda Item No.

AGENDA ITEM BRIEFING

Submitted by: Michael K. Young, President
Texas A&M University

Subject: Granting of Faculty Development Leave for FY 2020, Texas A&M University

Proposed Board Action:

Authorize faculty development leave for FY 2020 at Texas A&M University (Texas A&M).

Background Information:

System Policy [31.03, Leaves of Absence](#), and System Regulation [12.99.01, Faculty Development Leave](#), require that a recommendation for faculty development leave be submitted by the university president to the chancellor for recommendation to the Board of Regents for approval. At Texas A&M, the application is submitted with support of the academic department, college dean, university development leave committee (elected by the general faculty), provost and executive vice president for academic affairs and president.

As shown in the exhibit, Texas A&M requests approval for faculty development leave for 70 faculty members for FY 2020.

Texas A&M is in compliance with the statutory requirement that no more than six percent of eligible faculty be on development leave at any time.

A&M System Funding or Other Financial Implications:

No additional funding is required. Department faculty members are assuming the recommended faculty members' teaching loads by adjusting course offerings the next academic year.

Agenda Item No.

TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY

Office of the President

October 31, 2018

Members, Board of Regents
The Texas A&M University System

Subject: Granting of Faculty Development Leave for FY 2020, Texas A&M University

I recommend adoption of the following minute order:

“The Board of Regents of The Texas A&M University System, in accordance with System Policy 31.03, System Regulation 12.99.01 and Sections 51.101-108 of the Texas Education Code, authorizes faculty development leave to the faculty members as shown in the attached exhibit, Faculty Development Leave List FY 2020, Texas A&M University.”

Respectfully submitted,

Michael K. Young
President

Approval Recommended:

Approved for Legal Sufficiency:

John Sharp
Chancellor

Ray Bonilla
General Counsel

Billy Hamilton
Deputy Chancellor and
Chief Financial Officer

James R. Hallmark, Ph.D.
Vice Chancellor for Academic Affairs

**FACULTY DEVELOPMENT LEAVE LIST
FY 2020
TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY**

| Name/
Title/
Department | Years of
Texas
A&M
Tenured,
Tenure-
Track
Service | Semester of
Leave | Location and Brief Description of Leave |
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| BUSH SCHOOL OF GOVERNMENT AND PUBLIC SERVICE | | | |
| Ann O'M.
Bowman
Professor
Public Service and
Administration | 10 | Spring 2020 | Dr. Bowman's leave will take place in College Station, Texas, researching the amount of power and authority American state governments give to their local governments. The allocation of power has implications for the efficiency and effectiveness of state and local governments and their responsiveness to the public. The leave will benefit Dr. Bowman's research program, enhance her teaching of related graduate courses, and complement the Bush School's expanded emphasis on state and local government. The potential application of the research findings in the public sector is a longer-term benefit, one that reflects Texas A&M's mission. |
| COLLEGE OF AGRICULTURE AND LIFE SCIENCES | | | |
| Vladislav M. Panin
Professor
Biochemistry and
Biophysics | 16 | Fall 2019 | Dr. Panin's leave will take place at the University of Copenhagen, in Denmark, in a world-renowned laboratory that develops unique multidisciplinary strategies for glycoproteomic analyses. These strategies are highly relevant for National Institutes of Health supported projects on muscular dystrophy in Dr. Panin's laboratory. Leave activities will include the investigation of genes involved in human diseases. The leave will benefit not only the research in Dr. Panin's laboratory, but also the broader Texas A&M academic community by making new expertise available to other researchers, facilitating research and funding in novel biomedical areas, enhancing student education in biomedical fields, establishing collaborations with international scientists, and promoting the international reputation of Texas A&M. |

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| James F. Petrick
Professor
Recreation, Park,
and Tourism
Sciences | 19 | Fall 2019 | Dr. Petrick's leave will take place in College Station, Texas. His time will be spent formulating a research team to study the physiological benefits of travel. This team will work on completing research articles from the preliminary data that has been collected over the past 12 months. These findings will be used by the research team to seek external funding from sources including the National Institutes of Health. It is believed this area of inquiry will greatly benefit the field and Texas A&M. |
| Vijay P. Singh
Distinguished
Professor
Biological and
Agricultural
Engineering | 12 | Fall 2019 | Dr. Singh's leave will take place at the National Institute of Hydrology and the Indian Institute on Technology, both located in Roorkee, India. Dr. Singh will collaborate with scientists and faculty on the modeling of simultaneous occurrences of natural disasters, such as extreme winds and rains, and heat waves and drought. The collaboration will lead to joint publications. The benefits for the College of Agriculture and Life Sciences and Texas A&M include opening new opportunities for institutional research collaboration, student exchange, and developing joint research projects. |
| Hojun Song
Associate
Professor
Entomology | 3 | Spring 2020 | Dr. Song's leave will take place at the Commonwealth Scientific and Industrial Research Organisation's Australian National Insect Collection in Canberra, Australia, where he will study and describe new species of Australian grasshoppers. Dr. Song's research focuses on documenting the biodiversity of grasshoppers and will initiate a process of restoring taxonomic expertise in Australian grasshoppers. The benefits include the expansion of his research program to a global scale, which will raise the profile of the Texas A&M Entomology Program and provide international educational opportunities for students. |
| Paul D. Straight
Associate
Professor
Biochemistry and
Biophysics | 10 | Spring 2020 | Dr. Straight's leave will take place at the University of Toronto, Canada, working with Dr. Amy Caudy, an internationally recognized leader in metabolomics. Dr. Straight's research led to the discovery of metabolic adaptations that promote antibiotic resistance in bacteria. While on leave, Dr. Straight will develop subsequent studies to generate large-scale metabolic datasets that will require specialized mass spectrometry and computational analysis. Dr. Straight's developmental leave will benefit his research, the teaching mission of his department, and the strategic vision of the university. |

| COLLEGE OF ARCHITECTURE | | | |
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| Liliana O. Beltrán
Associate
Professor
Architecture | 16 | Fall 2019 | Dr. Beltran's leave will take place in Kyoto, Tokyo, and Osaka, Japan, where she will quantitatively and qualitatively study good quality lighting in contemporary Japanese buildings. In doing so, she will strengthen relationships with colleagues at Ritsumeikan University to be better able to pursue collaborative peer-reviewed publications and research grants. Dr. Beltran's research outcomes will be submitted for publication to benefit the department and university with new collaborative grant possibilities. The resulting publications will further strengthen Texas A&M's position to provide thought, leadership and research excellence in the daylighting field. |
| Jinsil H. Seo
Associate
Professor
Visualization | 7 | Fall 2019 | Dr. Seo's leave will take place at the Korea Advanced Institute of Science & Technology (KAIST) located in Daejeon, Republic of Korea, to conduct collaborative research with faculty members in the human computer interaction program within the Department of Industrial Design (ID). ID KAIST serves as a world-leading research-centered design education program in interaction design and mixed reality. Dr. Seo will expand her research through various collaborative and educational activities. She will develop new interactive immersive designs supporting users' communication and embodiment in education and health contexts. The outcomes from the development will benefit her students, the department, and the university. |
| COLLEGE OF EDUCATION AND HUMAN DEVELOPEMENT | | | |
| Michael M. Beyerlein
Professor
Educational
Administration and
Human Resource
Development | 5 | Fall 2019 | Dr. Beyerlein's leave will take place in College Station, Texas, with brief trips to Wichita State University, Kansas, and Lousiana State University, Lousiana. This will enable expanded research about teams as engines of learning and creativity. His primary projects include the study of student teams participating in intense design weekends called Aggies Invent and the study of interdisciplinary faculty research teams funded by the Texas A&M Triads for Transformation (T3) and X-grants programs. The innovative approach to the student team research has the potential to reframe the way teams are used on campus. The study of faculty teams will generate an assessment system for guiding long-term decision making by the Office of the Vice President for Research. |

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| Jennifer Ganz
Professor
Educational
Psychology | 10 | Fall 2019 –
Spring 2020 | Dr. Ganz’s leave will take place in College Station, Texas. Dr. Ganz will conduct data collection/analyses and submit manuscripts for externally-funded projects and submit a proposal to the United States Department of Education on children with autism, families, and educators that require innovative support to ensure positive outcomes, particularly those at-risk and who are minimally or non-verbal. Dr. Ganz’s work will benefit Texas families and educators who will receive direct services or instruction. Dr. Ganz will mentor Texas A&M University graduate students in this research, while advancing the field with regards to educating individuals with autism, which will benefit international researchers. The data collection and produced manuscripts will increase Texas A&M University’s influence via attention garnered from publications and grant proposals. |
| Wen Luo
Associate
Professor
Educational
Psychology | 5 | Fall 2019 –
Spring 2020 | Dr. Luo’s leave will take place in College Station, Texas, and Denver, Colorado, to conduct evaluations and write journal articles that examine the model of School Inclusion, the relationship between school, home, community, and child development. In addition, Dr. Luo will submit a grant proposal focusing on methodological issues in analyzing large scale national data. The proposed projects will better position Dr. Luo for future funding, enrich her teaching and mentoring, and increase the visibility of Texas A&M University. |
| Charles R. Ridley
Professor
Educational
Psychology | 11 | Fall 2019 | Dr. Ridley’s leave will take place in College Station, Texas, and enable Dr. Ridley to complete the development and dissemination of programmatic research concerning The Process Model of Multicultural Counseling Competence. Dr. Ridley aims to produce a series of manuscript submissions, validate the Multicultural Supervisory Evaluation form, complete a series of training module materials, identify potential external funding sources to support future research in this area, and develop a standard of care for diverse populations. The proposed activities will create meaningful opportunities for doctoral students and favorably impact future graduate course offerings. |

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| Jia Wang
Professor
Educational
Administration and
Human Resource
Development | 11 | Spring 2020 | Dr. Wang's leave will take place at Glasgow Caledonian University (GCU), Scotland, and briefly at University of Southampton (Soton), England. During this leave, Dr. Wang will undertake two international research collaborations – one with Dr. David McGuire (GCU) on workplace civility and the other with Dr. Mina Beigi (Soton) on career choices of international graduates at Soton. The benefits of Dr. Wang's leave include gaining new knowledge and experience through international research collaborations joint manuscript development and establishing relationships with GCU and Soton as two future study-abroad sites for Texas A&M University students. |
| COLLEGE OF ENGINEERING | | | |
| Michael J. Demkowicz
Associate
Professor
Materials Science
and Engineering | 3 | Fall 2019 | Dr. Demkowicz's leave will take place in Krakow, Poland. He will develop an open-source software package for materials, and research and publish a peer-reviewed paper on it. These activities will have global impact, clearing the way for new, previously inaccessible materials research. The software will enhance the visibility and prestige of the Materials Science and Engineering Department as well as Texas A&M. It will have a user-friendly interface, making it easy to incorporate into lectures and labs, thereby enhancing materials education. Dr. Demkowicz will also engage with Texas A&M's students spending time abroad in Krakow as part of the College of Engineering's Global Programs. |
| Thomas K. Ferris
Associate
Professor
Industrial and
Systems
Engineering | 7 | Fall 2019 –
Spring 2020 | Dr. Ferris' leave will take place at the Central Texas Veterans Health Care System (CTVHCS) in Temple, Texas. He will collaborate with CTVHCS researchers to refine a "risk stratification" algorithm used to predict patient care needs and design human-centered cognitive tools employing this algorithm to support scheduling and treatment decisions. Dr. Ferris will gain a deeper understanding of real-world problems facing healthcare systems, thus supporting his research program and providing anecdotes that can enrich his teaching. The Industrial and Systems Engineering Department, College of Engineering, Texas A&M, and affiliated research centers benefit from strengthened connections to a potential source of external research support. |
| Natarajan Gautam
Professor
Industrial and
Systems
Engineering | 13 | Fall 2019 | Dr. Gautam's leave will take place in Berkeley, California, and Los Alamos, New Mexico. He will spend time collaboratively identifying impactful research issues, collecting data, and developing novel methods for energy efficiency in industrial operations with an emphasis on data centers. This experience will give Dr. Gautam the competitive advantage to obtain grants for sponsored projects in the near-term, and subsequently, form a consortium for industrial energy-efficiency research and |

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| | | | education. Besides developing a sustained research program in a strategic area for Texas A&M, this leave will also benefit students' research and aid in developing teaching materials. |
| Harvey E. Hawkins, Jr.
Professor
Civil Engineering | 14 | Fall 2019 –
Spring 2020 | Dr. Hawkins' leave will take place in College Station, Texas, to focus on three inter-related activities intended to improve traffic control devices for the traveling public. Dr. Hawkins plans to improve the interactions between connected and autonomous vehicle technologies and traffic control devices, developing a long-range strategic approach to traffic control device research, and contributing to federal rulemaking on traffic control device standards. His leave will enhance Texas A&M's reputation in the transportation field and expand research opportunities to pursue after completion of his leave. |
| I-Hong Hou
Associate
Professor
Electrical and
Computer
Engineering | 6 | Fall 2019 –
Spring 2020 | Dr. Hou's leave will take place at the University of California (UC), Berkeley, and Intel Labs. In the first half of his leave, Dr. Hou will work with Dr. Varaiya at UC Berkeley to study intelligent transportation systems. In the second half of his leave, Dr. Hou will work with researchers at Intel Labs to develop new algorithms for ultra-low latency applications in emerging fifth generation (5G) wireless networks. Dr. Hou's leave will benefit Texas A&M through potential future collaborative grant proposals with UC Berkeley and funding from Intel. |
| Sunil P. Khatri
Professor
Electrical and
Computer
Engineering | 14 | Fall 2019 | Dr. Khatri's leave will take place at Arizona State University (ASU), Arizona, and at the Air Force Research Laboratory in Rome, New York. Dr. Khatri will collaborate with key ASU researchers and co-develop ideas for hardware machine learning that are hundreds of times more efficient than existing approaches. His objectives are to forge lasting research collaborations in an important growing area, explore long-term funding through this research, and develop new material for a course based on the research conducted. Texas A&M will benefit from the long-term research collaborations, the resulting funding, visibility and academic impact. Texas A&M students will benefit from the new course that will be developed. |
| Dmitri Loguinov
Professor
Computer Science
and Engineering | 16 | Spring 2020 | Dr. Loguinov's leave will take place in College Station, Texas. The activities will include expanding research capabilities of Texas A&M in areas of resilient storage, scalable data analytics, high-performance computing, and networked systems. The expected benefits include enabling Texas A&M to better compete for external research funding, publications in top conferences/journals, delivery of contemporary material to computer-science courses, better preparation of students for the future data-driven |

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| | | | technological world, attraction of Texas A&M undergraduates to our Ph.D. program, and ultimately increasing the reputation and research performance of the university. |
| Rabinarayan N. Mahapatra
Professor
Computer Science and Engineering | 17 | Fall 2019 – Spring 2020 | Dr. Mahapatra's leave will take place at the Indian Institute of Technology, Bhubaneswar, India, and Southern University of Science and Technology, Shenzhen, China. The visits will advance Dr. Mahapatra's research collaboration on data analytic accelerators for embedded systems. The visits will help combine the fundamental research at Texas A&M University with the hosts' rich experience to develop software architecture and system integration to cope with the challenges in the field of emerging applications of Internet of Things. It will also help recruit top-notch students from the two institutions and increase Texas A&M's visibility and international reputation. |
| Gretchen R. Miller
Associate Professor
Civil Engineering | 9 | Spring 2020 | Dr. Miller's leave will primarily take place in College Station, Texas, with multi-week visits to the National Center for Atmospheric Research in Boulder, Colorado, and the Pacific Northwest National Laboratory in Benton County, Washington. She will use her leave to complete and submit several publications stemming from recent projects. She also will obtain training on two new software packages used for modeling hydrologic processes. These efforts will benefit Texas A&M by allowing Dr. Miller to submit more competitive grants to agencies such as the Department of Energy, to better train graduate students in advanced modeling technologies, and to enhance research productivity through additional publications. |
| Vijaykumar G. Panchang
Professor
Ocean Engineering | 16 | Fall 2019 – Spring 2020 | Dr. Panchang's leave will take place in London. He will study new degree programs in flood engineering offered jointly by Brunel University London and HR Wallingford and the new "integrated engineering" and "engineering-policy" curricula at University College London. He will also examine engineering similarities between the Thames Estuary barrier upgrades and the Ike Dyke Project proposed for Galveston Bay, and build on his coastal modeling research by incorporating climate change. Texas A&M will benefit through new courses in flood engineering, enhanced research capabilities, and grant opportunities related to flood protection. |
| Sivakumar Rathinam
Associate Professor
Mechanical Engineering | 9 | Fall 2019 | Dr. Rathinam's leave will take place at the Underwater Systems and Technology Laboratory (LSTS) at the University of Porto, Portugal. Dr. Rathinam's objective is to collaborate with the researchers at the LSTS, formulate new problems, participate in field experiments and publish research articles in Autonomous Underwater Vehicles. The algorithms developed during this collaboration will also lead to the submission of new proposals to the Office of Naval Research and other national laboratories. Teaching |

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| | | | modules will be added to the courses Dr. Rathinam is currently teaching based on this research collaboration. |
| Luis A. San Andrés
Professor
Mechanical
Engineering | 28 | Fall 2019 | Dr. San Andrés' leave will take place at Xi'an Jiaotong University in the People's Republic of China. Dr. San Andrés will formalize a long-term collaborative research program in rotating machinery for oil and gas applications, in particular, seals for steam turbines. Dr. San Andrés will visit industries to promote their enrollment in the Texas A&M Turbomachinery Research Consortium and invite their participation at the 2020 TEES Asia Turbomachinery & Pump Symposia scheduled in Kuala Lumpur. The College of Engineering turbo-lab will increase its international footprint and status in various Asian countries. |
| Hamid A. Toliyat
Professor
Electrical and
Computer
Engineering | 23 | Spring 2020 | Dr. Toliyat's leave will take place in College Station, Texas, and Europe. During this leave Dr. Toliyat will work on the second edition of his textbook on digital signal processor-based electromechanical motion control which will help a large number of students taking his course every year. The Electrical and Computer Engineering Department will be benefited by increasing the retention rate of undergraduate students. The leave will benefit the college by attracting more research funding and more domestic students. |
| Steven M. Wright
Professor
Electrical and
Computer
Engineering | 30 | Fall 2019 | Dr. Wright's leave will take place in three locations: ScanMed, Inc., an Aggie-owned company in Nebraska that develops sensors for magnetic resonance imaging (two weeks per month), Houston Methodist Research Institute (one to two days per month), and University of Texas Southwestern Medical Center (one to two days per month). At ScanMed Dr. Wright will develop new coil arrays for multinuclear magnetic resonance imaging (MRI) and magnetic resonance spectroscopy. At the medical centers he will learn the technical requirements for emerging MRI techniques and develop collaborative research proposals. ScanMed owns two clinical MRI scanners and can provide Dr. Wright and his students with unparalleled access to modern MRI technology. |
| Vladislav V. Yakovlev
Professor
Biomedical
Engineering | 7 | Fall 2019 | Dr. Yakovlev's leave will take place between the Air Force Research Laboratory at Fort Sam Houston, Texas, and the Aston Institute of Photonics Technologies, Birmingham, United Kingdom. He will conduct joint research with their groups in a general area of optics, spectroscopy, microscopy and biophysics. This international and multidisciplinary collaboration will allow him to broaden the application area of advanced spectroscopy methods he has been developing and form new research collaborations, which will further strengthen his research capability, elevate the impact |

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| | | | of his research, generate new course content and, ultimately, lead to establishing a Department of Defense Center of Excellence in Research and Education at Texas A&M. At Aston University, he will acquire a first-hand knowledge and experience of the strong academic-industry coalition model and utilize those to establish successful translational activities and public outreach at Texas A&M. |
| Choongho Yu
Associate
Professor
Mechanical
Engineering | 11 | Spring 2020 | Dr. Yu's leave will take place in Korea at the Korea Institute of Machinery & Materials and at the Korea Railroad Research Institute. He will conduct collaborative research to expand his research outcomes related to novel nanomaterials to various applications including multi-functional structural batteries for transportation systems as well as catalytic conversion electrodes for carbon dioxide reduction and waste heat recovery. These institutions will provide resources and expertise for testing the novel nanomaterials for the applications, and the outcomes will be essential to attracting research grants and educating students in research and class as well as generating subsequent new research topics and applications. |
| Wei Zhan
Associate
Professor
Engineering
Technology and
Industrial
Distribution | 12 | Fall 2019 | Dr. Zhan's leave will take place at the University of Alberta, Canada, and the Naval Postgraduate School (NPS), California. Dr. Zhan will visit the University of Alberta to conduct research in fault detection and isolation and application of nonlinear control in chemical process control. He will work in the Department of Chemical and Materials Engineering at the University of Alberta. He will visit the Department of Applied Mathematics at NPS to conduct research in the general area of control system theory and applications. Dr. Zhan will also teach one graduate course at NPS. These activities will enhance his research capability and benefit his teaching at Texas A&M. |
| COLLEGE OF GEOSCIENCES | | | |
| Peter S. K. Knappett
Assistant Professor
Geology and
Geophysics | 5 | Fall 2019 | Dr. Knappett's leave will take place at the Swiss Federal Institute of Aquatic Science and Technology (Eawag) in Dübendorf, Switzerland. During his time there, he will work with an experienced group of geochemist and geospatial modelers to develop a quantitative model of arsenic and fluoride concentrations in response to intensive pumping in Guanajuato, Mexico. Building on this experience, with colleagues at Eawag and Mexico, Dr. Knappett will leverage the growing cross-country groundwater quality database and estimated pumping rates and geology to develop a country-wide arsenic risk map for Mexico. |

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| Charles W. Lafon
Associate
Professor
Geography | 18 | Fall 2019 | Dr. Lafon's leave will take place in College Station, Texas. The leave will advance Dr. Lafon's research on the geography, history, and ecology of wildfire. The leave will enable an expansion in scope and geographic extent of the research. Dr. Lafon will also travel to western U.S. landscapes to develop case studies that enhance his teaching of a hybrid (online/traditional) course in introductory physical geography. |
| Anne Raymond
Professor
Geology and
Geophysics | 35 | Spring 2020 | Dr. Raymond's leave will take place at Harvard University, Massachusetts, University of Iowa, Iowa, University of Kansas, Kansas, and the Sam Noble Museum – University of Oklahoma, Oklahoma. She will study coal-forming plants from the mid-Pennsylvanian Era (312-308 million years ago) and identify uranium-bearing plant fossils for radiometric age dating. Data generated by Dr. Raymond will form the basis of a collaborative research proposal to determine the age of coals from the U.S. contributing to the global geologic time scale. Skills and research methods developed during this leave will enhance collaborative research at Texas A&M. |
| Achim Stoessel
Associate
Professor
Oceanography | 24 | Fall 2019 | Dr. Stoessel's leave will take place at the Max-Planck-Institute for Meteorology (MPIM), Hamburg, Germany. During his leave, Dr. Stoessel will investigate the representation of the high-latitude southern ocean in a high-resolution earth system model newly developed at MPIM and compare it with a corresponding state-of-the-art model developed at the Los Alamos National Laboratory (LANL). The proposed leave will foster the ongoing long-term collaboration of Dr. Stoessel with colleagues at MPIM and LANL, inform students on the newest developments in this field, and enhance the visibility of the Department of Oceanography, the College of Geosciences, and Texas A&M. |
| COLLEGE OF LIBERAL ARTS | | | |
| Armando C. Alonzo
Associate
Professor
History | 22 | Fall 2019 | Dr. Alonzo's leave will take place at the University of Texas at Austin and in College Station, Texas. He will write two remaining chapters of the history of development in Texas and Northern Mexico to complete a manuscript. The publication of his book will enhance scholarly visibility of Texas A&M. He will also participate in Atlantic World and Latino/a History network clusters and teach large numbers of majors, congruent with the goals of the department and the college to enhance excellence in undergraduate education. |

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| Heidi A. Campbell
Professor
Communication | 14 | Fall 2019 –
Spring 2020 | Dr Campbell's leave will take place at Hebrew University in Israel and the Ruhr University-Bochum in Germany. She will conduct research for a book on how popular internet memes and digital images mixed with humorous sayings promote stereotypes about religious groups influencing perceptions of religious minorities in America. This extends her previous research on religious internet memes to consider the broader impact such online discussions have on public understandings of religion. This project will develop a framework to help students in her classes evaluate bias and assumptions presented online and help facilitate discussions about diversity at Texas A&M. |
| Deborah N. Carlson
Associate
Professor
Anthropology | 14 | Spring 2020 | Dr. Carlson's leave will take place in Bodrum, Turkey, at the mediterranean research center of the Texas A&M University-affiliated Institute of Nautical Archaeology (INA). Dr. Carlson will use her leave to finalize the cataloging, research, and analysis of archaeological artifacts recovered from a fifth-century B.C. Classical Greek shipwreck excavated by INA and Texas A&M. Once complete, the final excavation report will be submitted for publication in the <i>Ed Rachal Nautical Archaeology Series</i> of TAMU Press. Dr. Carlson's publication of this unique archaeological assemblage will benefit classical archaeologists, maritime historians, economic anthropologists, and her own graduate students in the nautical archaeology program. |
| Leighton B. Cooke
Professor
International
Studies | 32 | Spring 2020 | Dr. Cooke's leave will take place in College Station, Texas, where he will write some case studies of the most performed operas. He will incorporate them, along with revising previously published articles, into a book-length statistical analysis of storylines in opera's core repertory. His monograph will test major tenets of evolutionary psychology, thus assessing this interdisciplinary field, contributing to the research mission of his college and university and enriching his classes on international artistic culture. By the end of the leave period he will complete a manuscript for submission to publishers. |
| David A. Donkor
Associate
Professor
Performance
Studies | 10 | Spring 2020 | Dr. Donkor's leave will take place in College Station, Texas. During this time, he will undertake the following activities for a book manuscript: draft one chapter and the introduction and conclusion; revise the complete manuscript; and submit it for publication. The book will benefit his research as a landmark contribution to performance studies that speaks to scholars across several disciplines. It will benefit his teaching and his students with fresh examples of performance and an expanded understanding of the human experience. It will also benefit his department, college, and Texas A&M by creating thorough distinguished research-impactful knowledge that will serve learners for a lifetime. |

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| Susan B. Egenolf
Associate
Professor
English | 16 | Fall 2019 | Dr. Egenolf's leave will take place in College Station, Texas, with research trips to Staffordshire, England, and Birmingham, Alabama. During the leave, Dr. Egenolf will complete the final chapters of her book, " <i>Josiah Wedgwood and the Shaping of British Art and Empire</i> ," a study of the reciprocal relationship between the 18th-century potter, Josiah Wedgwood, and the methods, products, and contemporary literary productions, which together shaped British global trade networks and the politics of empire. She will also collect archival materials and images essential to the project's completion. This research will enrich Dr. Egenolf's teaching and her subsequent publications and presentations, and enhance the reputation of Texas A&M. |
| Mark Hoekstra
Professor
Economics | 7 | Spring 2020 | Dr. Hoekstra's leave will take place in Claremont, California. He will work with detailed data on the sex trafficking market collected from law enforcement and meticulous scraping of the internet and dark web. The project will document the determinants of voluntary and trafficked sex provisions and will estimate the effect of anti-human trafficking policies, thereby illuminating a black market for both law enforcement and the public. This leave will put Texas A&M at the forefront of the study of human trafficking and will connect current and future Texas A&M Ph.D. students to new data and data collection methods. |
| Quan Li
Professor
Political Science | 11 | Fall 2019 –
Spring 2020 | Dr. Li's leave will take place at Universidad Europea de Madrid, Spain. His main activities during the leave include collaborative research on international relations as a Fulbright Scholar, completing a textbook on International Political Economy, and completing a monograph or articles on international investment disputes. These activities will strengthen the reputation of Texas A&M, help students learn about international political economy, and improve scholarly understanding of the government-foreign investor relationship. |
| Srividya
Ramasubramanian
Professor
Communication | 13 | Fall 2019 –
Spring 2020 | Dr. Ramasubramanian's leave will take place at the University of Massachusetts Amherst and the University of California, Santa Barbara. She will collaborate with leading media scholars at the University of Massachusetts Amherst and the University of California, Santa Barbara, during this time. Dr. Ramasubramanian proposes to use this time to complete a book project, author three journal articles, write a new book proposal, and develop a faculty development program on public engagement. By applying the use of quantitative research methods to social justice scholarship in Communication, she will use the leave to propose potentially ground-breaking, timely, and powerful tools and approaches to address important social issues. |

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| James R. Rogers
Associate
Professor
Political Science | 23 | Spring 2020 | Dr. Rogers' leave will take place in College Station, Texas. He plans to write a book on a central, but neglected, topic in the U.S. government's separation-of-power system: the choice Congress has to implement policies through the executive branch bureaucracy or through the judicial branch. Institutional competition between the branches permits Congress to weaken the separation-of-power system. This work continues Dr. Rogers' career-long study of institutional development in the Constitution's separation-of-power system. He teaches both undergraduate and doctoral-level classes in this area; this work will contribute to those classes. The research will bring visibility to the department and university. |
| Phia S. Salter
Associate
Professor
Psychological and
Brain Sciences | 8 | Fall 2019 | Dr. Salter's leave will take place in College Station, Texas, with two exploratory trips to the National Museum of African American History & Culture, Washington D.C., and the DuSable Museum of African American History, Chicago, Illinois. She will use the time to write two grant applications for the National Science Foundation and the Ruth Landes Memorial Research Fund and a substantive review article summarizing the cultural psychology of museum spaces. Successful federal grant applications and top-tier publications benefit Texas A&M by elevating the visibility of the university, college and department. |
| Susan M. Stabile
Associate
Professor
English | 22 | Fall 2019 | Dr. Stabile's leave will take place in College Station, Texas; Los Angeles, California; and Washington, D.C. She will complete the remaining three essays of her book manuscript, <i>Salvage</i> , and do initial research for her next book, <i>Diptych</i> , at the Getty Research Institute and Smithsonian Museum. <i>Salvage</i> will be submitted for publication to the University of Iowa Press. Portions of <i>Diptych</i> will appear at conferences which will ultimately result in a book publication by a major university press. Both research projects will benefit Dr. Stabile's teaching, resulting in two interdisciplinary classes in Creative Writing and Health Humanities. |
| Katherine R. Unterman
Associate
Professor
History | 7 | Fall 2019 –
Spring 2020 | Dr. Unterman's leave will take place in College Station, Texas. She will be writing a book for Harvard University Press. This manuscript investigates law in the American overseas territories and is based on three years of research at archives in Washington, D.C. and on-site in Puerto Rico, Guam, American Samoa, and the Philippines. Benefits of the proposed leave include the publication of a single-authored monograph with a prominent press, the elevation of Texas A&M's profile within several growing subfields of U.S. history, and increased student engagement with cutting-edge research methods and topics at both the graduate and undergraduate levels. |

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| Joseph D. Ura
Associate
Professor
Political Science | 11 | Fall 2019 | Dr. Ura's leave will take place in College Station, Texas. During his leave, Dr. Ura will complete work on a series of scholarly articles about connections between Supreme Court decision-making and Americans' evaluations of the Court's performance. The articles will investigate how judicial behavior influences public approval of the Supreme Court, dynamics in perceptions that the Court's decisions are "too liberal" or "too conservative," the role citizens' partisan orientations play in their responses to Supreme Court decisions, and an evaluation of the ways that judicial decisions and Supreme Court nominations have evolved as issues in the Republican and Democratic parties. Texas A&M will benefit from this leave by enhancing Dr. Ura's reputation as a leading scholar of interactions between courts and public opinion. |
| Jyotsna Vaid
Professor
Psychological and
Brain Sciences | 32 | Spring 2020 | Dr. Vaid's leave will take place in Montreal, Quebec, Canada, and New York City, New York. She will consult with researchers in bilingualism and write a systematic review of how the degree of literacy and having a shared vs. distinct orthography affects bilinguals' cognitive and brain functioning. She will also prepare an article based on her work on Hindi/Urdu biscriptal bilinguals. Her formal affiliation with McGill University's Center for Research on Brain, Language and Music will enhance her professional visibility and open up post-doctoral opportunities for her graduate students. It will also enrich her undergraduate courses in the psychology of language and in cognitive neuroscience. |
| Teresa M. Vilarós
Professor
Hispanic Studies | 8 | Fall 2019 | Dr. Vilarós' leave will primarily take place in College Station, Texas, to finish her book " <i>Banality and Biopolitics: The Spanish Case (1950-2004)</i> ." She will make short trips to consult special collection documents at the Duke Library, the Pentagon Library, and Television Espanola in Madrid, Spain. The book will be a contribution to the field of Spanish cultural studies as it will propose a novel way to interpret Spanish history since 1950. It will highlight the intellectual life of the department, her students, and Texas A&M. |
| Michael R. Waters
Distinguished
Professor
Anthropology | 33 | Spring 2020 | Dr. Waters' leave will take place in College Station, Texas. The purpose of the leave is to prepare high-profile publications summarizing four years of interdisciplinary research on the world-class archaeological, paleontological, and paleoenvironmental records at Hall's Cave, Kerr County, Texas. These publications will spotlight the cutting-edge research conducted by the Center for the Study of the First Americans, Department of Anthropology, and College of Liberal Arts, and will be used to facilitate future grant funding and gifts to the Center's endowments. This research will be |

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| | | | discussed in classes to show the process and value of conducting interdisciplinary research. |
| COLLEGE OF SCIENCE | | | |
| James D. Batteas
Professor
Chemistry | 13 | Spring 2020 | Dr. Batteas' leave will take place at Texas A&M and the University of Sheffield, United Kingdom (UK). First, Dr. Batteas will establish a new collaborative research project with Dr. Graham Leggett at Sheffield, expanding on his current National Science Foundation-funded research in organic electronics. Second, while abroad, Dr. Batteas will seek to solidify research partnerships in Tribology with Sheffield and Imperial College London. Lastly, while on leave, Dr. Batteas will work to establish student exchange programs between Texas A&M and UK universities to broadly support future collaborative projects. |
| Anirban Bhattacharya
Associate
Professor
Statistics | 5 | Fall 2019 –
Spring 2020 | Dr. Bhattacharya's leave will take place at Stanford University, California; Duke University, North Carolina; and the University of Texas at Austin to visit various collaborators, while also spending time in College Station, Texas, submitting grant proposals, and writing a book. The leave will substantially aid Dr. Bhattacharya in expanding his research program which will generate fresh ideas for research proposals as well as Ph.D. topics for graduate students at Texas A&M. Dr. Bhattacharya also plans to complete writing a book currently in its beginning stages. |
| Raymond J. Carroll
Distinguished
Professor
Statistics | 31 | Fall 2019 | Dr. Carroll's leave will take place at Johns Hopkins University, Maryland, Biostatistics Department, and at the Division of Cancer Prevention, National Cancer Institute (NCI), Bethesda, Maryland. At Johns Hopkins, he will work with Professors Chatterjee and Crainiceanu on health-related issues in genetics and physical activity. At NCI, he will work with Dr. Kipnis on nutrition, physical activity and cancer. Benefits include writing a research proposal renewing his current grant which has a long history of supporting underrepresented minorities, obtaining new data and ideas for students and teaching, and securing additional funding for his department and college. |
| Alan Demlow
Professor
Mathematics | 5 | Fall 2019 | Dr. Demlow's leave will take place at Texas A&M, The Isaac Newton Institute for Mathematical Sciences at Cambridge University (UK), and The International Mathematics Research Center in Oberwolfach, Germany. He will participate in workshops on cutting-edge techniques in computational differential equations at both international venues. His time at Texas A&M will be spent carrying out research related to workshop topics. Expected benefits include enhancement of both Dr. Demlow's research program and Texas A&M's international leadership position in computational |

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| | | | differential equations. Students will benefit as he incorporates new techniques into courses and graduate student training. |
| Mikyoung Jun
Professor
Statistics | 5 | Spring 2020 | Dr. Jun's leave will take place at the School of Statistics, Renmin University of China. She will develop multivariate spatio-temporal point pattern models for massive global rainfall and lightning data and develop novel visualization techniques for spatial-temporal data. New statistical methodologies and scientific findings will be achieved and new teaching materials will be developed. The leave will promote university-wide interdisciplinary collaboration and develop new international collaboration. Research outcomes will be used for training graduate students and course materials. Her activities will greatly enhance opportunities for obtaining collaborative research funding. |
| Matthias Katzfuss
Associate
Professor
Statistics | 5 | Fall 2019 | Dr. Katzfuss' leave will take place at Cornell University in Ithaca, New York, and at NASA's Jet Propulsion Laboratory (JPL) in Pasadena, California. At Cornell University, new statistical methods for machine learning will be developed. At JPL, spatial statistical techniques will be used to improve retrievals of atmospheric variables based on satellite remote-sensing data. Expected benefits include increased research visibility, diversified and enhanced funding streams, strengthened ties to the involved institutions, and potential future employment opportunities for Texas A&M students at NASA laboratories. |
| Oleg V. Ozerov
Professor
Chemistry | 9 | Fall 2019 | Dr. Ozerov's leave will take place at the University of Houston (UH), Texas. Dr. Ozerov will collaborate with Dr. Olafs Daugulis at UH on new challenges in carbon-hydrogen functionalization reactions, especially those concerning the introduction of fluorinated substituents into organic compounds. Dr. Ozerov intends for this collaboration to advance his understanding of organic methodology research which will benefit Texas A&M by broadening his potential for external grant applications and expanding his teaching expertise. Dr. Ozerov also plans to use the leave to write review articles to raise the visibility of his Texas A&M research. |
| Eric C. Rowell
Professor
Mathematics | 12 | Spring 2020 | Dr. Rowell's leave will take place in Berkeley, California, at the Mathematical Sciences Research Institute. Dr. Rowell will be an organizer in residence for a semester-long program on "Quantum Symmetries" to be held January-May 2020. His research program, department, college, and university will gain international stature while his students and postdoctoral students included in the activities will benefit from exposure to the world's top researchers in the field. The leave time will allow Dr. Rowell to focus on several long-term projects in an unrivaled research environment. |

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| Hans A. Schuessler
Professor
Physics and
Astronomy | 49 | Spring 2020 | Dr. Schuessler's leave will take place at the Qatar Weill Cornell Medical College; Texas A&M University at Qatar; the Max Planck Institute of Quantum Optics, Germany; RIKEN, a large research institute in Japan; and the High Energy Accelerator Research Organization, Japan. Laser spectroscopies will be applied for human breath analysis in clinical research, for fundamental research of quantum electrodynamics, and the shape and structure of short-lived isotopes. The former benefits human health by reducing negative outcomes through early detection of human diseases. The latter contributes to quantify the basic nuclear and atomic forces. The participating Texas A&M students and postdoctoral students will learn from world-class scientists and participate in an exchange of expertise which will enhance the research and reputation of Texas A&M. |
| Zhizhang Xie
Associate
Professor
Mathematics | 6 | Fall 2019 | Dr. Xie's leave will take place in Denmark in the Math Department of the University of Copenhagen, one of the leading centers on noncommutative geometry and topology in the world. He plans to use this opportunity to advance the index theory of singular spaces, secondary invariants, and their applications. This visit will provide for direct contact with strong European students who may be interested in pursuing graduate studies at Texas A&M, increase international visibility of Texas A&M and build closer research ties with international institutions. |
| Guoliang Yu
Distinguished
Professor
Mathematics | 6 | Fall 2019 –
Spring 2020 | Dr. Yu's leave will take place at the University of Chicago (UChicago), Illinois. The proposed leave will allow him to collaborate with Dr. Weinberger at UChicago. The collaborations will focus on developing new analytic techniques to solve problems in geometry and topology. The collaborations will also provide an opportunity for Dr. Yu to finish a number of ongoing joint research projects with Dr. Weinberger, facilitate research visits between Ph.D. students and postdoctoral students from Texas A&M and UChicago, and increase the visibility of Texas A&M. |

| SCHOOL OF LAW | | | |
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| Cynthia Alkon
Professor
School of Law | 5 | Spring 2020 | Professor Cynthia Alkon's leave will take place in Dallas/Fort Worth, Texas. The proposed leave will allow Professor Alkon to collect and analyze original data on plea bargaining outcomes for indigent defendants in felony drug cases. The study, tentatively titled, "Does Your Lawyer Make a Difference?" will collect and compare outcomes in cases with public defenders (Dallas County) or private appointed counsel (Tarrant County). The project will culminate in a law review article, articles in professional publications, presentations at conferences, and will contribute to policy discussions and follow-up research and publications based on the findings. Professor Alkon will benefit as this will give her the time to collect and analyze data that is not easily accessible. Texas A&M will benefit as the expected impact and outcomes of this study are to provide new information that will directly aid in the discussions about whether larger counties, like Tarrant County, should adopt a public defender system. |
| Suraya (Susan) S. Fortney
Professor
School of Law | 3 | Spring 2020 | Professor Fortney's leave will take place in Fort Worth, Texas, with travel to the offices of lawyers to be interviewed for the proposed empirical study. Professor Fortney will study the effects of law firm organizational structures and compensation systems on lawyers' ethical conduct and malpractice exposure. The empirical project will be a mixed-method study combining interviews and a survey. This project will benefit the School of Law's research program, the university's reputation, students, graduates, law firms, legal malpractice insurers, the legal profession, and the communities that lawyers serve. Findings from the study will help lawyers design compensation systems to promote ethical conduct. |
| SCHOOL OF PUBLIC HEALTH | | | |
| Murray J. Côté
Associate
Professor
Health Policy and
Management | 8 | Spring 2020 | Dr. Côté's leave will take place starting January 2020. The leave will take place in Texas with Dr. Côté collaborating with colleagues at the University of Houston and with health systems in rural Texas. He will research the application of operations research methods on health services delivery where he will investigate opportunities to promote and strengthen scientific, academic and industry collaboration. It will enhance Dr. Côté's research agenda by exploring new ideas and potential projects. Texas A&M will benefit through an improved quality of research and teaching program and new graduate students for the School of Public Health. |

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| Y. Alicia Hong
Associate
Professor
Health Promotion
and Community
Health Sciences | 11 | Fall 2019 | Dr. Hong's leave will take place at the University of Texas School of Biomedical Informatics (SBMI) in Houston, Texas. Through this visit Dr. Hong will explore opportunities to promote and strengthen scientific and academic cooperation between the two institutions. She and fellow researchers at SBMI will develop grant applications on interdisciplinary research on data-informed personalized behavioral intervention. The leave will enhance interdisciplinary research and establish institutional ties between the Texas A&M and SBMI. The college will benefit by having an expert on health informatics, strengthened collaboration in the Texas Medical Center, and an improved research and teaching program. |
| TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY AT GALVESTON | | | |
| Wesley E. Highfield
Associate
Professor
Marine Science | 7 | Spring 2020 | Dr. Highfield's leave will take place in Washington, D.C., to advance on-going work in the area of flood risk prediction and mitigation. His activities include collaboration with the Insurance and Analytics Branch within the Federal Emergency Management Agency, pursuing new methodological skills focused on machine learning and developing research proposals that integrate these two areas. These activities will benefit his research by bringing novel approaches and new, applied knowledge into the flood risk arena; his teaching through methodological skills that can be integrated into his teaching and graduate mentoring; and the university through new research proposals, enhanced student training, and increased overall visibility. |
| Hui Liu
Associate
Professor
Marine Biology | 6 | Spring 2020 | Dr. Liu's leave will take place in Japan at Kagoshima University and at the Hong Kong University of Science and Technology in Hong Kong. He currently serves as a U.S. representative on the North Pacific Marine Science Organization, an intergovernmental scientific organization, on zooplankton production. Research during the leave will focus on the effect of climate-related coastal hypoxia and ocean acidification on the planktonic food web production and its implication to fisheries. This leave will benefit his research program in establishing global perspectives and international leadership as well as teaching and mentoring students at Texas A&M University at Galveston. |

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| Heather K. Moberly
Professor
University Libraries | 5 | Spring 2020 | Ms. Moberly's leave will take place in College Station, Texas, to write a scholarly monograph. Ms. Moberly specializes in teaching veterinarians and their students about a specific research methodology called evidence-based veterinary medicine. This method has five steps, the second of which is searching for appropriate information. Ms. Moberly's proposed book will be an in-depth practical volume about identifying, selecting, and acquiring the best evidence. A review of the current literature shows this book will fill a gap. The project will help improve instruction for students and veterinarians both locally and globally. |
| Catherine Pepper
Associate Professor
University Libraries | 2 | Fall 2019 | Ms. Pepper's leave will take place in Portland, Oregon, at Oregon Health Sciences University; in Chicago, Illinois, at the Medical Library Association; and in Austin, Texas. She will conduct qualitative research to determine best practices in teaching evidence-based medicine (EBM). Aims include aligning competencies of medical education accreditation agencies with student learning outcomes and constructing a standardized model for teaching EBM. Ms. Pepper will work on two journal articles, a book, and a book chapter. She will submit abstracts for presentation at national and international conferences. These outputs will make significant contributions to improvement in EBM teaching practice at medical schools and medical libraries. |

Agenda Item No.

AGENDA ITEM BRIEFING

Submitted by: Michael K. Young, President
Texas A&M University

Subject: Approval for Dr. Scott V. Dindot, a System Employee, to Serve as an Officer, Member of the Board of Directors and Employee of GeneTx Biotherapeutics, LLC, an Entity that has Licensed Technology from The Texas A&M University System

Proposed Board Action:

Approval for Dr. Scott V. Dindot, Associate Professor of Veterinary Pathobiology, College of Veterinary Medicine & Biomedical Sciences at Texas A&M University (Texas A&M), to serve in his individual capacity as an officer, member of the board of directors and employee of GeneTx Biotherapeutics, LLC (GeneTx), a business entity that has entered into a license agreement with The Texas A&M University System (A&M System) for a technology developed by Dr. Dindot.

Background Information:

Dr. Dindot received his Ph.D. in Genetics from Texas A&M in 2003, where his studies focused on mapping epigenetic modifications, identifying imprinted genes, and understanding the effects of somatic cell nuclear transfer on genomic imprinting in large animal models. After his postdoctoral fellowship in the Department of Molecular and Human Genetics at Baylor College of Medicine, Dr. Dindot joined Texas A&M as an Assistant Professor in the Department of Veterinary Pathobiology. He has over 15 years of experience specifically working with the UBE3A gene, which causes Angelman syndrome. In the course and scope of his employment with Texas A&M, and with funding administered through Texas A&M AgriLife Research (AgriLife Research), Dr. Dindot has developed new intellectual property related to the design and use of antisense oligonucleotides to treat Angelman syndrome (A&M System technology numbers 4795 and 4921). These inventions are the subject of two A&M System patent applications.

GeneTx is a new venture formed by The Foundation for Angelman Syndrome Therapeutics (FAST) for the purpose of commercializing the aforementioned patent applications and issued patents that claim priority to the patent applications. The research leading to this new intellectual property was funded by FAST. GeneTx and the A&M System have entered into an exclusive license to develop commercial products. GeneTx has also entered into a sponsored research agreement with AgriLife Research for Dr. Dindot to conduct additional studies with this technology, including conducting preclinical trials. As an expert in the field, Dr. Dindot has been requested by GeneTx to serve as the company's Chief Scientific Officer. Dr. Dindot will also be an equity holder in GeneTx and could be asked to serve in different roles in the company in the future. Given that Dr. Dindot is also receiving additional sponsored research support from GeneTx, Dr. Dindot will have his potential conflict of interest considerations reviewed by the administration.

Pursuant to [Texas Education Code §51.912](#) and Section 4.6 of System Policy [17.01, Intellectual Property Management and Commercialization](#), Board of Regents approval is required for Dr. Dindot to serve in his individual capacity as an officer, member of the board of directors and employee of GeneTx. Any potential conflicts of interest will be evaluated under System Regulation [15.01.03, Financial Conflicts of Interest in Sponsored Research](#). A conflict of interest resolution plan with Texas A&M, and acknowledged by AgriLife Research, has been put in place.

A&M System Funding or Other Financial Implications:

None.

Agenda Item No.

TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY

Office of the President

November 15, 2018

Members, Board of Regents
The Texas A&M University System

Subject: Approval for Dr. Scott V. Dindot, a System Employee, to Serve as an Officer, Member of the Board of Directors and Employee of GeneTx Biotherapeutics, LLC, an Entity that has Licensed Technology from The Texas A&M University System

I recommend adoption of the following minute order:

“The Board of Regents of The Texas A&M University System approves for Dr. Scott V. Dindot, an employee of Texas A&M University, to serve, in his individual capacity, as an officer, member of the board of directors and employee of GeneTx Biotherapeutics, LLC, an entity that has an agreement with The Texas A&M University System relating to the research, development, licensing or exploitation of intellectual property conceived, created, discovered, invented or developed by Dr. Dindot.”

Respectfully submitted,

Michael K. Young
President

Approval Recommended:

Approved for Legal Sufficiency:

John Sharp
Chancellor

Ray Bonilla
General Counsel

Billy Hamilton
Deputy Chancellor and
Chief Financial Officer

AGENDA ITEM BRIEFING

Submitted by: Michael K. Young, President
Texas A&M University

Subject: Establishment of the Sales Leadership Institute

Proposed Board Action:

Establish the Sales Leadership Institute (SLI) within the Mays Business School (Mays) at Texas A&M University (Texas A&M).

Background Information:

The SLI will formalize and elevate the activities of the Professional Selling Initiative (PSI) at Mays which was officially launched in October 2015 with the goal of attracting and preparing more students for careers in professional selling and sales management. Mays' academic leaders believe in elevating the perception of the role of the sales person as a problem-solver which is a critical role in any company. To date, the sales curriculum has been dramatically enhanced to include four sales-specific courses – Professional Selling, Advanced Selling, Sales Leadership and Managing Business to Business Relationships. Marketing majors in the Sales and Sales Management-directed elective track take these courses. In addition, the courses are open as electives for other Mays students.

Through collaborations with other Texas A&M entities – such as the College of Engineering, the College of Agriculture and Life Sciences, and the Athletics Department – the PSI creates an umbrella around sales leadership and encourages collaboration in education, research, and placement across the Texas A&M community. Per System Policy *11.02, Creation of Centers and Institutes*, the multidisciplinary campus-wide nature of our vision suggests that the formation of an institute would provide the greatest platform for growth. In addition, formal recognition as an institute at Texas A&M will expand its visibility with academic centers at other universities as well as firms interested in collaborating for recruiting and research.

A&M System Funding or Other Financial Implications:

Funds for the PSI are currently provided by partner recruiting firms and individual donors. Eleven partner firms currently provide a total of \$135,000 annually. In addition, the PSI has \$600,000 in endowed funds and has received another \$500,000 over the last three years in gifts and corporate contributions to support PSI activities. The PSI currently conducts several annual events that generate revenue for operations, including the Texas A&M Collegiate Sales Competition and the Sales Career Fair. Additionally, the PSI has received a commitment for a \$4,000,000 naming gift from a corporate partner which will be endowed funds. This level of funding will allow the SLI to be self-sufficient.

Agenda Item No.

TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY

Office of the President

October 15, 2018

Members, Board of Regents
The Texas A&M University System

Subject: Establishment of the Sales Leadership Institute

I recommend adoption of the following minute order:

“The Sales Leadership Institute is hereby established as an organizational unit of Texas A&M University within the Mays Business School.”

Respectfully submitted,

Michael K. Young
President

Approval Recommended:

Approved for Legal Sufficiency:

John Sharp
Chancellor

Ray Bonilla
General Counsel

Billy Hamilton
Deputy Chancellor and
Chief Financial Officer

James R. Hallmark, Ph.D.
Vice Chancellor for Academic Affairs

**Texas A&M University
Executive Summary**

SALES LEADERSHIP INSTITUTE

1. Rationale for the Creation of the Institute

Many careers in business start with entry level positions in sales and customer service. Meanwhile, the growth of sales as a profession in the state of Texas is unparalleled.¹ Currently, a leading job-posting website lists over 86,000 open sales jobs in Texas alone.² In 2018, the Sales Education Foundation found that graduates of sales programs advance 50% faster and experience 30% less turnover than counterparts who did not have formalized sales training. Further, sales-educated employees save their companies an average \$180,000 in training costs.

With these realities in mind, the Marketing Department of Mays Business School (Mays) at Texas A&M University (Texas A&M) formed the Professional Selling Initiative (PSI) in 2015 to address the high demand for well-trained and well-educated sales talent. Additionally, the PSI strives to educate students so they can *intentionally* choose careers in professional sales.

Through collaborations with other Texas A&M entities – such as the College of Engineering, the College of Agriculture and Life Sciences, and the Athletics Department – the formation of the Sales Leadership Institute (SLI) will create an umbrella around sales leadership and serve to encourage collaboration in education, research, and placement across the Texas A&M community. Per System Policy 11.02, *Creation of Centers and Institutes*, regarding the definition of centers and institutes, the multidisciplinary campus-wide nature of our vision suggests that the formation of an institute would provide the greatest platform for growth. In addition, formal recognition as an institute at Texas A&M will expand our visibility with academic centers at other universities as well as firms interested in collaborating for recruiting and research. The current PSI activities described below will become activities of SLI.

The SLI will enhance this collaborative effort which is essential to reaching the large and diverse pool of Texas A&M students who will benefit from formal sales training. By providing sales training programs and high-impact learning opportunities from different colleges, Texas A&M will be well positioned to address the needs of a wide swath of industries. The SLI is one important link in this wider chain of offerings.

2. Mission, Vision, Scope and Goals

Mission:

The mission of the SLI will be to partner with industry to take a leadership role in the development of ethical, well-trained sales talent, to elevate the perception of sales as a career path, and to address sales and marketing challenges with research and solutions.

Partner with Industry: Currently, the PSI has eleven corporate partners. These partners are Altria, AT&T, Enterprise, Goosehead Insurance, Keyence, PepsiCo, Phillips 66, Reynolds & Reynolds, Schneider Electric, Sewell Automotive, and Southwestern Advantage. Plans are to add approximately five additional corporate partners in the near future. These partnerships provide companies with opportunities to network with Texas A&M students

¹ September 23, 2018; <https://www.bls.gov/eag/eag.tx.htm>

² September 23, 2018; Indeed.com

by participating in the Texas A&M Collegiate Sales Competition and Speed Networking events. Corporate Partners provide high-impact learning opportunities for Texas A&M students by participating in classroom role-play activities and inviting students to participate in externships. Further, corporate partners hold a position on the program's advisory board.

Develop ethical well-trained sales talent and elevate the perception of sales as a career path: Through a well-developed sales curriculum as well as the Professional Distinction in Sales (PDiS) program and the Sales Club, the PSI provides many opportunities for students to acquire and hone, through targeted learning and repeated practice, skills which will set them apart as well-trained candidates for any position in sales. All PSI activities emphasize the Aggie core value of integrity. Ethical practices are a paramount feature of PSI sales training ensuring that students and former students carry with them the understanding that integrity is vital to any pursuit. Students entering college often have a narrow and misguided sense of what the sales profession involves and what opportunities it can lead to. Having industry partners join faculty in the classroom allows us to demonstrate to students the professional side of sales, focusing on being ethical problem solvers who have a wide variety of career options and career paths. The PSI joins other organizations such as the Sales Education Foundation and the National Sales Center Alliance in this effort.

Address sales and marketing challenges with research and solutions: As the sales industry continues to grow dramatically, firms are charged with developing scientific, repeatable, and profitable best practices to acquire, train and retain sales excellence. In-depth interviews by the PSI research team of over 50 companies suggest that firms in the U.S. have an urgent need for research-oriented approaches to help audit current programs, redesign solutions, and test and implement new solutions to ensure profitability. Moreover, these in-depth interviews revealed a specific need for research-based assistance in the areas of improving salesforce effectiveness through analytics and developing a customer-based sales strategy.

Vision:

In addition to its current outreach efforts, which include the Texas A&M Career Center, the College of Engineering, Department of Athletics, and the Mays Business School Center for Executive Development, the PSI would like to expand its reach to serve any Texas A&M student interested in enhancing persuasive communication skills and preparing for a career in sales. In the short-term, the PSI would like to reach out to the Corps of Cadets as well as campus groups who serve underrepresented students.

Scope and Activities:

The PSI currently reaches students through the following activities:

Sales Curriculum – Currently the sales curriculum in the Marketing Department includes four undergraduate level classes. These are Professional Selling, Sales Leadership, Advanced Selling, and Managing Business-to-Business Relationships. Leveraging the latest technology within the professional selling course, students are able to participate in high impact role-play exercises and receive real-time annotated feedback to foster improvement and growth. Students are also able to share their role-play directly with the program's partner companies to showcase their abilities.

Within the Business-to-Business Relationships course, students engage in a hands-on project using the Sales Force customer relationship management software where they are responsible for entering new customers into the software and managing the pipeline in real time.

Within the Sales Leadership course, students participate in a sales management simulation where they are responsible for all aspects of managing a territory, including, hiring, firing, training and development, quota management, territory management, and compensation. Students in the course compete against each other to see who generates the most profitability.

PDiS – PDiS is a point-based incentive system to encourage students to participate in career-enhancing extra-curricular activities such as career fairs, competitions, and company site visits. Participating students must engage in activities in the areas of networking, training, and experience in order to earn the distinction.

Sales Club – The Sales Club is a student organization with the mission of providing students with sales training and experience. The Sales Club is open to all Texas A&M students, and many Sales Club events count toward earning PDiS.

Research:

Recently, PSI researchers, in collaboration with researchers from the University of Texas-San Antonio and Rice University, completed the Customer Loyalty Survey Report for PSI corporate partner Phillips 66. The report provides Phillips 66 with valuable quantitative information the company will use to determine the future structure of their loyalty program.

Additional current research partners include the Center for Sales and Marketing Strategy (CSMS) at the University of Washington Foster School of Business and the Institute for the Study of Business Markets (ISBM) at the Pennsylvania State University Smeal College of Business. The PSI works with CSMS to jointly engage members through academic and practitioner seminars. Moreover, the PSI and CSMS share an affiliated researcher network that works with companies in the areas of sales research to improve sales effectiveness. The PSI currently partners with ISBM to jointly engage members through academic and practitioner seminars and lend research support in conducting research competitions for doctoral students.

SLI will foster additional collaborative research at Texas A&M focused on professional sales. The ideal research project is one that starts with a compelling current corporate issue. SLI research faculty and graduate students will work with company leaders to gather critical data for SLI to analyze and formulate solutions. SLI will prepare a white paper on the issue and present findings and proposed solutions to the company. The data sets and case studies that follow these research projects will serve to enhance undergraduate as well as master's level student learning. Academic publications stemming from these research projects will enhance both doctoral student and faculty visibility.

Education and Outreach:

The PSI partners with non-profit organizations to serve the community and give students additional experience and opportunities to practice sales skills. In response to an industry need, the PSI is currently partnering with the local chapter of Habitat for Humanity to provide students an

opportunity to gain call center experience. Other non-profit outreach opportunities are being planned with the 12th Man Foundation.

The PSI has created a set of courses to be offered through the Mays Business School Center for Executive Development. Customized offerings will be developed in partnership with corporate customers to assist in meeting their education needs. The faculty have the expertise to cover a wide-range of topics from listening skills and self-awareness to segmentation and analysis. In addition, there are existing courses/modules that cover selling internally and managing customer relationships.

Products and Service:

Part of the PSI's outreach is to serve students across the Texas A&M campus community, outside their curriculum, with skill building opportunities vital to future success.

In collaboration with Roland Block of the Career Center, the PSI has been able to offer students in the College of Engineering opportunities to participate in the PDiS program. In August 2018, a Power of Professional Selling workshop was held for select students in the College of Engineering. The engineering students who attended the Power of Professional Selling workshop learned basic selling skills, including a sales process, sales presentation methods, and persuasive communication techniques. Participation in the workshop counts towards PDiS.

At this time, the PSI is also working with Dr. Leah Turner, Assistant Director of Career Development in the Department of Athletics, to craft a plan which will allow student athletes to participate in the PDiS program. In addition to the College of Engineering and the Department of Athletics, the PSI has planned outreach with the Corps of Cadets, the College of Liberal Arts, the Career Center, and under-represented student groups.

Another avenue of service for the PSI is providing tours of Mays to prospective students and their families. In summer 2018, the PSI took over responsibility for the tours. Student workers have been added to the team, and a reengineering of Mays Tours is currently underway. In the future, the plan is to have students involved with SLI practice sales skills by leading Mays Tours.

Short-term Goals:

Short-term goals in research:

- Execute a variety of custom research projects that leverage existing data and improve the state of practice. Subsequently, SLI will publish top-tier research articles featuring SLI partners, Mays faculty, and graduate students based on research engagements with SLI partners.
- Build upon current outreach initiatives with corporate partners to build research collaborations and teams for various research initiatives.
- Establish a SLI research advisory board made up of leaders in the field of sales and sales management research to catalyze new and continuing research.
- Host a research conference featuring members of the advisory board and scholars interested in sales research.
- Host guest speakers, seminar series, and pro-seminar workshops to socialize Mays faculty and doctoral students with world-leading scholars in sales management.

Short-term goals in education:

- Undergraduate – Expand course offerings to include a one-semester credit hour course on industry survey and a three-semester credit hour course on digital selling.
- Graduate – Add a course on customer-based approach, which could be offered in College Station for M.S. and M.B.A. students and at CityCentre for Professional M.B.A. and Executive M.B.A. students.
- Executive Education – Design and execute a set of in-house executive education courses to be offered to SLI partners and other practitioners and organizations.
- Executive Education – Develop a Mays and SLI-branded continuing education certification in sales and sales management.

Other programmatic short-term goals:

- Secure four to six additional corporate partners.
- Broaden campus outreach initiatives to include the Corps of Cadets, the College of Liberal Arts, and under-represented student groups.
- Reengineer Mays Tours to become an opportunity for students to gain experience selling.

Long-term Goals:

- Build a research community with strong outreach and service.
- Establish a reputation of excellence and professionalism for both SLI and students.

3. Sources and Future Expectations of Financial Support

Funds for SLI will be provided by partner recruiting firms and individual donors. Eleven partner firms currently provide a total of \$135,000 annually. The PSI is currently working to grow the partner and donor base.

In addition, the PSI has \$600,000 in endowed funds and has received another \$500,000 over the last three years in gifts and corporate contributions to support PSI activities.

SLI will continue to conduct several annual events that generate revenue for operations. These events include the Sales Competition and the Sales Career Fair. These revenue sources will continue at their current level or increase if SLI chooses to grow the events in order to meet demand.

Further, the PSI has received a commitment for a \$4,000,000 naming gift from a corporate partner. This naming gift will be endowed funds.

Other opportunities for income from sponsored programs and minor naming gifts are continually being explored.

4. Governance and Advisory Structure

The governance and advisory structure for SLI is established to fulfill its commitments to both student development and research at Texas A&M.

Leadership:

Leading SLI's efforts will be the Director, Dr. Janet Parish, who currently serves as director of the PSI. Dr. Parish will oversee all aspects related to SLI and will be the external face of the institute

with donors, policymakers, and other external stakeholders. As director, Dr. Parish will report to the Dean of Mays Business School.

The Assistant Director, Mr. Andrew Loring, will work with partner development and student activities such as the Sales Club and the Texas A&M Collegiate Sales Competition.

Executive Professor Mr. Brian Molhusen has more than 35 years of experience in sales and sales management and teaches Sales Leadership and Managing Business-to-Business Relationships.

Dr. Eli Jones, Dean of Mays Business School and Peggy Mays Eminent Scholar, has published 60 peer-reviewed journal articles in the top journals and a top-selling book in sales. Dean Jones is a member of the SLI faculty team and is currently co-teaching Professional Selling with Dr. Parish.

Research Director Dr. Hari Sridhar teaches analytics in multiple master's programs at Mays and is actively working with industry partners to solve real problems with corporate data. Dr. Sridhar also provides select graduate students with valuable learning experiences and publication opportunities.

A program manager and a program coordinator are also on staff to assist with SLI program operations.

Advisory Board:

To guide the institute forward, and to ensure it serves the interests of the university and corporate partners, SLI will have an external advisory board comprised of representatives from each corporate partner. Currently, the advisory board includes:

- Brett Brobston, Altria
- Stacey Marx, AT&T
- Stacy Hillin, Enterprise
- Jared Sinclair, Goosehead
- Troit Prather, Keyence
- Joe Williams, PepsiCo
- Sandra Eads, Phillips 66
- Kaitlyn Urbanczyk, Reynolds & Reynolds
- Ashlyn Voigt, Reynolds & Reynolds
- Glenn Gaines, Schneider Electric
- Virgie Sandford, Southwestern Advantage
- Joe Stallard, Sewell Automotive

The primary role of the advisory board is to counsel SLI leaders with regard to strategic and operational decisions with respect to the direction and structure of the institute. The advisory board meets two times a year.

Corporate Partnerships:

It is expected that SLI corporate partners will engage with students by speaking in classes and participating in role-play activities, representing their company at SLI events, and remaining active with SLI.

It is hoped that SLI corporate partners will extend offers of internships and full-time employment to qualified students with whom they have interacted through SLI and that doctoral students will benefit from access to data for dissertations.

5. Mechanisms for Periodic Review

In accordance with System Policy *11.02, Creation of Centers and Institutes*, at least once every five years SLI will undergo a review that will provide feedback to the dean of Mays Business School and the SLI director regarding the efficacy of the institute and evaluation of how SLI is carrying out its mission. A review committee will consist of a subset of the advisory board along with outsiders who will participate in the review process. The review committee will be able to provide recommendations to the dean and SLI director about the institute's performance. These results will be circulated to the donors. The review report will also be concurrently submitted to the vice president for research.

Agenda Item No.

AGENDA ITEM BRIEFING

Submitted by: Michael K. Young, President
Texas A&M University

Subject: Authorization to Award an Honorary Degree to His Excellency Dr. Mohammed bin Saleh Abdulla Al Sada

Proposed Board Action:

Authorize the president of Texas A&M University (Texas A&M) to award an Honorary Doctor of Letters degree to His Excellency (H.E.) Dr. Mohammed bin Saleh Abdulla Al Sada.

Background Information:

In accordance with Section 1.2 of System Policy [*11.07, Granting of Honorary Degrees*](#), Texas A&M submits this request to award an Honorary Doctor of Letters degree to H.E. Dr. Mohammed bin Saleh Abdulla Al Sada. This recognition is a tribute to his distinguished career as an exceptionally gifted scholar and leader. A summary of Dr. Al Sada's accomplishments is attached.

H.E. Dr. Al-Sada is an active member of the Qatari community, a member of the Qatar Foundation, and chairman of the Joint Advisory Board at Texas A&M Qatar. He is also known as a leading authority on energy markets and industries.

The nomination for this Honorary Doctor of Letters degree was received from Dr. César Malavé, dean of Texas A&M University at Qatar and is supported by Dr. Mark H. Weichold, former dean and CEO of Texas A&M University at Qatar; the regents professor of global engineering programs; and the professor of electrical and computer engineering with additional support from several Texas A&M colleges and departments. The nomination was endorsed by the Faculty Senate Committee on Honorary Degrees and Provost Fierke. The Faculty Senate, meeting as a whole in executive session, approved the nomination and recommended it to the president of Texas A&M.

With Board authorization, this honorary degree will be presented to H.E. Dr. Al Sada at a Texas A&M commencement ceremony in May 2019 when the College of Engineering graduates receive their degrees.

A&M System Funding or Other Financial Implications:

None.

Agenda Item No.

TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY

Office of the President

December 3, 2018

Members, Board of Regents
The Texas A&M University System

Subject: Authorization to Award an Honorary Degree to His Excellency Dr. Mohammed bin Saleh Abdulla Al Sada

I recommend approval of the following minute order:

“The president of Texas A&M University is authorized to award an Honorary Doctor of Letters degree to H.E. Dr. Mohammed bin Saleh Abdulla Al Sada.”

Respectfully submitted,

Michael K. Young
President

Approval Recommended:

John Sharp
Chancellor

Billy Hamilton
Deputy Chancellor and
Chief Financial Officer

James R. Hallmark, Ph.D.
Vice Chancellor for Academic Affairs

Approved for Legal Sufficiency:

Ray Bonilla
General Counsel

Honorary Degree Candidate Summary

His Excellency Dr. Mohammed bin Saleh Abdulla Al Sada
Candidate for Honorary Degree

Nominator: Dr. César Malavé, Dean,
Texas A&M University at Qatar

Degrees:

B.S. in Marine Science and Geology, Qatar University

M.S. in Corrosion Science and Engineering, University of Manchester Institute of Science and Technology (UK)

Ph.D. in Corrosion Science and Engineering, University of Manchester Institute of Science and Technology (UK)



Proposed Commencement for Recognition: May 2019

H.E. Dr. Al-Sada was appointed Minister of Energy and Industry and as Chairman and CEO of Qatar Petroleum (QP) in 2013 and served as the State of Qatar's OPEC oil minister until fall 2018. He served as OPEC's president in 2016. He is known internationally in the oil and gas industries and provides Texas A&M University at Qatar with solid advice and guidance.

An active member of the Qatari community, H.E. Dr. Al-Sada is a member of the Qatar Foundation Board of Directors, Chairman of the Joint Advisory Board (JAB) at Texas A&M University Qatar since 2008 and the Joint Oversight Board of the College of North Atlantic Qatar. In his role as the chair of Texas A&M's JAB, he is uniquely positioned to have a profound understanding of the importance of the branch campus as well as being its champion in many diverse venues. He has a deep and enduring commitment to Texas A&M at Qatar and commitment to its success.

H.E. Dr. Al-Sada is known as a leading authority on energy markets and industries. His experience and wisdom make him a valuable resource to the university. He has received many awards throughout his career. One of the most recent recognitions is the International Oil Diplomacy Man of the Year, awarded in London in 2018.

He is an exceptionally gifted scholar and leader. His accomplishments, accolades and appointments position him on the same pinnacle of prestige of previous Texas A&M University Honorary Degree recipients.

This nomination is endorsed by the faculty of Engineering, the chief operating officer of the Texas A&M University at Qatar campus, the vice chancellor and dean of engineering, the Committee on Honorary Degrees and Faculty Senate to date.

AGENDA ITEM BRIEFING

Submitted by: Michael K. Young, President
Texas A&M University

Subject: Authorization to Award an Honorary Degree to Mr. Harold L. Adams

Proposed Board Action:

Authorize the president of Texas A&M University (Texas A&M) to award an Honorary Doctor of Letters degree to Mr. Harold L. Adams.

Background Information:

In accordance with Section 1.2 of System Policy [*11.07, Granting of Honorary Degrees*](#), Texas A&M submits this request to award an Honorary Doctor of Letters degree to Mr. Harold L. Adams. This recognition is in tribute to his distinguished architectural career where he is considered to be a pioneer in the area of collaboration among the built environment professions and credited with many innovations that are now followed best practices in large international design firms. Mr. Adams has lectured in national and international universities where his lifetime of professionalism, integrity, business acumen, vision, and generous nature continue to shape the lives and directions of individuals and institutions. During his career, he was involved in numerous internationally recognized projects including serving as the project director for President Kennedy's gravesite shortly after graduation from Texas A&M. His work as an architect has spanned the entire world including projects for museums in China and master planning and designing city redevelopment in Japan, among many other highly regarded projects. A summary of Mr. Adams' accomplishments is attached.

The nomination for this Honorary Doctor of Letters degree was received from Dr. Valerian Miranda, College of Architecture. The nomination received unanimous support by the Faculty Senate Committee on Honorary Degrees. The faculty senate, meeting as a whole in executive session, approved the nomination and recommended it to the president of Texas A&M. It was also endorsed by Provost Fierke.

With Board authorization, this degree will be presented to Mr. Harold L. Adams at a future Texas A&M commencement ceremony or other befitting event for recognition in May, August or December 2019.

A&M System Funding or Other Financial Implications:

None.

Agenda Item No.

TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY

Office of the President

December 3, 2018

Members, Board of Regents
The Texas A&M University System

Subject: Authorization to Award an Honorary Degree to Mr. Harold L. Adams

I recommend approval of the following minute order:

“The president of Texas A&M University is authorized to award an Honorary Doctor of Letters degree to Mr. Harold L. Adams.”

Respectfully submitted,

Michael K. Young
President

Approval Recommended:

Approved for Legal Sufficiency:

John Sharp
Chancellor

Ray Bonilla
General Counsel

Billy Hamilton
Deputy Chancellor and
Chief Financial Officer

James R. Hallmark, Ph.D.
Vice Chancellor for Academic Affairs

Honorary Degree Candidate Summary

Harold L. Adams '61

Candidate for Honorary Doctorate

Nominator: Dr. Val Miranda, Professor, Architecture
Dr. Jorge Vanegas, Professor & Dean, Architecture

Degrees: BS Architecture, Texas A&M University

Proposed Commencement for Recognition: May, August, December 2019



Harold Adams '61 received a Bachelor of Architecture degree from Texas A&M University in 1962. After graduation, he worked in Washington, D.C. for John Carl Warnecke & Associates, where he worked with President and Mrs. John F. Kennedy on several important projects. He was later the project manager for the president's gravesite at Arlington National Cemetery.

He joined RTKL in 1967, became president in 1969, CEO in 1971 and chairman in 1987. Under Adams' leadership, RTKL has developed into an international practice with nine offices worldwide and a reputation for both design and management expertise.

In addition to his fellowship in the American Institute of Architects, Mr. Adams holds a 'first-class Kenchikushi' license, awarded by Japan's Ministry of Construction and is a registered architect in the United Kingdom. He is also a member of the Royal Institute of British Architects and is active as a trustee and board member for a number of Baltimore and Washington arts, education and civic organizations.

The winner of the Kemper Award for Service to the American Institute of Architects in 1997, Mr. Adams has devoted countless hours to the AIA as a keynote speaker, committee member and officer at both local and national levels including Chancellor of the AIA College of Fellows in 1998. Mr. Adams is currently a member of the A&M System Chancellor's Century Council. He has been recognized as a Texas A&M University Distinguished Alumni and has been inducted into The National Academy of Construction – both awarded in 2011. He is a Design Futures Council Senior Fellow. In 2014, he was presented the Leslie N. Boney Spirit of Fellowship Award, the AIA College of Fellow's highest honor. He was also named a Faculty Fellow in the Texas A&M Institute for Advanced Study. A strong supporter of the college, Mr. Adams has endowed four professorships, one scholarship and is a member of the College Development Advisory Council. He resides in Bryan, Texas, and Baltimore, MD.

The Nomination is endorsed by the faculty of Architecture, Dean of College of Architecture, Committee on Honorary Degrees, and Faculty Senate to date.

Agenda Item No.

AGENDA ITEM BRIEFING

Submitted by: Michael K. Young, President
Texas A&M University

Subject: Authorization to Award an Honorary Degree to Dr. Marcia K. McNutt

Proposed Board Action:

Authorize the president of Texas A&M University (Texas A&M) to award an Honorary Doctor of Letters degree to Dr. Marcia K. McNutt.

Background Information:

In accordance with Section 1.2 of System Policy [11.07, Granting of Honorary Degrees](#), Texas A&M submits this request to award an Honorary Doctor of Letters degree to Dr. Marcia K. McNutt. This recognition is a tribute to her distinguished career as an exceptionally gifted scholar and science leader. A summary of Dr. McNutt's accomplishments is attached.

The nomination for this Honorary Doctor of Letters degree was received from University Professor and Department Head Dr. Michael Pope and is supported by Interim Dean Dr. Debbie Thomas and the faculty in the College of Geosciences, Department of Geology & Geophysics. The nomination was endorsed by the Faculty Senate Committee on Honorary Degrees and Provost Fierke. The Faculty Senate, meeting as a whole in executive session, approved the nomination and recommended it to President Young.

With Board authorization, this honorary degree will be presented to Dr. McNutt at a Texas A&M commencement ceremony in May, August or December 2019.

A&M System Funding or Other Financial Implications:

None.

Agenda Item No.

TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY

Office of the President

December 3, 2018

Members, Board of Regents
The Texas A&M University System

Subject: Authorization to Award an Honorary Degree to Dr. Marcia K. McNutt

I recommend approval of the following minute order:

“The president of Texas A&M University is authorized to award an Honorary Doctor of Letters degree to Dr. Marcia K. McNutt.”

Respectfully submitted,

Michael K. Young
President

Approval Recommended:

John Sharp
Chancellor

Billy Hamilton
Deputy Chancellor and
Chief Financial Officer

James R. Hallmark, Ph.D.
Vice Chancellor for Academic Affairs

Approved for Legal Sufficiency:

Ray Bonilla
General Counsel

Honorary Degree Candidate Summary

Dr. Marcia McNutt

Candidate for Honorary Doctorate

Nominator: Dr. Michael Pope, Professor & Head, Geology & Geophysics
Dr. Debbie Thomas, Interim Dean, Geosciences

Degrees: BA in Physics, Colorado College
PhD in Earth Sciences, Scripps Institution of Oceanography

Proposed Commencement for Recognition: TBD



Dr. Marcia McNutt is a geophysicist and president of the National Academy of Sciences. From 2013 to 2016, she served as editor-in-chief of the *Science* family of journals. Prior to joining *Science*, she was director of the U.S. Geological Survey (USGS) from 2009 to 2013. During her tenure, the USGS responded to a number of major disasters, including earthquakes in Haiti, Chile, and Japan, and the Deepwater Horizon oil spill. McNutt led a team of government scientists and engineers at BP headquarters in Houston who helped contain the oil and cap the well. She directed the flow rate technical group that estimated the rate of oil discharge during the spill's active phase. For her contributions, she was awarded the U.S. Coast Guard's Meritorious Service Medal.

Before joining the USGS, Dr. McNutt served as president and chief executive officer of the Monterey Bay Aquarium Research Institute (MBARI) in Moss Landing, California. During her time at MBARI, the institution became a leader in developing biological and chemical sensors for remote ocean deployment, installed the first deep-sea cabled observatory in U.S. waters, and advanced the integration of artificial intelligence into autonomous underwater vehicles for complex undersea missions. Dr. McNutt began her academic career at the Massachusetts Institute of Technology (MIT) where she was the E.A. Griswold Professor of Geophysics and directed the Joint Program in Oceanography/Applied Ocean Science & Engineering, jointly offered by MIT and the Woods Hole Oceanographic Institution. Her research area is the dynamics of the upper mantle and lithosphere on geologic time scales, work that has taken her to distant continents and oceans for field observations. She is a veteran of more than a dozen deep-sea expeditions, on most of which she was chief or co-chief scientist.

Her honors include membership in the American Philosophical Society and the American Academy of Arts and Sciences. She holds honorary doctoral degrees from Colorado College, the University of Minnesota, Monmouth University, and the Colorado School of Mines. In 1988, she was awarded the American Geophysical Union's Macelwane Medal for research accomplishments by a young scientist, and she received the Maurice Ewing Medal in 2007 for her contributions to deep-sea exploration.

The Nomination is endorsed by the faculty of the Geology & Geophysics department, the Dean of College of GeoSciences, the Committee on Honorary Degrees, and the Faculty Senate to date.

Agenda Item No.

AGENDA ITEM BRIEFING

Submitted by: Marc A. Nigliazzo, Ph.D., President
Texas A&M University-Central Texas

Subject: Naming of the Scoreboard at Whitis Recreation Field

Proposed Board Action:

Name the scoreboard on Whitis Recreation Field, the “Dr. Tracy Teaff Scoreboard.”

Background Information:

In accordance with System Policy [*51.06, Naming of Buildings and Other Entities*](#), “It shall be the policy of the Board of Regents (board) of The Texas A&M University System (system) to honor or memorialize individuals who have made significant contributions to the system by naming buildings, definable portions of buildings, geographical areas or academic entities for such individuals.”

This recommendation is made per the attached memo from Dr. Marc A. Nigliazzo.

A&M System Funding or Other Financial Implications:

None.

Agenda Item No.

TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY-CENTRAL TEXAS

Office of the President

November 20, 2018

Members, Board of Regents
The Texas A&M University System

Subject: Naming of the Scoreboard on Whitis Recreation Field

I recommend adoption of the following minute order:

“The Board of Regents of The Texas A&M University System hereby names the scoreboard on Whitis Recreation Field, the ‘Dr. Tracy Teaff Scoreboard.’”

Respectfully submitted,

Marc A. Nigliazzo, Ph.D.
President

Approval Recommended:

Approved for Legal Sufficiency:

John Sharp
Chancellor

Ray Bonilla
General Counsel

Billy Hamilton
Deputy Chancellor and
Chief Financial Officer



Date: November 20, 2018

MEMORANDUM

TO: Ms. Vickie Burt Spillers
Executive Director, Board of Regents

SUBJECT: **Name the scoreboard on Whitis Field, 'Dr. Tracy Teaff Scoreboard'**

Dr. Tracy Teaff was a special education teacher and counselor for 25 years prior to her service at Texas A&M University – Central Texas (A&M-Central Texas). She continued her passion for supporting students through the provision of scholarship funds at A&M-Central Texas. Dr. Teaff also offered a helping hand to students who were struggling to make ends meet, benevolently, using her personal finances. The advancement and success of students has been her lifelong passion and it is obvious that her selfless service is a hallmark of the Teaff family.

Dr. Teaff served A&M-Central Texas for over 10 years as an associate professor, academic dean, interim provost, and finally as the President's Chief Liaison & External Affairs Officer. She successfully guided the university's initial SACSCOC accreditation as well as initiating many other important activities. Through her leadership and mentorship, Dr. Teaff made a lasting impact on the university as a whole.

Prior to retirement from A&M-Central Texas, Dr. Tracy Teaff was instrumental in initiating the university's first recreational sport through the Warrior Rugby Club which, ultimately, led to building the Whitis Recreation Field. The field will, in time, support both recreational sports and a variety of other recreational activities. Upon her announcement of retirement, members of the A&M-Central Texas campus community elected to acknowledge her commitment to the university and its students by raising \$5,000 to support the purchase of a scoreboard for the Whitis Recreation Field and to name that scoreboard in her honor.

Marc A. Nigliazzo

AGENDA ITEM BRIEFING

Submitted by: Kelly M. Quintanilla, President
Texas A&M University-Corpus Christi

Subject: Authorization to Award an Honorary Degree to Mrs. Jessie Frances Neal

Proposed Board Action:

Authorize the president of Texas A&M University-Corpus Christi (A&M-Corpus Christi) to award an Honorary Doctorate of Humane Letters degree to Mrs. Jessie Frances Neal.

Background Information:

In accordance with Section 1.2 of System Policy [11.07, Granting of Honorary Degrees](#), A&M-Corpus Christi submits this request to award an Honorary Doctorate of Humane Letters degree to Mrs. Jessie Frances Neal.

This recognition is in tribute to her dedication to furthering the accessibility of higher education for young leaders, as well as her commitment to education as evidenced through her own determination and success in becoming a businesswoman and reflects the values that we hold at A&M-Corpus Christi, the state of Texas, and the United States of America.

The nomination for this Honorary Doctorate of Humane Letters degree received the unanimous support of the Honorary Degree Recommendation Team, which is comprised of the provost and executive vice president of academic affairs, the dean of the College of Graduate Studies, the speaker of the faculty senate, and one tenured full professor from each of the colleges, appointed by the dean of the college.

With board authorization, this honorary degree will be presented to Mrs. Jessie Frances Neal at A&M-Corpus Christi's commencement ceremony in May 2019.

A&M System Funding or Other Financial Implications:

None.

Agenda Item No.

TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY-CORPUS CHRISTI

Office of the President

November 5, 2018

Members, Board of Regents
The Texas A&M University System

Subject: Authorization to Award an Honorary Degree to Mrs. Jessie Frances Neal

I recommend approval of the following minute order:

“The president of Texas A&M University-Corpus Christi is authorized to award an Honorary Doctorate of Humane Letters degree to Mrs. Jessie Frances Neal.”

Respectfully submitted,

Kelly M. Quintanilla, President

Approval Recommended:

John Sharp
Chancellor

Billy Hamilton
Deputy Chancellor and
Chief Financial Officer

James R. Hallmark, Ph.D.
Vice Chancellor for Academic Affairs

Approved for Legal Sufficiency:

Ray Bonilla
General Counsel

Texas A&M University-Corpus Christi
Honorary Degree Candidate Summary

Mrs. Jessie Frances Neal
Candidate for Honorary Doctorate of Humane Letters

Mrs. Jessie Frances Neal began her formal educational experiences at Texas Christian University and later continued at San Angelo Business College. Shortly after, in 1960, oil was found on her family ranch. Planning to rely on her formal education and her own self-reliant nature, Mrs. Neal decided to manage her family's resources herself. In an era when women were not heavily engaged in business, Mrs. Neal conducted successful business negotiations with large oil companies to lease her land while protecting her family's interest. In 1965, Mrs. Neal wrote her first oil lease and has continued to work in this capacity for the last 50 years, single-handedly managing the business. Because of her determination to learn the industry and succeed, she has become an expert in the administration of detailed land agreements, pipeline agreements, and protection of surface rights, as well as emerging technologies ranging from shale formations to horizontal drilling.

Mrs. Neal is passionate about her work, which she is still conducting today in her eighties. She is demonstrably committed to the furtherance of business education and believes that a strong business background will serve our youth and in turn serve our community at large. The value she places in business education and her passion for increasing access to that education led her to the creation of the Jessie Frances Neal Foundation in 2014. Since its inception, the Jessie Frances Neal Foundation has awarded multiple significant scholarships for incoming College of Business freshmen each year. Twelve recipients of her multi-year scholarship support have graduated with Bachelor degrees. She has also gifted 40 scholarships for graduate MBA students in the 2017-2018 academic year and has committed scholarship support for another 30 undergraduate students for the 2018-2019 academic year. Her service to the community through engagement in philanthropy helps close educational gaps and rewards excellence for students at A&M-Corpus Christi.

In addition to annual scholarship support, Mrs. Neal has funded a \$1 million endowment to create the Jessie Frances Neal and Clifton W. Coonrod Endowed Chair in Accounting and Business. This endowment will allow for the College of Business to attract and retain the highest quality faculty in the discipline of accounting and ultimately elevate the teaching ability and engagement of the College of Business. In this way, Mrs. Neal's commitment to elevating her vision of building the business leaders of tomorrow at A&M-Corpus Christi will benefit all Islanders who study in the College of Business.

Our university is committed to excellence in teaching, research, creative activity and service. Mrs. Jessie Frances Neal's career exemplifies those priorities, and her philanthropic endeavors make those values accessible to more students. Her determination and success in becoming a businesswoman reflect the principles that we hold at A&M-Corpus Christi of cultivating lifelong learning and responsible citizenship. As such, it is with honor that I humbly submit her name and legacy for consideration for the award of an honorary Doctorate from Texas A&M University-Corpus Christi.

Agenda Item No.

TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY-KINGSVILLE

Office of the President

November 26, 2018

Members, Board of Regents
The Texas A&M University System

Subject: Approval of Academic Tenure, January 2019, Texas A&M University-Kingsville

I recommend adoption of the following minute order.

“The Board of Regents of The Texas A&M University System, in accordance with System Policy 12.01, *Academic Freedom, Responsibility and Tenure*, hereby authorizes the granting of tenure to the following faculty member at Texas A&M University-Kingsville as set forth in the exhibit, Tenure List No. 19-02.”

Respectfully submitted,

James R. Hallmark, Ph.D.
Vice Chancellor for Academic Affairs

Approval Recommended:

John Sharp
Chancellor

Billy Hamilton
Deputy Chancellor and
Chief Financial Officer

Approved for Legal Sufficiency:

Ray Bonilla
General Counsel

**TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY-KINGSVILLE
RECOMMENDATION FOR TENURE
TENURE LIST NO. 19-02**

| <u>Name</u> | <u>Present Rank</u>
<u>Department</u> | <u>Yrs. Towards Tenure*</u> | | <u>Effective</u>
<u>Date/Tenure</u> | <u>Education</u> | <u>Employment</u>
<u>Towards Tenure</u> |
|---|--|-----------------------------|--------------------|--|---|--|
| | | <u>Univ.</u> | <u>Other Inst.</u> | | | |
| DICK AND MARY LEWIS KLEBERG COLLEGE OF AGRICULTURE, NATURAL RESOURCES AND HUMAN SCIENCES | | | | | | |
| Dr. Mark A. Hussey | Professor
Department of
Agriculture,
Agribusiness and
Environmental Sciences | 0 | >15 | Upon Approval
by the Board | Ph.D. (1983)
Texas A&M
University | Fa 1983 – Sp 1991
Assistant Professor
Texas A&M University

Fa 1991 – Sp 1997
Associate Professor (Tenured 1991)
Texas A&M University

Fa 1997 – Sp 2005
Professor
Texas A&M University

Fa 2017 – Fa 2018
Professor
Texas A&M University

Sp 2019
Professor
Texas A&M University-Kingsville |

* Each university determines, through a review process, the number of years each faculty member will be awarded tenure based on his/her dossier.

Agenda Item No.

AGENDA ITEM BRIEFING

Submitted by: Mark A. Hussey, President
Texas A&M University-Kingsville

Subject: Granting of Faculty Development Leave for FY 2020,
Texas A&M University-Kingsville

Proposed Board Action:

Authorize faculty development leave for FY 2020 at Texas A&M University-Kingsville (Texas A&M-Kingsville).

Background Information:

System Policy [31.03, *Leaves of Absence*](#), and System Regulation [12.99.01, *Faculty Development Leave*](#), require that a recommendation for faculty development leave be submitted by the university president to the chancellor for recommendation to the Board of Regents for approval. At Texas A&M-Kingsville, the application is submitted with support of the academic department, college dean, university development leave committee (elected by the general faculty), provost and executive vice president for academic affairs, and president.

As shown in the exhibit, Texas A&M-Kingsville requests approval for faculty development leave for one faculty member for FY 2020.

Texas A&M-Kingsville is in compliance with the statutory requirement that no more than six percent of eligible faculty be on development leave at any time.

A&M System Funding or Other Financial Implications:

No additional funding is required. Department faculty members are assuming the recommended faculty member's teaching load by adjusting course offerings the next academic year.

Agenda Item No.

TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY-KINGSVILLE

Office of the President

January 2, 2019

Members, Board of Regents
The Texas A&M University System

Subject: Granting of Faculty Development Leave for FY 2020,
Texas A&M University-Kingsville

I recommend adoption of the following minute order:

“The Board of Regents of The Texas A&M University System, in accordance with System Policy 31.03, System Regulation 12.99.01 and Sections 51.101-108 of the Texas Education Code, authorizes faculty development leave to the faculty member as shown in the attached exhibit, Faculty Development Leave List FY 2020, Texas A&M University-Kingsville.”

Respectfully submitted,

Mark A. Hussey
President

Approval Recommended:

Approved for Legal Sufficiency:

John Sharp
Chancellor

Ray Bonilla
General Counsel

Billy Hamilton
Deputy Chancellor and
Chief Financial Officer

James R. Hallmark, Ph.D.
Vice Chancellor for Academic Affairs

**FACULTY DEVELOPMENT LEAVE LIST
FY 2020
TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY-KINGSVILLE**

| Name/
Title/
Department | Years of
Texas
A&M-
Kingsville
Tenured,
Tenure-
Track
Service | Semester of
Leave | Location and Brief Description of Leave |
|--|--|------------------------------|---|
| COLLEGE OF ARTS AND SCIENCES | | | |
| Anders Greenspan
Associate Professor
History, Political
Science and
Philosophy | 10 | Spring 2020 | Leave will be spent primarily in Corpus Christi, Texas with occasional trips to the University of Texas at Austin as well as Princeton University in New Jersey to pursue greater in-depth research on Dr. Greenspan's project on Ernest Hemingway's younger years. This project aims to be published either in monograph form or as a series of peer-reviewed publications. While most works on Hemingway have been written by experts in English literature, relatively few have been written by those with doctoral training in history. The benefit to the university, The Texas A&M University System and the state of Texas will be an enhanced understanding of the youth of one of the United States' most famous writers in the twentieth century. |

AGENDA ITEM BRIEFING

Submitted by: Mark A. Hussey, President
Texas A&M University-Kingsville

Subject: Approval of a New Master of Science in Environmental Systems Management Degree Program, and Authorization to Request Approval from the Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board

Proposed Board Action:

Approve the establishment of a new degree program at Texas A&M University-Kingsville (Texas A&M-Kingsville) leading to a Master of Science (M.S.) in Environmental Systems Management and authorize the submission of this degree program to the Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board (THECB) for approval and certify that all applicable THECB criteria have been met.

Background Information:

The Dick and Mary Lewis Kleberg College of Agriculture & Natural Resources, and the College of Business Administration at Texas A&M-Kingsville propose the development of an M.S. degree program in Environmental Systems Management. The new program will reside in the Department of Agriculture, Agribusiness and Environmental Sciences (AGSC) and will be the third master's level degree in the department. The department of AGSC has introduced an environmental science concentration within its Bachelor of Science degree in Agriculture. Environmental science courses at the undergraduate and graduate levels within the department of AGSC have been offered as elective courses since 2012 and enrollment in these courses has grown over the years. The enrollment data, coupled with increasing national demand for trained environmental scientists who can evaluate the economic aspects of the environment as an integrated system, indicate that the time is right for an advanced degree in Environmental Systems Management.

The M.S. in Environmental Systems Management has become a necessity for the two colleges as environmental sustainability has become the management objective for every conceivable habitat or ecological community. The proposed degree incorporates 'business management' and 'systems thinking' principles and practices as a core facet of the discipline in the curriculum which makes this M.S. program unique among environmental science programs offered by any other university or college in Texas.

A&M System Funding or Other Financial Implications:

The proposed program will be made up of existing courses taught by current faculty. Therefore, no new faculty costs or major expenses are anticipated during the first five years of the program.

Agenda Item No.

TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY-KINGSVILLE

Office of the President

January 2, 2019

Members, Board of Regents
The Texas A&M University System

Subject: Approval of a New Master of Science in Environmental Systems Management Degree Program, and Authorization to Request Approval from the Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board

I recommend adoption of the following minute order:

“The Board of Regents of The Texas A&M University System approves the establishment of a new degree program at Texas A&M University-Kingsville leading to a Master of Science degree in Environmental Systems Management.

The Board also authorizes submission of Texas A&M University-Kingsville’s new degree program request to the Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board for approval and hereby certifies that all applicable criteria of the Coordinating Board have been met.”

Respectfully submitted,

Mark A. Hussey
President

Approval Recommended:

John Sharp
Chancellor

Billy Hamilton
Deputy Chancellor and
Chief Financial Officer

James R. Hallmark, Ph.D.
Vice Chancellor for Academic Affairs

Approved for Legal Sufficiency:

Ray Bonilla
General Counsel

Texas A&M University-Kingsville

Master of Science
with a major in Environmental Systems Management
(CIP 03.0204.00)

Program Review Outline

BACKGROUND & PROGRAM DESCRIPTION

Administrative Unit: College of Agriculture & Natural Resources (CAgNR).

The proposed Master of Science (M.S.) in Environmental Systems Management will be offered collaboratively by the CAgNR and College of Business Administration (CBA). The M.S. in Environmental Systems Management will be a three to four semester program designed to train a contemporary workforce that understands the balance between commercial exploitation of environmental resources for human socioeconomic needs and the consequences of such exploitation on the natural processes of environmental systems. Thus, the degree will be a collaborative effort between the two colleges.

Educational objectives:

The learning objectives for the M.S. in Environmental Systems Management include:

- to educate a contemporary workforce that understands global environmental issues
- to graduate students knowledgeable in corporate exploitation of environmental resources for human socioeconomic needs
- to produce a workforce that understands the consequences of natural resource exploration and exploitation on environmental systems natural processes
- to train and graduate environmental scientists with business acumen

The proposed implementation date is fall 2019.

Texas A&M-Kingsville certifies that the proposed new degree program meets the criteria under 19 Texas Administrative Code, Section 5.45 in regards to need, quality, financial and faculty resources, standards and costs. New costs during the first five years will not exceed \$2 million.

I. NEED

A. Employment Opportunities

Global environmental issues ranging from localized anthropogenic modifications of habitat to large scale industrial utilization of natural resources have resulted in a cascade of environmental concerns and potential problems. Therefore, irrespective of the stage of human-ecological systems evolution, there will always be a need for environmental systems managers as competent advocates for sustainability and perpetuation of natural ecosystems as humans learn to better live in harmony with nature. As corporate and private industries and governmental institutions confront continuing opportunities and threats by a wide range of environmental issues, the number of available jobs will continue to increase. Environmental systems corporate managers are in high demand in the United States with 2,154,700 corporate establishments producing green goods and services. These

establishments are potential employers of a workforce with advanced environmental scientific knowledge built upon a corporate business management background as proposed by the master's in Environmental Systems Management. In the state of Texas, over 321,760 environmental related jobs were reported in 2014 (www.texascareercheck.com).

Because of the wide range of job opportunities for environmental scientists with corporate America training, the job markets for this workforce will continue to grow. Based on data from the Bureau of Labor Statistics (BLS), and Texas Career Check, the mean annual salary for these specially trained environmental scientists range from \$73,171 to \$97,702 per annum with a mean annual job growth of 18.01% by 2024. In fact, environmental jobs will be among the top 10 fastest growing jobs in 2016-2026 (www.bls.gov). This will continue to create demand for environmental scientists, especially those trained to understand the consequences of corporate exploitation of the environment. Sustainable development demands a thorough understanding of the environment as an intrinsic component of the business world.

Data from the BLS indicates that job opportunities for environmental scientists are projected to increase by 11% between 2016 and 2026, which is faster than the national average for other professions (BLS 2018). The largest employers will be management, scientific and consulting services (23%) and state governments (excluding education and hospitals) (23%), followed by engineering services (9%) and federal government (excluding the postal service) (6%). Environmental scientists in Texas can expect to see an 18% increase in job opportunities by 2024 (www.texascareercheck.com). Employment in Texas for the higher salaried general and operational management jobs related to environmental management are expected to see a 17% increase by 2024.

Salaries for environmental scientists with a bachelor's degree averaged \$75,360 at the national level and the median salary was \$89,500 (BLS 2018). In Texas, the average salary for environmental scientists was \$83,078 in 2014 (www.texascareercheck.com). Salaries ranged from \$53,097 in east Texas to \$112,638 in southeast Texas. The majority of the jobs are expected to be along the Gulf Coast by 2024. For environmental scientists seeking employment as general or operation managers, average salaries were \$122,957. Salaries ranged from \$95,050 in the Lower Rio Grande Valley to \$150,395 on the Gulf Coast where most of the management level jobs are expected to be located by 2024. This is of critical significance to the students educated at Texas A&M-Kingsville as the institution is strategically located near the southern Gulf of Mexico and serves a student body that extends to the southern border of Texas in the Lower Rio Grande Valley. More recent data indicates that the median annual salary for an environmental manager in the U.S. is \$111,063 and ranges from \$97,976 to \$125,310 (Environmental Management Salaries January 2018). At the end of January 2018, at least 38 environmental management jobs were listed on the website ranging from \$93,515 in Midland, TX to \$111, 951 in Pasadena, TX. The average salary for these 38 jobs in Texas was \$104,632.

B. Projected Enrollment

It is anticipated that the M.S. in Environmental Systems Management will begin with a cohort of six students, with moderately increasing enrollment over time, and a total of 30 students in five years.

C. Existing State Programs

There are 12 public universities in Texas that offer a master's degree in environmental science and environmental studies programs. These programs have produced about 100 graduates per year over the past four years. Seventeen public universities offer a bachelor's degree and have produced an average of 363 graduates per year over the past four years. To the best of our knowledge, no program exists in Texas like the one proposed here.

II. QUALITY & RESOURCES

A. Faculty

Faculty from the Department of Agriculture, Agribusiness & Environmental Sciences and the Department of Management & Information Systems will provide core and support roles for the program. The faculty includes six full professors, two associate professors, three assistant professors, and one lecturer. The courses required for the degree will consist of those currently being taught by the two departments. Therefore, it is anticipated no new faculty will be required during the first five years of the program.

B. Program Administration

Dr. A.O. Anoruo, Professor of Agricultural & Environmental Sciences, will provide administration for the program. Additional administrative support will be provided by existing personnel in the AGSC.

C. Other Personnel

No new hire/personnel is anticipated in the first five years of the program.

D. Supplies, Materials

An estimated \$22,000 for laboratory supplies and materials will be required in the first five years. This amount will be funded through external grants.

E. Library

Existing library resources will be sufficient. No additional library resources are anticipated.

F. Equipment, Facilities

Existing equipment and facilities will be sufficient. No additional equipment or facilities will be needed.

G. Accreditation

The proposed degree program will not seek any accreditation for at least the first five years. Once program student enrollment is firmly established, we may seek accreditation in seven years. Regardless, all master's level degree programs are reviewed every five to seven

years through the Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board academic program review process.

III. NEW 5-YEAR COSTS & FUNDING SOURCES

| NEW FIVE-YEAR COSTS | | SOURCES OF FUNDING | |
|-------------------------------|-----------------|----------------------------------|------------------|
| Faculty | \$0 | Formula Income | \$303,437 |
| Program Administration | \$0 | Statutory Tuition | \$91,800 |
| Graduate Assistants | \$0 | Reallocation | \$0 |
| Supplies & Materials | \$22,000 | Designated Tuition | \$141,531 |
| Library & IT Resources | \$0 | Other Funding: | \$0 |
| Equipment, Facilities | \$0 | Board Authorized Tuition | \$91,800 |
| | | Student Fees | \$314,409 |
| Estimated 5-Year Costs | \$22,000 | Estimated 5-Year Revenues | \$942,977 |

AGENDA ITEM BRIEFING

Submitted by: Mark A. Hussey, President
Texas A&M University-Kingsville

Subject: Approval of a New Master of Science with a Major in Mechatronics Engineering Degree Program, and Authorization to Request Approval from the Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board

Proposed Board Action:

Approve the establishment of a new degree program at Texas A&M University-Kingsville (Texas A&M-Kingsville) leading to a Master of Science (M.S.) Degree with a major in Mechatronics Engineering, authorize the submission of this degree program to the Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board (THECB) for approval and certify that all applicable THECB criteria have been met.

Background Information:

Machine manufacturers worldwide report having to build machines that are increasingly complex and having to rely heavily on mechatronics, a field combining mechanical engineering, electrical engineering, and computer science. Consequently, as predicted by the Bureau of Labor Statistics, United States Department of Labor, there will be a significant increase in the demand for professionals working collectively in these fields. Texas A&M-Kingsville is rising to meet this need and, if approved, will be the only institution in Texas to offer a degree in mechatronics engineering. The M.S. in Mechatronics Engineering program will build upon the current computer science, electrical engineering and mechanical engineering research and national prominence.

The objective of the proposed mechatronics engineering program is to produce graduates with broad and up-to-date knowledge, skills and judgment, prepared for professional careers in industry and/or further studies that emphasize advanced design, development and research methods. Several of the courses in the proposed curriculum are already offered in the Computer Science, Electrical Engineering, and Mechanical Engineering departments; additional new courses will be added. Such a combination of courses in the curriculum is an efficient and effective way to meet a workforce need.

A&M System Funding or Other Financial Implications:

The primary cost of the proposed degree will be the hiring of two new tenured or tenure-track faculty. New equipment costs are estimated to be \$43,650 and graduate assistants \$76,500. New costs are estimated to be less than \$2 million.

Agenda Item No.

TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY-KINGSVILLE

Office of the President

January 2, 2019

Members, Board of Regents
The Texas A&M University System

Subject: Approval of a New Master of Science with a Major in Mechatronics Engineering Degree Program, and Authorization to Request Approval from the Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board

I recommend adoption of the following minute order:

“The Board of Regents of The Texas A&M University System approves the establishment of a new degree program at Texas A&M University-Kingsville leading to a Master of Science in Mechatronics Engineering.

The Board also authorizes submission of Texas A&M University-Kingsville’s new degree program request to the Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board for approval and hereby certifies that all applicable criteria of the Coordinating Board have been met.”

Respectfully submitted,

Mark A. Hussey
President

Approval Recommended:

Approved for Legal Sufficiency:

John Sharp
Chancellor

Ray Bonilla
General Counsel

Billy Hamilton
Deputy Chancellor and
Chief Financial Officer

James R. Hallmark, Ph.D.
Vice Chancellor for Academic Affairs

Texas A&M University-Kingsville

Master of Science Degree
with a major in Mechatronics Engineering
(CIP 14.4201.00)

Program Review Outline

BACKGROUND & PROGRAM DESCRIPTION

Administrative Unit: Department of Electrical Engineering and Computer Sciences (EECS) and the Department of Mechanical Engineering (MEIE) within the Frank H. Dotterweich College of Engineering.

Mechatronics stems from mechanical and electronics and is a relatively new approach to product design and development, merging the principles of electrical, mechanical, computer and industrial engineering. It addresses the four interconnected disciplines used for all complex modern devices. Mechatronic systems are typically composed of traditional mechanical and electrical components but are referred to as "smart" devices or systems because of the incorporation of sensors, actuators and computer control systems.

Currently, no institution in Texas offers a degree in mechatronics engineering; therefore, if approved, Texas A&M University-Kingsville (Texas A&M-Kingsville) will be the first to offer such a program to meet the increased need for engineers with a combined knowledge of multiple fields such as mechanical engineering, electrical engineering, as well as computer science – in other words, mechatronics.

Educational Objectives: The object of the proposed mechatronics engineering program is to produce graduates with broad and up-to-date knowledge, skills and judgement, prepared for professional careers in industry and/or further studies that emphasize advanced design, development, and research methods.

Curriculum Requirements: Students will complete 30-36 graduate semester credit hours in courses related to mechatronics engineering (Computer Science, Electrical Engineering, and Mechanical Engineering) and will complete either a graduate research project or thesis.

The proposed implementation date is fall 2019.

Texas A&M-Kingsville certifies that the proposed new degree program meets the criteria under the 19 Texas Administrative Code, Section 5.45 in regards to need, quality, financial and faculty resources, standards and costs. New costs during the first five years will not exceed \$2 million.

I. NEED

A. Employment Opportunities

Mechatronic devices or "smart" devices have become common in our technologically advanced society. Mechatronics engineers work in any company that develops, designs or manufactures and markets "smart" devices.

Mechatronic devices can be found in medicine and surgery, agriculture, buildings, homes, automobiles, the toy and entertainment industry, and in intelligent aids for the elderly and disabled. Opportunities exist in manufacturing, sales as well as in research. Mechatronic devices have crept into everyday life.

According to the Bureau of Labor Statistics (BLS), during the next several years there will be a significant increase in the demand for professionals working collectively in the fields of mechanical engineering, electrical engineering and computer science. Mechatronics combines aspects of all three areas. Texas ranked among the top five states in the nation with the highest employment level of computer network architects, electrical engineers and mechanical engineers. Mechanical engineers in Texas were also among the highest paid in the profession in the country. Local prospective employers in the South Texas area anticipate hiring more mechatronics engineers in the following years.

B. Projected Enrollment

Estimated Cumulative Headcount and Full-Time Student Equivalent (FTSE) Enrollment for the First Five Years of the Proposed Program

| YEAR | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 |
|------------------|----------|----------|----------|----------|----------|
| Headcount | 12 | 31 | 45 | 58 | 68 |
| FTSE | 12 | 24 | 34 | 42 | 48 |

C. Existing State Programs

Currently, no Texas universities offer programs in mechatronics engineering.

II. QUALITY & RESOURCES

A. Faculty

The Frank H. Dotterweich College of Engineering has a number of faculty to offer the courses that would make up the interdisciplinary field of mechatronics engineering. The core faculty will consist of four current tenured faculty with two additional tenured or tenure-track faculty to be added during the first five years of the program. New faculty costs are estimated to require \$805,600.

B. Program Administration

The proposed program will be administered through the Frank H. Dotterweich College of Engineering in the Department of Electrical Engineering and Computer Science as well as the Department of Mechanical Engineering. No new administrative costs are anticipated.

C. Other Personnel

The proposed program will make use of current clerical and support staff in the Frank H. Dotterweich College of Engineering. Graduate assistants will be used in supporting roles to augment the effectiveness of the faculty in new courses developed for the proposed programs. New graduate assistant costs are estimated at \$76,500 for the first five years.

D. Supplies, Materials

The need for supplies and materials is modest and primarily reflects the cost of software and printing, and expendables used in laboratories both in EECS and MEIE departments such as safety gear and lab breakage.

E. Library

The library subscribes to a generous selection of high-value periodical literature and has access to approximately 190,000 e-books. Most of these e-books are accessible through Ebscohost E-books (as well as the catalog). In July 2018, a search under the subject “computer-software development & engineering” discovered 391 e-books; the subject “mechatronics” resulted in 231 e-books, including 54 published in 2015-2018.

The library also participates in Online Computer Library Center interlibrary loan. Library users can borrow articles and books from libraries across the nation, often at no cost. Library resources are sufficient for a master’s level degree in mechatronics.

F. Equipment and Facilities

Laboratory facilities in both EECS and MEIE will be available to support the classroom experiences. The proposed program will utilize existing computer and IT resources currently available such as Matlab, Visual Basic, and C++.

Planned additional equipment to support the proposed courses and degree program include programmable logic controller (PLC) training systems such as for an Allen Bradley PLC based system (part already purchased), as well as an assembly line setup or parts of an assembly line (incorporating various sensors, machine vision systems, embedded systems and robotics) which allows students practical experience with applied knowledge and design on systems modeling or similar to real world industrial and manufacturing applications and associated issues with implementation.

New equipment costs are estimated at \$43,650.

G. Accreditation

Undergraduate degree programs in engineering at Texas A&M-Kingsville are ABET-accredited. Typically, master’s programs are not accredited by ABET.

III. NEW 5-YEAR COSTS & FUNDING SOURCES

| NEW FIVE-YEAR COSTS | | SOURCES OF FUNDING | |
|-------------------------------|------------------|--|--------------------|
| Faculty | \$805,600 | Formula Income | \$776,474 |
| Program Administration | \$0 | Statutory Tuition | \$204,000 |
| Graduate Assistants | \$76,500 | Reallocation | \$0 |
| Supplies & Materials | \$0 | Designated Tuition | \$417,629 |
| Library & IT Resources | \$0 | Other Funding: | \$0 |
| Equipment, Facilities | \$43,650 | Graduate Tuition Above
Statutory (\$50) Tuition | \$110,161 |
| Estimated 5-Year Costs | \$925,750 | Estimated 5-Year Revenues | \$1,508,264 |

Agenda Item No.

WEST TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY

Office of the President

November 26, 2018

Members, Board of Regents
The Texas A&M University System

Subject: Approval of Academic Tenure, January 2019, West Texas A&M University

I recommend adoption of the following minute order.

“The Board of Regents of The Texas A&M University System, in accordance with System Policy 12.01, *Academic Freedom, Responsibility and Tenure*, hereby authorizes the granting of tenure to the following faculty member at West Texas A&M University as set forth in the exhibit, Tenure List No. 19-02.”

Respectfully submitted,

Walter V. Wendler
President

Approval Recommended:

John Sharp
Chancellor

Billy Hamilton
Deputy Chancellor and
Chief Financial Officer

James R. Hallmark, Ph.D.
Vice Chancellor for Academic Affairs

Approved for Legal Sufficiency:

Ray Bonilla
General Counsel

**WEST TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY
RECOMMENDATION FOR TENURE
TENURE LIST NO. 19-02**

| <u>Name</u> | <u>Present Rank</u>
<u>Department</u> | <u>Yrs. Towards Tenure*</u>
<u>Univ.</u> | <u>Other Inst.</u> | <u>Effective</u>
<u>Date/Tenure</u> | <u>Education</u> | <u>Employment</u>
<u>Towards Tenure</u> |
|--|--|---|--------------------|--|---|--|
| PAUL ENGLER COLLEGE OF AGRICULTURE AND NATURAL SCIENCES | | | | | | |
| Dr. Kevin R. Pond | Professor
Animal Sciences | 0 | >15 | Upon Approval
by the Board and
Faculty Arrival | Ph.D.
(Nutrition)
Texas A&M
University
1982 | Fa 1988 – Sp 1993
Associate Professor (Tenured 1988)
North Carolina State University

Fa 1993 – Sp 1996
Professor
North Carolina State University

Fa 1996 – Sp 2011
Professor
Texas Tech University

Fa 2011 – Sp 2018
Professor
Colorado State University

Fa 2018
Professor
West Texas A&M University |

* Each university determines, through a review process, the number of years each faculty member will be awarded tenure based on his/her dossier.

Agenda Item No.

AGENDA ITEM BRIEFING

Submitted by: Tom G. Boggus, Director
Texas A&M Forest Service

Subject: Confirmation of Appointment and Commissioning of Peace Officers

Proposed Board Action:

Confirm the appointment and commissioning of Texas A&M Forest Service (TFS) employees, Thomas C. Hensarling and Michael S. Kuhnert, as peace officers.

Background Information:

Section 88.103, Texas Education Code, provides that the director may appoint not to exceed 25 employees of TFS to serve as peace officers in executing the law enforcement duties of that agency.

The assignment of Mr. Hensarling and Mr. Kuhnert will bring the total current number of commissioned peace officers to 21. The remaining four will be filled over a period of the next several years as full-time equivalents become available.

Mr. Hensarling's assignment will be an additional duty law enforcement officer/investigator in Hudson, (Lufkin Regional Area) Texas. Mr. Hensarling will be fulfilling a need as an essential addition to the law enforcement staffing in the East Texas region of the state. Mr. Kuhnert's assignment will be as a full-time law enforcement officer/investigator in North East Texas (Carthage Area). Mr. Kuhnert will be fulfilling a need for additional law enforcement in the North East Texas region of the state.

Their appointments will enhance TFS's ability to further address major arson fire issues and timber theft as well as an increasing demand for determining basic fire causes throughout the region and enforcing misdemeanor fire violations after the determination of cause and origin of all TFS-responded fires.

Mr. Hensarling and Mr. Kuhnert have completed all the requirements for certification by the Texas Commission on Law Enforcement Officer Standards and Education.

A&M System Funding or Other Financial Implications:

Mr. Hensarling and Mr. Kuhnert will each be entitled to hazardous duty pay as a result of these appointments at the rate of \$10 per month for each year of service as an employee of the state in a position that requires the performance of hazardous duty, up to and including 30 years of service.

Agenda Item No.

TEXAS A&M FOREST SERVICE

Office of the Director

October 2, 2018

Members, Board of Regents
The Texas A&M University System

Subject: Confirmation of Appointment and Commissioning of Peace Officers

I recommend adoption of the following minute order:

“In accordance with System Policy 34.06, Appointment, Commissioning and Authority of Peace Officers, the Board of Regents confirms the director of Texas A&M Forest Service’s appointment and commissioning of Mr. Thomas C. Hensarling and Mr. Michael S. Kuhnert as peace officers for the system, subject to taking the oath required of peace officers.”

Respectfully submitted,

Tom G. Boggus
Director

Approval Recommended:

Approved for Legal Sufficiency:

John Sharp
Chancellor

Ray Bonilla
General Counsel

Billy Hamilton
Deputy Chancellor and
Chief Financial Officer

Patrick J. Stover
Vice Chancellor and Dean
Agriculture and Life Sciences

AGENDA ITEM BRIEFING

Submitted by: Patrick J. Stover, Director
Texas A&M Agrilife Research

Subject: Establishment of the Institute for Precision Nutrition, Responsive Agriculture and Health

Proposed Board Action:

Establish the Institute for Precision Nutrition, Responsive Agriculture and Health (IPN) within Texas A&M AgriLife Research.

Background Information:

Agriculture is the unrealized opportunity to substantially reduce diet-related chronic diseases which cost the U.S. economy \$1 trillion annually and have resulted in 50% of U.S. adults being treated for a chronic disease. Collecting the evidence-base that connects food and nutrient intake to health promotion and chronic disease prevention across the lifespan of individuals is a major gap to setting future nutrient-based and food-based requirements. Guidance from nutrition experts and others regarding the desired composition and quality measures for future commodity production would be of value to producers in Texas, the nation, and the world.

The IPN will develop such guidance by bringing together nutrition scientists, agriculture scientists, stem cell biologists, system engineers, computational biologists, and social scientists. The institute will leverage potential Texas A&M University System (A&M System) partners such as Texas A&M Engineering, Texas A&M University, and Texas A&M AgriLife Extension with external partners such as the USDA Agricultural Research Service (USDA ARS) Children's Nutrition Research Center in Houston.

The establishment of this institute will place the A&M System as leaders in this area and make Texas a model for the world on how to lower diet-related healthcare costs through responsive agriculture.

A&M System Funding or Other Financial Implications:

The IPN will be funded for the next five years by existing commitments from USDA ARS (\$2M), internal funding from AgriLife Research (\$2M), and philanthropy for an evidence center (\$1.5 M). Additional funding will be generated by federal competitive and industry grants and contracts.

Agenda Item No.

TEXAS A&M AGRILIFE RESEARCH

Office of the Director

November 28, 2018

Members, Board of Regents
The Texas A&M University System

Subject: Establishment of the Institute for Precision Nutrition, Responsive Agriculture and Health

I recommend adoption of the following minute order:

“The Institute for Precision Nutrition, Responsive Agriculture and Health is hereby established as an organizational unit of Texas A&M AgriLife Research.”

Respectfully submitted,

Patrick J. Stover, Director
Texas A&M AgriLife Research

Approval Recommended:

Approved for Legal Sufficiency:

John Sharp
Chancellor

Ray Bonilla
General Counsel

Billy Hamilton
Deputy Chancellor and
Chief Financial Officer

James R. Hallmark, Ph.D.
Vice Chancellor for Academic Affairs

TEXAS A&M AGRILIFE RESEARCH
Institute for Precision Nutrition, Responsive Agriculture and Health

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

1. Rationale for Creation

Agriculture is the unrealized opportunity to substantially reduce diet-related chronic diseases which cost the United States (U.S.) economy \$1 trillion annually and have resulted in 50% of U.S. adults being treated for a chronic disease. Collecting the evidence-base that connects foods and nutrient intakes to health promotion and chronic disease prevention across the lifespan of individuals is a major gap to setting future nutrient-based and food-based requirements. Guidance from nutrition experts and others regarding the desired composition and quality measures for future commodity production would be of value to producers in Texas, the nation, and the world.

Likewise, developing production practices that support healthy environments and sustainable agriculture are key to human health. The proposed Institute for Precision Nutrition, Responsive Agriculture and Health (IPN) will be a multidisciplinary institute intended to develop guidance by bringing together nutrition scientists, agriculture scientists, stem cell biologists, system engineers, computational biologists, and social scientists. The IPN will be housed in Texas A&M AgriLife Research (AgriLife Research), leveraging potential Texas A&M University System (A&M System) partners such as Texas A&M Engineering, Texas A&M University (Texas A&M), and Texas A&M AgriLife Extension (AgriLife Extension) with external partners such as the USDA Agriculture Research Service (ARS) Children's Nutrition Research Center in Houston.

The establishment of the institute will place the A&M System as leaders in this area, create opportunities to leverage our existing strengths in production agriculture and plant breeding, spur the acquisition of federal funds from such sources as NIH, and will be a resource and magnet for additional faculty participation and recruitment across multiple members of the A&M System. Texas will be a model for the world on how to lower diet-related healthcare costs through responsive agriculture.

2. Mission and Vision

Mission

The mission of the IPN is to advance and better align production agriculture with human and environmental health through fundamental and applied research and through the integration of research and extension.

Vision

AgriLife Research will be a global leader in developing the evidence-base for an agriculture and food system that lowers rates of malnutrition and diet-related chronic disease while ensuring healthy environments, economies and sustainable agriculture.

Description of the Institute

The institute will be comprised of one center, five multidisciplinary research hubs and two core facilities.

Board of Regents approval will be sought for the Center for Evidence-Based Decision Making in Agriculture, Food, Environment and Health. This center, if approved, will be housed within IPN

and affiliate with major international scientific evidence synthesis consortia to: 1) conduct systematic reviews that address critical questions for policy makers, producers and consumer groups; 2) develop methodologies for evidence synthesis from various types of data; and 3) develop rigorous evaluation research that supports program evaluation for AgriLife Extension and other service programs.

The research hubs include:

- (1) Precision Technology Hub. This hub will bring together life scientists and engineers to develop and validate technologies that can be used in the field by AgriLife Extension staff (e.g., Healthy Texas) and others (e.g., Texas A&M students and the military) to allow continuous and point-of-care measures on a smart phone of diet exposure, nutrition status and function, and disease state (e.g., metabolic, brain, liver, and kidney disease).
- (2) Big Data to Evidence Hub: This hub will bring together life, data, and computer scientists to develop new approaches to integrate large data sets that link indicators of human, environmental, economic, and social health to give holistic assessments of the evidence underlying dietary and nutrient recommendations and policies, agriculture policy, and related nutrition and food system policy.
- (3) Responsive Hub: This hub will bring together life and agricultural scientists to develop commercial agricultural and other food products responsive to human dietary needs for health, consumer acceptance, environmental health, and waste reduction. This hub complements our existing strengths in precision agriculture.
- (4) Human Behavior Change Hub: This hub will bring together social scientists and information scientists to address important questions related to consumer and producer preferences and acceptance/adoption of new technologies, as well as agriculture and food products.
- (5) Stem Cell Nutrition, Health and Longevity Hub: This hub will bring together life scientists and biomedical engineers to understand the unique nutritional needs of adult stem cells during aging that preserve their number and quality to allow life-long tissue regeneration and healthy aging.

The hubs will be led by faculty from the agency and other A&M System members. New faculty will be recruited to lead some of the hubs.

Additionally, two core service facilities will support each hub and drive innovations around big data and analyses. The first of these is the Healthy Texas Food Labeling Core that will be part of the Responsive Hub and will develop analytic measures to assess food quality potentially leading to a “Healthy Texas” label for food. The second core facility will be the Big Data Analytics and Scientific Survey Core that will have information science expertise for developing surveys and web-based analytics to understand consumer preferences and values, and computational and relevant statistical expertise to support all hubs. The Core Facilities will be led by faculty from the agency and other A&M System members. New faculty may be recruited to lead some of the hubs.

External partners with whom we have current programmatic relationships and who will be actively involved in the IPN include: Children's Nutrition Research Center at the Baylor College of Medicine; Technische Universität, Braunschweig, Germany; and The Microsoft Research - University of Trento Centre for Computational and Systems Biology (COSBI), Italy.

3. Impact on the Education and Training of Students

Laboratories within the center and hubs of the institute will be staffed by both undergraduate and graduate students who will have opportunities to work on relevant projects and work with faculty.

Proposed Activities

The IPN will promote and facilitate individual and collaborative research through research and training initiatives.

Research activities of the IPN will include a seminar series; access to grant writers and proposal preparation assistance through AgriLife Research for high priority research initiatives; seed funding for high-priority research initiatives; subsidy of core facilities essential for high-priority research initiatives; and providing core equipment grants in support of high-priority research initiatives.

Training activities may include development of a Registered Dietitian/Ph.D. program by AgriLife Extension/Healthy Texas and a key academic partner (to be named) and the potential development of an M.D./Ph.D. program in nutrition.

4. Sources and Future Expectations of Financial Support

Existing funding to support the IPN includes a Non-Assistance Cooperative Agreement with the USDA ARS (\$2M), internal funding from AgriLife Research (\$2M), and philanthropy for an evidence center (\$1.5 M).

Connecting agriculture, food and health is an area of significant funding opportunity and among the highest priorities for several federal funding agencies, the food industry, and the National Academy of Sciences. Additional funding will be generated by federal competitive and industry grants and contracts.

5. Governance and Advisory Structure

The vice chancellor of agriculture and life sciences is authorized to appoint the IPN director. The IPN will be administered through the Office of the Vice Chancellor of Agriculture and Life Sciences. Faculty from Texas A&M, other A&M System members, and other external entities with interest in the mission and goals of the IPN will be invited to apply to be members.

The IPN will be governed by an external advisory committee. Dr. Stover, vice chancellor for agriculture and life sciences, will serve as chair and will be joined by Dr. Pam Starke-Reed, USDA/ARS; Dr. Denny Bier, USDA/ARS Children's Nutrition Research Center at the Baylor College of Medicine; Dr. Corrado Primi, COSBI, Italy; Dr. Stephan Dubel, Technische Universität Braunschweig, Germany; Dr. M. Katherine Banks, A&M System; Dr. Susan Ballabina (ex officio), A&M System; Dr. David Ragsdale (ex officio), Texas A&M; and Dr. Scott Shaffer (ex officio), Texas A&M. The director will report to the A&M System chancellor or designee. Advisory committees and/or workgroups will be appointed by the director as needed.

6. Mechanisms for Periodic Review

The IPN will be reviewed annually by the advisory committee. Copies of the annual review will be forwarded to system leadership.

AGENDA ITEM BRIEFING

Submitted by: R. Charles Todd, Interim Agency Director
Texas A&M Engineering Extension Service

Subject: Authorization for Time Sensitive Awards Signature Authority for FY 2019 and FY 2020

Proposed Board Action:

Authorize the Texas A&M Engineering Extension Service (TEEX) director, or designee, to execute **Time Sensitive Awards**.

For purposes of this item, **Time Sensitive Awards** mean non-research agreements sponsored by organizations or entities in the government, private, or non-profit sectors (domestic and international) to provide training, technical assistance, and related services, such agreements requiring execution before the next scheduled Board of Regents (Board) meeting in order for TEEX: (a) to begin performance; or (b) to receive obligation of sponsor funds.

Background Information:

Upon further review of TEEX's minute order request for Time Sensitive Awards that was approved at the Board's November 2018 meeting (see attached), the language detailing the breadth of organizations to be covered has been expanded as the original request was restricted in the type of organizations covered.

The November 2018 Board minute order addressed “. . . federal and private non-research Time Sensitive Award agreements . . .” This language excludes Time Sensitive Awards from government entities (state or local) from other U.S. states, as well as from government entities outside of the U.S. The November 2018 Board minute order is also not clear whether a private/public business organization that is wholly owned by a state (foreign or domestic) entity is treated as a government entity or a business organization. The proposed Board action clarifies that it includes both public business organizations (ownership shares are publicly traded) and private business organizations (ownership shares are not publicly traded), as well as recognizing that Time Sensitive Awards may also be sponsored by nonprofit organizations.

For example, TEEX has received, and anticipates receipt of, future time sensitive requests from the following types of organizations:

- (1) Federal agencies;
- (2) State agencies – Texas and other U.S. states;
- (3) Public and private corporations, companies, and partnerships, domestic or international;
- (4) City and county organizations – Texas and other U.S. states; and
- (5) Foreign entities, including governmental entities (state or local) and public or private business corporations, and companies.

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Most recently, TEEEX has received Time Sensitive Award requests from the following organizations that are not covered by the November 2018 Board minute order:

- (1) U.S. State/Local Government Entities. New Jersey Transit Corporation, a state-owned public transportation system that serves New Jersey and portions of New York State and Pennsylvania. TEEEX is performing customized deliveries of the Jurisdictional Crisis Emergency Management - Emergency Operations Center (J CEM-EOC) Course or Jurisdictional Crisis Emergency Management – Incident Command Post (J CEM-ICP) Course to the following emergency responders in the following disciplines: Fire Services; Emergency Medical Services (EMS); Hazardous Materials (HazMat); Law Enforcement; Public Health; Health Care; Public Works; Emergency Management; Governmental Administration; county, state, and federal agency personnel who will respond with a local jurisdiction during any and All Hazards or CBRNE/terrorism incident; and private/corporation.
- (2) Foreign Corporation Wholly Owned by Foreign State Entity. Qatar Petroleum (QP), a for-profit, state-owned, petroleum company in Qatar that operates all oil and gas activities in Qatar. QP and TEEEX have established and operate the Ras Laffan Emergency & Safety College (RLESC) where TEEEX provides fire and emergency training to training participants in the region.

TEEEX anticipates that it may receive Time Sensitive Award requests in the near future from the following types of organizations that are outside of the 2018 Board minute order for the reasons indicated:

- (1) State agencies from other U.S. states and U.S. city and county organizations that need to: (a) expend remaining funds before the end of a fiscal year or prime award end date; (b) expend additional funds in a fiscal year; or (c) expend funds added to an existing award that require immediate expenditure or obligation.

A&M System Funding or Other Financial Implications:

Delaying the execution of the Time Sensitive Award until Board approval will result in a non-award to TEEEX.

Agenda Item No.

TEXAS A&M ENGINEERING EXTENSION SERVICE

Office of the Director

December 19, 2018

Members, Board of Regents
The Texas A&M University System

Subject: Authorization for Time Sensitive Awards Signature Authority for FY 2019 and FY 2020

I recommend adoption of the following minute order:

“The director of The Texas A&M Engineering Extension Service, or designee, is authorized to execute, following a review for legal sufficiency by the Office of General Counsel, and following approval by the Deputy Chancellor and Chief Financial Officer, Time Sensitive Awards to organizations in the government, private or non-profit sectors (domestic and international) to provide training, technical assistance, and related services, for fiscal year 2019 and fiscal year 2020. Previous Minute Order 260-2018 is hereby rescinded.”

Respectfully submitted,

R. Charles Todd
Interim Agency Director
Texas A&M Engineering Extension Service

Approval Recommended:

John Sharp
Chancellor

Billy Hamilton
Deputy Chancellor and
Chief Financial Officer

M. Katherine Banks
Vice Chancellor of Engineering and National Laboratories
Dean of Engineering, Texas A&M University
Director, Texas A&M Engineering Experiment Station

Nim Kidd
Vice Chancellor for Disaster and Emergency Services

Approved for Legal Sufficiency:

Ray Bonilla
General Counsel

**AUTHORIZATION TO EXECUTE
FY 2019 AND FY 2020 FEDERAL NON-RESEARCH GRANTS,
COOPERATIVE AGREEMENTS AND CONTRACTS, AND ANY
AMENDMENTS, MODIFICATIONS OR EXTENSIONS TO
NON-RESEARCH GRANTS, COOPERATIVE AGREEMENTS
AND CONTRACTS FOR THE SAME PROGRAMS,
TEXAS A&M ENGINEERING EXTENSION SERVICE**

The Director of The Texas A&M Engineering Extension Service, or designee, is authorized to execute, following review for legal sufficiency by the Office of General Counsel, federal non-research grants, cooperative agreements, contracts, amendments, modifications or extensions with the United States Department of Homeland Security/Federal Emergency Management Agency, and other federal and private non-research time sensitive award agreements to provide training, technical assistance and related services, for fiscal year 2019 and fiscal year 2020 programs.

CERTIFICATE

I, VICKIE BURT SPILLERS, hereby certify that the foregoing is an exact and accurate copy of Minute Order 260-2018 adopted by the Board of Regents of The Texas A&M University System at its Regular Board Meeting held in College Station, Texas, on November 15, 2018.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto affixed my hand and seal of the said institution on this 13th day of December 2018.

Vickie Burt Spillers
Executive Director, Board of Regents
The Texas A&M University System

***Certified by the general counsel or other appropriate attorney as confidential or information that may be withheld from public disclosure in accordance with Section 551.1281 and Chapter 552 of the Texas Government Code.**