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**MINUTES OF THE
MEETING OF THE BOARD OF REGENTS
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CONVENE – THURSDAY, JULY 21, 2011

Chairman Richard A. Box convened a regular meeting of the Board of Regents of The Texas A&M University System at 10:10 a.m., Thursday, July 21, 2011, in the Board Meeting Room on the campus of Texas A&M University, College Station, Texas. The following members of the Board were present:

Dr. Richard A. Box, Chairman
Mr. Phil Adams, Vice Chairman
Ms. Elaine Mendoza
Ms. Judy Morgan
Mr. Jim Schwertner
Mr. Cliff Thomas
Mr. John D. White
Mr. Jim Wilson
Mr. Fernando Treviño, Student Regent

The following member of the Board was not present:

Mr. Morris Foster

Chairman Box announced that a quorum of the Board was present.

RECESS TO EXECUTIVE SESSION

Chairman Box announced that the Board would recess to executive session as permitted by Chapter 551, Sections 71, 72 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.

(Secretary's Note: The Board met in executive session from 10:41 a.m. until 2:13 p.m.)

RECONVENE IN OPEN SESSION AND RECESS

Chairman Box reconvened the meeting in open session at 2:13 p.m. in the Board Meeting Room. He announced that the Board had met in executive session on July 21, 2011, from 10:41 a.m. to 2:13 p.m. and considered executive session agenda items and conferred with the Chancellor, several system and university administrators and system attorneys on personnel, real property and legal matters. Chairman Box announced that the Board would recess and reconvene at 2:30 p.m., at the Bernard C. Richardson Zone (The Zone).

RECONVENE BOARD MEETING

At 2:35 p.m., Chairman Box reconvened the Board meeting and announced that a quorum was present. He said the Board had met in executive session earlier the same day, July 21, 2011, from 10:41 a.m. to 2:13 p.m.

INVOCATION

Chairman Box called on Mr. Ryan Tannehill, quarterback for the Texas Aggie football team from Big Spring, Texas, majoring in Biology, who presented the invocation.

CHAIRMAN'S REMARKS

Chairman Box extended a formal welcome to Mr. Fernando Treviño, the new student regent. He said he looked forward to having Mr. Treviño share the students' perspective as part of their work on behalf of the A&M System. Chairman Box also officially welcomed Mr. Jay Kimbrough as Interim Chancellor. He said Mr. Kimbrough was a distinguished public servant for our country and the great state of Texas.

Chairman Box announced that the next day the Board would receive a briefing from Mr. Fred Heldenfels, Chairman of the Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board (THECB) and Dr. Raymund Paredes, Commissioner of Higher Education. Dr. Box said these were important times for higher education--not only in Texas, but also across the country. He said the issues of affordability, accountability and transparency continued to be at the forefront of all higher education and the Board looked forward to hearing from Mr. Heldenfels and Dr. Paredes.

Chairman Box said during the last Board meeting, they outlined the selection process to identify the next chancellor of the A&M System and asked Regent White for an update on the chancellor selection process.

Regent White said the chancellor search began in June, with the deadline for accepting applications or recommendations at the beginning of July. Regent White said their goal was to move with all appropriate speed. He reported that because of the quality of the candidates, they believed they could move through interviews and initial determinations before the end of summer. He noted that they would continue to move as quickly as possible and hopefully they should have results long before the November Board meeting relative to interviews and would come back to the Board with the advisory group's recommendations. He noted that they were pleased with the quality of applicants and recommendations.

Chairman Box said as was customary at each meeting, the Board liked to spotlight best practices and efficiencies from across the A&M System. He said that today they wanted to call attention to the state governmental relations team, led by Dr. Stanton Calvert, Vice Chancellor for Governmental Relations, who would present a briefing on the recent legislative session. He said the System's state governmental affairs team had been working in a shared services environment for many years, long before the formation of the shared services initiative and added that while the state governmental

team was extremely efficient, working on behalf of all A&M System members, it was also very effective. Chairman Box said this past legislative session was difficult for the entire state, and although member institutions endured significant budget reductions, higher education overall fared better than in some other areas of state government. He added that this was due to the work of Dr. Calvert and his team. He said they had received reports of positive interactions and direct, positive feedback from many elected officials and thanked Dr. Calvert for a job well done.

CHANCELLOR'S REMARKS

Interim Chancellor Kimbrough said the charge that the Regents had given him was to ensure the ongoing and continued operations of the System during the chancellor's selection process. He said he committed to do his best to keep things running smoothly while they selected the next leader for the A&M System. With respect to the Teaching Excellence Awards, he reported that 307 faculty members across the System received teaching excellence awards for the spring semester, for a total awarded of \$767,500. He noted that the System office made the decision to discontinue the program at the conclusion of FY 2012. He added that the main reason for this decision related to funding. Mr. Kimbrough said as all member institutions, the System offices had made tough budget decisions over the last several months and simply did not have the long-term sustainable funding to continue the awards moving forward. He added that they had listened to feedback from presidents, administrators and faculty and had left the decision to participate in the final year of the program with each of the university presidents. He said the decision to discontinue the Teaching Excellence Award program in no way diminished the A&M System's commitment to teaching excellence. He added that they were still dedicated to producing and recognizing outstanding educators.

Interim Chancellor Kimbrough said the Texas A&M University-San Antonio campus would open its first multi-purpose building this fall. He said this was a proud moment for Dr. Maria Hernandez Ferrier, President of A&M-San Antonio, and all who worked so hard to make this campus on the south side of San Antonio a very special reality.

Interim Chancellor Kimbrough said CNNMoney.com recently ranked Texas A&M International University (TAMIU) one of the 10 most affordable colleges across the country. He added that the Colonias Program through Texas A&M's Center for Housing and Urban Development (CHUD) was recently highlighted by the *Texas Tribune* and CNN. He said through the program, Texas A&M was working to enhance the quality of life in impoverished communities -- many of which lacked necessities, such as potable water, electricity and sewer systems -- through community building, relief and education projects. He said this program spoke directly to Texas A&M's core values of service, as well as to the A&M System's service mission for Texas. He added that this was also a great example of how professors and students jointly used their time and expertise to help those in need.

LEGISLATIVE UPDATE

Dr. Calvert said that on behalf of the governmental relations team, chief financial officers (CFOs), chief executive officers (CEOs) and provosts who helped throughout the session, they accepted the Board's commendations. He said it was their honor to serve the A&M System and no one in the legislative arena had more worthwhile and highly regarded institutions. Dr. Calvert presented the Legislative Update (a copy of which is on file in the Office of the Board of Regents).

Chairman Box asked if there was an indication about the outcomes-based funding as to where the Legislature might go in the future. Dr. Calvert replied in the affirmative and said the most important point was that around 10% of base funding that was otherwise in the base formula (70% of the university's funding came through formula) would likely be allocated beginning next session, based upon outcomes. He said he and former Chancellor Mike McKinney testified in favor of outcomes-based funding for allocation of part of the based funding of System institutions, with some qualifiers. Dr. Calvert said one of the main qualifiers was that it worked to reward institutions that were the highest producers.

Chairman Box asked if he meant a certain graduation rate in four or six years. Dr. Calvert replied in the affirmative and said that ideally it was four years. He said data currently produced dealt with either five or six years, because many students did not finish in four years. He said they were not yet to the point of determining satisfactory performance against a four-year standard -- more likely against a five or six-year standard. Dr. Calvert said secondly, a key element was to take a reading on each institution's performance at a point -- owing to each institution's individuality, location, and socio-economic makeup of students and age of students and measure that institution against itself for progress as well as absolute productivity of degrees. He noted that institutions much preferred a measurement against a current performing baseline so that as they improved, they received credit. He said because they were so different in their makeup, capabilities and the input they received in terms of student preparation, a generic standard was less favored. Dr. Calvert said they would have something along those lines next time and hoped to work on that with the THECB and the Oversight of Higher Education Governance, Excellence & Transparency committee.

TEXAS TRANSPORTATION INSTITUTE UPDATE

Dr. Dennis Christiansen, Director of Texas Transportation Institute (TTI), presented this update (copy of which is on file in the Office of the Board of Regents).

Chairman Box said the Board appreciated the work that Dr. Christiansen and TTI did for Texas.

RECESS

Chairman Box recessed the meeting at 3:25 p.m.

(Secretary's Note: The Committee on Finance convened at 3:25 p.m. and adjourned at 3:45 p.m. The Committee on Academic and Student Affairs convened at 3:45 p.m. and adjourned at 4:00 p.m.)

RECONVENE BOARD MEETING – FRIDAY, JULY 22

Chairman Box reconvened the meeting at 9:00 a.m., on Friday, July 22, 2011, at The Zone, College Station, Texas. The following members of the Board were present:

Dr. Richard A. Box, Chairman
Mr. Phil Adams, Vice Chairman
Ms. Elaine Mendoza
Ms. Judy Morgan
Mr. Jim Schwertner
Mr. Cliff Thomas
Mr. John D. White
Mr. Fernando Treviño, Student Regent

The following members of the Board were not present:

Mr. Morris Foster
Mr. Jim Wilson

TEXAS HIGHER EDUCATION COORDINATING BOARD UPDATE

Mr. Fred Heldenfels, Chair of the THECB, and Dr. Raymund Paredes, Commissioner of Higher Education, gave this presentation (copies of which are on file in the Office of the Board of Regents).

Regent Jim Schwertner said they all agreed that there were limited resources, and they should find a way to utilize all the capital expenditures and the buildings being built were expensive. He asked if the THECB had addressed the future of distance education. Dr. Paredes said they were certainly taking a close look at it. He said there was a growing body of evidence at the national level that suggested that they did not know how to do online education as well as they should. He said it was improving and there were pockets of institutions or individual faculty that did it extremely well. He said there was also a growing body of evidence that suggested the best approach was a blended one; that there were advantages of having face-to-face contact. He reported that some institutions had great success; for example, in a three-hour course meeting with faculty once or twice a week, and on the other two occasions meeting in large learning communities or study groups with graduate students monitoring and helping the students do the work. He said there was some evidence from a series of programs implemented that they improved learning outcomes dramatically and reduced costs between 15% and 30%. He said that kind of result was the “holy grail” of higher education -- where you received better learning outcomes while reducing costs.

Vice Chairman Phil Adams said he believed he spoke for the Board when he said they had high regard for Dr. Paredes' enthusiasm for the measures to improve efficiency

and effectiveness. Regarding the outcomes-based funding, he said he was sure there were great opportunities to increase productivity; they were all about increasing productivity while keeping the high quality. Dr. Paredes said he looked forward to working with the Board.

Chairman Box thanked Mr. Heldenfels and Dr. Paredes for their reports and said the A&M System would assist the THECB in its efforts for higher education in Texas to achieve the goals in “Closing the Gaps.”

REPORT ON THE TEXAS ARMED SERVICES SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM

Chairman Box introduced Mr. Neal Adams who presented an update on the Texas Armed Services Scholarship Program (a copy of which is on file in the Office of the Board of Regents).

Chairman Box thanked Mr. Adams for a job well done and said he had opened the door of opportunity to the future for many youngsters from Texas and they appreciated that.

RECESS

Chairman Box recessed the meeting at 10:02 a.m.

(Secretary’s Note: The Committee on Buildings and Physical Plant convened at 10:02 a.m. and adjourned at 10:24 a.m. The Policy Review Committee convened at 10:24 a.m. and adjourned at 10:27 a.m.)

RECONVENE

Chairman Box reconvened the meeting at 10:27 a.m., and proceeded with the public testimony portion of the Board meeting.

Chairman Box called on Dr. George Cunningham, Professor in the Department of Health & Kinesiology, who asked to make a statement on the Chairman’s remarks on best practices and efficiencies and Interim Chancellor Kimbrough’s remarks related to the Teaching Excellence Awards. Dr. Cunningham presented public testimony (a copy of which is on file in the Office of the Board of Regents).

Chairman Box introduced Dr. Lisako McKyer, an Assistant Professor jointly in the Health and Kinesiology Department at Texas A&M and the Social and Behavioral Health Department at Texas A&M Health Science Center’s School of Rural Public Health. He said she had asked to make a statement on the chancellor’s search, a subject in the Chairman’s remarks. Dr. McKyer presented public testimony (a copy of the written statement of the substance of the oral testimony is on file in the Office of the Board of Regents).

Chairman Box introduced Dr. Kathryn Bell McKenzie, Associate Professor in the Educational Administration and Human Resource Development Department, who asked to

make a statement on the review of best practices and efficiencies, which was a subject in the Chairman's remarks. Dr. McKenzie presented public testimony (a copy of the written statement of the substance of the oral testimony is on file in the Office of the Board of Regents).

REPORT FROM THE COMMITTEE ON AUDIT

Vice Chairman Adams said the Committee on Audit met Thursday, July 21, 2011, and discussed the 3rd Quarter Audit Report, Audit Tracking Report, and received an update on the EthicsPoint Hotline. He said the committee also approved Item 1, the A&M System's Internal Audit Plan for FY 2012.

On motion of Vice Chairman Adams, seconded by Regent White the following minute order was approved (139):

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**MINUTE ORDER 139-2011 (ITEM 1)**

**APPROVAL OF SYSTEM INTERNAL AUDIT PLAN FOR FISCAL YEAR 2012,  
THE TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY SYSTEM**

The Board of Regents of The Texas A&M University System hereby approves the System Internal Audit Plan for Fiscal Year 2012, a copy of which is attached to the official minutes as **Exhibit A**.

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REPORT FROM THE COMMITTEE ON FINANCE

Regent Thomas, Acting Chairman of the Committee on Finance, said the committee met and received an investment report from the A&M System's investment consultant, Fund Evaluation Group. He said the committee also considered Items 2 through 7 and recommended approval of these items by the full Board.

On motion of Regent Thomas, seconded by Regent Mendoza the following minute orders were approved (140 through 145):

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**MINUTE ORDER 140-2011 (ITEM 2)**

**APPROVAL OF REVISIONS TO  
SYSTEM POLICY 22.02 (SYSTEM INVESTMENT),  
THE TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY SYSTEM**

The revisions to System Policy 22.02 (*System Investment*), as shown in **Exhibit B**, are approved and effective immediately.

**MINUTE ORDER 141-2011 (ITEM 3)****ADOPTION OF A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE OF THE  
BOARD OF REGENTS OF THE TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY SYSTEM  
REVENUE FINANCING SYSTEM BONDS, SERIES 20\_\_,  
THE TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY SYSTEM**

The resolution authorizing the issuance of the Board of Regents of The Texas A&M University System Revenue Financing System Bonds, Series 20\_\_, substantially in the form of **Exhibit C**, is adopted. The Chief Investment Officer and Treasurer, or other designated financial officer, is hereby authorized to take such actions as are necessary to accomplish the purposes of the resolution, including those relating to the issuance, sale, security and delivery of the bonds, all in accordance with the provisions of the resolution and to submit, as required, a notice of intent to the Texas Bond Review Board relating to the bonds.

**MINUTE ORDER 142-2011 (ITEM 4)****ADOPTION OF A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE OF THE  
BOARD OF REGENTS OF THE TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY SYSTEM  
PERMANENT UNIVERSITY FUND BONDS, SERIES 20\_\_,  
THE TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY SYSTEM**

The resolution authorizing the issuance of the Board of Regents of The Texas A&M University System Permanent University Fund Bonds, Series 20\_\_, substantially in the form of **Exhibit D**, is adopted. The Chief Investment Officer and Treasurer, or other designated financial officer, is hereby authorized to take such actions as are necessary to accomplish the purposes of the resolution, including those relating to the issuance, sale, security, and delivery of the bonds, all in accordance with the provisions of the resolution.

**MINUTE ORDER 143-2011 (ITEM 5)****APPROVAL OF REVOLVING FUND BANK ACCOUNTS,  
THE TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY SYSTEM**

Under the authority of the General Appropriations Act, and effective for the biennium beginning September 1, 2011, each of the following members of The Texas A&M University System is authorized to maintain a centralized Revolving Fund Bank Account in the banks and within the limits indicated below. Such accounts will be used to facilitate the payment of nominal expenses, debt service and payrolls. In addition, the accounts will be used to pay bills within cash discount periods, when the disbursements are reimbursable from funds held in the State Treasury. The employees named below, and their successors in office, are hereby authorized to sign checks for the withdrawal of such funds according to law, provided that each check shall be signed by one of the authorized persons.

1. THE TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY SYSTEM

Revolving Fund portion not to exceed \$60,000,000 (Operating and Debt Service)

Source of Funds - Institutional Funds

Depository Bank – Wells Fargo Bank, N. A.

Employees authorized to sign checks:

Gregory R. Anderson, Chief Investment Officer and Treasurer

Maria L. Robinson, Director of Treasury Services

Elaine N. Welch, Senior Treasury Analyst

Cindy L. Hanks, Senior Financial Analyst

Janet Guillory, Director, Financial Management Operations

Debbie Phair, Director, Financial Management Operations

Phillip Guillen, Director, Financial Management Operations

John Crawford, Associate Vice President for Finance and Controller

2. TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY

Revolving Fund portion not to exceed \$40,000,000

Source of Funds - Institutional Funds

Depository Bank – Wells Fargo Bank, N. A.

Employees authorized to sign checks:

John Crawford, Associate Vice President for Finance and Controller

Debbie Phair, Director, Financial Management Operations

Phillip Guillen, Director, Financial Management Operations

Janet Guillory, Director, Financial Management Operations

Linda Kettler, Assistant Director, Financial Management Operations

TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY AT GALVESTON

Revolving Fund portion not to exceed \$1,100,000

Source of Funds - Institutional Funds

Depository Bank – Wells Fargo Bank, N. A.

Employees authorized to sign checks:

Susan Hernandez Lee, Associate Vice President for Finance

John Crawford, Associate Vice President for Finance and Controller

Debbie Phair, Director, Financial Management Operations

Janet Guillory, Director, Financial Management Operations

3. TARLETON STATE UNIVERSITY

Revolving Fund portion not to exceed \$4,000,000

Source of Funds - Institutional Funds

Depository Bank – Wells Fargo Bank, N. A.

Employees authorized to sign checks:

J. W. Graham, Vice President for Finance and Administration

Mike Tate, Assistant Vice President and Controller

Deanna Powell, Director of Accounting

Karen Fincher, Senior Staff Accountant

4. PRAIRIE VIEW A&M UNIVERSITY

Revolving Fund portion not to exceed \$7,000,000  
Source of Funds - Institutional Funds  
Depository Bank – Wells Fargo Bank, N. A.  
Employees authorized to sign checks:

Corey S. Bradford, Senior Vice President for Business Affairs  
Rod Mireles, Associate Vice President for Financial Administration  
Cozette Turner, Financial Accounting Manager  
Dianne Evans, Budget Supervisor

5. TEXAS AGRILIFE RESEARCH

Revolving Fund portion not to exceed \$3,800,000  
Source of Funds - Institutional Funds  
Depository Bank – Wells Fargo Bank, N. A.  
Employees authorized to sign checks:

Mark A. Hussey, Vice Chancellor and Dean for Agriculture and Life Sciences  
William Dugas, Associate Vice Chancellor for Business and Strategic Operations  
Johnny Fazzino, Assistant Vice Chancellor  
Deanie Dudley, Assistant Dean of Finance and Administration  
Craig Nessler, Director of Texas AgriLife Research  
Donna Alexander, Assistant Director  
Michael E. McCasland, Assistant Director  
Shiao-Yen Ko, Manager of Accounting Services  
Kimberly Payne, Assistant Financial Manager  
Loree Lewis, Coordinator of Management Information  
William Gray, Financial Analyst

6. TEXAS AGRILIFE EXTENSION SERVICE

Revolving Fund portion not to exceed \$3,500,000  
Source of Funds - Institutional Funds  
Depository Bank – Wells Fargo Bank, N. A.  
Employees authorized to sign checks:

Johnny Fazzino, Assistant Vice Chancellor  
Deanie Dudley, Assistant Dean of Finance and Administration  
Edward G. Smith, Director of Texas AgriLife Extension Service  
Kyle L. Smith, Executive Associate Director  
Donna Alexander, Assistant Director  
Michael E. McCasland, Assistant Director  
Shiao-Yen Ko, Manager of Accounting Services  
Kimberly Payne, Assistant Financial Manager  
Loree Lewis, Coordinator of Management Information  
William Gray, Financial Analyst

7. TEXAS ENGINEERING EXPERIMENT STATION

Revolving Fund portion not to exceed \$3,000,000  
Source of Funds – Institutional Funds  
Depository Bank – Wells Fargo Bank, N. A.  
Employees authorized to sign checks:

G. Kemble Bennett, Vice Chancellor and Dean of Engineering, Director, Texas Engineering Experiment Station  
Carol Huff, Assistant Agency Director and Chief Financial Officer  
Andrew B. Hinton, Controller  
Karen Fawcett, Assistant Controller  
Marsa McKee, Financial Manager  
Janice Ebner, Financial Management Supervisor I  
Karen Zuberer, Staff Accountant

8. TEXAS ENGINEERING EXTENSION SERVICE

Revolving Fund portion not to exceed \$350,000  
Source of Funds – Institutional Funds  
Depository Bank – Wells Fargo Bank, N. A.  
Employees authorized to sign checks:

John Skrabanek, Associate Agency Director and Chief Financial Officer  
Carolyn Record, Controller  
Dianne Smith, Financial Manager  
Christina Peery, Staff Accountant

9. TEXAS FOREST SERVICE

Revolving Fund portion not to exceed \$3,500,000  
Source of Funds – Institutional Funds  
Depository Bank – Wells Fargo Bank, N. A.  
Employees authorized to sign checks:

Tom G. Boggus, Director of Texas Forest Service  
Robby DeWitt, Associate Director for Finance and Administration  
Travis Zamzow, Budgets and Accounting Department Head  
Bill Fox, Payroll and Support Services Department Head  
James D. Puckett, III, Senior Business Analyst

10. TEXAS TRANSPORTATION INSTITUTE

Revolving Fund portion not to exceed \$550,000  
Source of Funds - Institutional Funds  
Depository Bank – Wells Fargo Bank, N. A.  
Employees authorized to sign checks:

Don Bugh, Executive Associate Director  
Anna Jo Mitchell, Assistant Chief Financial Officer  
Marie Ethridge, Director of Accounting and Controller  
Susan Massey, Assistant Financial Manager  
Vacant, Financial Accountant III



11. TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY - CORPUS CHRISTI

Revolving Fund portion not to exceed \$4,000,000  
Source of Funds - Institutional Funds  
Depository Bank – Wells Fargo Bank, N. A.  
Employees authorized to sign checks:

Flavius C. Killebrew, President  
Kathryn Funk-Baxter, Executive Vice President for Finance and Administration  
Judy Harral, Executive Director of Administrative Services  
Kemberly Wedgeworth, Director of Budgets  
Rebecca Torres, Comptroller

12. TEXAS A&M INTERNATIONAL UNIVERSITY

Revolving Fund portion not to exceed \$2,000,000  
Source of Funds - Institutional Funds  
Depository Bank – Wells Fargo Bank, N. A.  
Employees authorized to sign checks:

Ray M. Keck, President  
Juan J. Castillo, Jr., Vice President for Finance and Administration  
Elena Martinez, Comptroller  
Hector Mejia, Associate Comptroller  
Fred Juarez III, Director of Budget, Payroll, Grants and Contracts  
Melisa Rangel, Director of Accounting  
Maria Elena Hernandez, Business Manager  
Patricia Ornelas, Senior Staff Accountant

13. TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY – KINGSVILLE

Revolving Fund portion not to exceed \$4,000,000  
Source of Funds - Institutional Funds  
Depository Bank – Wells Fargo Bank, N. A.  
Employees authorized to sign checks:

Steven H. Tallant, President  
Marilyn Fowle, Vice President for Finance and Administration  
Paula Hanson, Comptroller  
Tina Livingston, Director of Budgets  
Maricela Flores, Assistant Comptroller and Director of Accounting  
Claudia Conard, Senior Financial Analyst  
Joanne Alvarado, Financial Analyst

14. WEST TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY

Revolving Fund portion not to exceed \$3,000,000  
Source of Funds - Institutional Funds  
Depository Bank – Wells Fargo Bank, N. A.  
Employees authorized to sign checks:

Gary Barnes, Vice President for Business and Finance  
Richard Johnson, Associate Vice President for Business and Finance/Controller  
Shelly Davis, Director of Accounting  
Julie Harvell, Accountant II/Grants Manager

15. TEXAS VETERINARY MEDICAL DIAGNOSTIC LABORATORY

Revolving Fund portion not to exceed \$3,800,000

Source of Funds - Institutional Funds

Depository Bank – Wells Fargo Bank, N. A.

Employees authorized to sign checks:

Mark A. Hussey, Vice Chancellor and Dean for Agriculture and Life Sciences  
William Dugas, Associate Vice Chancellor for Business and Strategic Operations  
Johnny Fazzino, Assistant Vice Chancellor  
Deanie Dudley, Assistant Dean of Finance and Administration  
Tammy Beckham, Director of the Texas Veterinary Medical Diagnostic Laboratory  
Vic S. Seidel, Assistant Agency Director  
Donna Alexander, Assistant Director  
Michael E. McCasland, Assistant Director  
Shiao-Yen Ko, Manager of Accounting Services  
Kimberly Payne, Assistant Financial Manager  
Loree Lewis, Coordinator of Management Information  
William Gray, Financial Analyst

16. TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY – COMMERCE

Revolving Fund portion not to exceed \$4,000,000

Source of Funds - Institutional Funds

Depository Bank – Wells Fargo Bank, N. A.

Employees authorized to sign checks:

Dan Jones, President  
Bob Brown, Vice President for Business and Administration  
Alicia Currin, Associate Vice President for Business and Administration  
Rex Giddens, Assistant Vice President for Administrative Services  
Kim Laird, Director of Accounting and Comptroller  
Cheryl Scott, Director of Emerging Financial Services  
Janet Anderson, Budget Coordinator

17. TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY – TEXARKANA

Revolving Fund portion not to exceed \$900,000

Source of Funds - Institutional Funds

Depository Bank – Wells Fargo Bank, N. A.

Employees authorized to sign checks:

Carlisle B. Rathburn III, President  
Randy Rikel, Vice President for Finance and Administration  
James S. Scogin, Controller and Director of Accounting  
Marc Icenhower, Chief Accountant

18. THE TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY SYSTEM HEALTH SCIENCE CENTER

Revolving Fund portion not to exceed \$7,000,000

Source of Funds - Institutional Funds

Depository Bank – Wells Fargo Bank, N. A.

Employees authorized to sign checks:

Barry C. Nelson, Vice President for Finance and Administration  
Rayellen Milburn, Senior Associate Vice President and Controller  
Jeffery T. Burton, Associate Vice President and Assistant Controller  
Kristin Nace, Assistant Vice President of Fiscal Services and Budgets

19. TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY – CENTRAL TEXAS

Revolving Fund portion not to exceed \$2,000,000  
Source of Funds - Institutional Funds  
Depository Bank – Wells Fargo Bank, N. A.  
Employees authorized to sign checks:

Marc Nigliazzo, President  
Gaylene Nunn, Vice President of Finance and Administration  
Susan Bowden, Controller/Director of Accounting  
Jennifer Skiver, Accounting Manager

20. TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY – SAN ANTONIO

Revolving Fund portion not to exceed \$2,000,000  
Source of Funds - Institutional Funds  
Depository Bank – Wells Fargo, N. A.  
Employees authorized to sign checks:

Maria Hernandez Ferrier, President  
Kenneth Mitts, Vice President for Finance and Administration  
Stephanie Scott, Assistant Vice President for Financial Services and Comptroller  
Patricia Hayes, Director of Business Services

**MINUTE ORDER 144-2011 (ITEM 6)**

**AUTHORIZATION FOR THE PRESIDENT TO ESTABLISH A  
ONE-TIME DEVELOPMENT FEE FOR ALL GIFTS TO THE  
TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY SYSTEM HEALTH SCIENCE CENTER AND/OR  
TEXAS A&M HEALTH SCIENCE CENTER FOUNDATION,  
THE TEXAS A&M HEALTH SCIENCE CENTER**

The Board of Regents of The Texas A&M University System authorizes the President of The Texas A&M University System Health Science Center to establish a one-time development fee for all gifts to The Texas A&M University System Health Science Center and/or The Texas A&M Health Science Center Foundation.

**MINUTE ORDER 145-2011 (ITEM 7)**

**AUTHORIZATION FOR THE CHANCELLOR TO EXECUTE CONTRACT  
WITH SCOTT & WHITE CLINIC AND SCOTT AND WHITE MEMORIAL  
HOSPITAL AND SCOTT, SHERWOOD AND BRINDLEY FOUNDATION,  
THE TEXAS A&M HEALTH SCIENCE CENTER**

The Board of Regents of The Texas A&M University System hereby grants authority to the Chancellor of The Texas A&M University System, upon review and approval for legal sufficiency by the Office of General Counsel, to execute the annual agreement with Scott & White Clinic and Scott and White Memorial Hospital and Scott, Sherwood and Brindley Foundation for medical education teaching services in Temple, Texas, for the fiscal year 2012.

**REPORT FROM THE COMMITTEE ON BUILDINGS AND PHYSICAL PLANT**

Regent Schwertner, Chairman of the Committee on Buildings and Physical Plant, reported that the committee met earlier the same day and recommended approval of Items 8 through 15 as presented.

On motion of Regent Schwertner, seconded by Regent Thomas and by a unanimous vote, the following minute orders were approved (146 through 159):

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MINUTE ORDER 146-2011 (ITEM 8)**APPROVAL OF SYSTEM CAPITAL PLAN FOR FY 2012 – FY 2016,
THE TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY SYSTEM**

The system capital plan for FY 2012 – FY 2016, as shown in **Exhibit E**, is approved and authorization to appropriate up to 10 percent of the planning amount indicated for all FY 2012 proposed projects is granted. In addition, the appropriation of PUF and RFS funding is approved for FY 2012 rehabilitation/renovation and equipment/software procurement projects administered by the institutions.

The Board of Regents of The Texas A&M University System (board) reasonably expects to incur debt in one or more obligations for these projects, 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).

To the extent projects are funded by the Revenue Financing System, and 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 147-2011 (ITEM 9)**APPROVAL OF THE PROJECT SCOPE AND BUDGET, APPROPRIATION
FOR CONSTRUCTION SERVICES, AND APPROVAL FOR CONSTRUCTION
FOR THE 2011 CAPITAL RENEWAL PROJECT (5-3092),
PRAIRIE VIEW A&M UNIVERSITY,
THE TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY SYSTEM**

The project scope along with a project budget of \$11,067,000 for the 2011 Capital Renewal Project is approved.

The amount of \$7,500,000 is appropriated from Account No. 01-084900, Permanent University Fund Debt Proceeds (Available University Fund) and the amount of \$3,567,000 is appropriated from Account No. 01-085350, Revenue Financing System Debt Proceeds (Designated Tuition), for construction services and related project costs. The amount of \$1,000,000 of previous appropriations is reverted to Account No. 05-111784, State Budget Reserve and the amount of \$150,000 is reverted to Account No. 05-217211, Designated Deferred Maintenance.

The 2011 Capital Renewal Project, Prairie View A&M University, Prairie View, 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 148-2011 (ITEM 10)

**APPROVAL OF THE PROJECT SCOPE AND BUDGET, APPROPRIATION
FOR CONSTRUCTION SERVICES, AND APPROVAL FOR CONSTRUCTION
FOR THE NORTHSIDE RESIDENCE HALL PROJECT (2-3067),
TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY,
THE TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY SYSTEM**

The project scope along with a project budget of \$68,000,000 for the Northside Residence Hall Project is approved.

The amount of \$67,000,000 is appropriated from Account No. 01-085350, Revenue Financing System Debt Proceeds (Housing Revenue), and the amount of \$1,000,000 is appropriated from Account No. 02-021843, Income Equalization, for construction services and related project costs. The amount of \$5,800,000 of previous appropriations is reverted to Account No. 02-030062, Residence Halls. Appropriations over \$58,000,000 are subject to project re-approval by the Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board.

The Northside Residence 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 149-2011 (ITEM 11)

**APPROVAL OF THE PROJECT SCOPE AND BUDGET, APPROPRIATION FOR
CONSTRUCTION SERVICES, AND APPROVAL FOR CONSTRUCTION FOR
THE JACK B. KELLEY STUDENT CENTER EXPANSION PROJECT (18-3093),
WEST TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY,
THE TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY SYSTEM**

The project scope along with a project budget of \$10,900,000 for the Jack B. Kelley Student Center Expansion Project is approved.

The amount of \$10,900,000 is appropriated from Account No. 01-085350, Revenue Financing System Debt Proceeds (Student Fees), for construction services and related project costs. The amount of \$650,000 of previous appropriations is reverted to Account No. 18-899122, JBK Student Center Expansion.

The Jack B. Kelley Student Center Expansion Project, West 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).

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 150-2011 (ITEM 12)

**APPROVAL OF REVISIONS TO SYSTEM POLICY 51.06
(NAMING OF BUILDINGS AND OTHER ENTITIES),
THE TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY SYSTEM**

The revisions to System Policy 51.06 (*Naming of Buildings and Other Entities*), as shown in **Exhibit F**, are approved, effective immediately.

MINUTE ORDER 151-2011 (ITEM 13)

**NAMING OF THE “SONYA ERWIN FRANKLIN WETLANDS FIELD
LABORATORY OF TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY-COMMERCE,”
TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY-COMMERCE**

A gift of property to Texas A&M University-Commerce is hereby named the “Sonya Erwin Franklin Wetlands Field Laboratory of Texas A&M University-Commerce.”

MINUTE ORDER 152-2011 (ITEM 13)

**NAMING OF THE “HAPPY STATE BANK FIELD,”
WEST TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY**

The football field located at Kimbrough Memorial Stadium on the campus of West Texas A&M University is hereby named the “Happy State Bank Field.”

MINUTE ORDER 153-2011 (ITEM 13)

**NAMING OF THE “G. ROLLIE WHITE CONFERENCE ROOM,”
TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY**

The main conference room (501) on the fifth floor of the Agriculture and Life Sciences Building on the campus of Texas A&M University is hereby named the “G. Rollie White Conference Room.”

MINUTE ORDER 154-2011 (ITEM 13)

**NAMING OF THE “LYNDA AND TOM CURL ’70 CONFERENCE ROOM,”
TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY**

The main conference room (201) on the second floor of the Agriculture and Life Sciences Building on the campus of Texas A&M University is hereby named the “Lynda and Tom Curl ’70 Conference Room.”

MINUTE ORDER 155-2011 (ITEM 13)

**NAMING OF THE “SHIRLEY AND JOE SWINBANK ’74
RURAL ENTREPRENEURSHIP CLASSROOM,”
TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY**

Classroom 116 on the first floor of the Agriculture and Life Sciences Building on the campus of Texas A&M University is hereby named the “Shirley and Joe Swinbank ’74 Rural Entrepreneurship Classroom.”

MINUTE ORDER 156-2011 (ITEM 13)

**NAMING OF THE “BLUE BELL CREAMERIES CLASSROOM,”
TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY**

Classroom 113 on the first floor of the Agriculture and Life Sciences Building on the campus of Texas A&M University is hereby named the “Blue Bell Creameries Classroom.”

MINUTE ORDER 157-2011 (ITEM 13)

**NAMING OF THE
“ROBERT E. ‘BOB’ WIATT PHYSICAL SKILLS TRAINING COMPLEX,”
TEXAS ENGINEERING EXTENSION SERVICE**

The Texas Engineering Extension Service’s new Physical Skills Training Complex located at the Riverside Campus is hereby named the “Robert E. ‘Bob’ Wiatt Physical Skills Training Complex.”

MINUTE ORDER 158-2011 (ITEM 14)

**AUTHORIZATION TO LEASE APPROXIMATELY 36,888 SQUARE FEET
OF OFFICE AND CLASSROOM SPACE IN THE CITY OF DALLAS,
DALLAS COUNTY, TEXAS,
TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY-COMMERCE**

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 lease approximately 36,888 square feet of space for the Universities Center at Dallas located in the University of North Texas System Building at 1901 Main Street, Dallas, Texas, for a term of four years, and upon such other terms and conditions as the Chancellor, or designee, deems appropriate.

MINUTE ORDER 159-2011 (ITEM 15)

**AUTHORIZATION TO GRANT A CONDITIONAL
ROADWAY EASEMENT TO BASTROP COUNTY, TEXAS,
TEXAS FOREST SERVICE**

The Chancellor of The Texas A&M University System, or designee, following review for legal sufficiency by the Office of General Counsel, is authorized to execute a conditional roadway easement to Bastrop County for improvements to Meduna Road across A&M System property in Bastrop County, Texas, to remain in effect as long as the property is used as a roadway.

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**REPORT FROM THE COMMITTEE ON ACADEMIC AND STUDENT AFFAIRS**

Regent Mendoza, Chairman of the Committee on Academic and Student Affairs, reported that the committee met Wednesday, July 20 and Thursday, July 21. She said the committee unanimously recommended approval of Items 16 through 27.

On motion of Regent Mendoza, seconded by Regent White and by a unanimous vote, the following minute orders were approved (160 through 171):

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MINUTE ORDER 160-2011 (ITEM 16)

**APPROVAL OF REVISIONS TO
SYSTEM POLICY 11.03 (SHORTENED COURSES),
THE TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY SYSTEM**

The revisions to System Policy 11.03 (*Shortened Courses*), as shown in **Exhibit G**, are approved, effective immediately.

MINUTE ORDER 161-2011 (ITEM 17)

**APPROVAL OF CHANGES TO THE ADMISSIONS STANDARDS FOR
SYSTEM MEMBER UNIVERSITIES AND THE TEXAS A&M HEALTH
SCIENCE CENTER FOR THE YEAR 2012,
THE TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY SYSTEM**

The Board of Regents of The Texas A&M University System hereby approves the changes to the admissions standards of the member universities and the Health Science Center of The Texas A&M University System for the Year 2012, as shown in **Exhibits H, I, J and K**, copies of which are attached to the official minutes.

MINUTE ORDER 162-2011 (ITEM 18)

APPROVAL TO OFFER EXISTING BACHELOR'S AND MASTER'S DEGREE PROGRAMS AT THE PRAIRIE VIEW A&M UNIVERSITY NORTHWEST HOUSTON CENTER, AND AUTHORIZATION TO REQUEST APPROVAL FROM THE TEXAS HIGHER EDUCATION COORDINATING BOARD, PRAIRIE VIEW A&M UNIVERSITY

The Board of Regents of The Texas A&M University System approves the request to offer the existing Bachelor of Arts in Communications and the Master of Business Administration degree programs at the Prairie View A&M University Northwest Houston Center.

The Board also authorizes submission of this 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 163-2011 (ITEM 19)

APPROVAL OF A BACHELOR OF ARTS IN INTERNATIONAL STUDIES DEGREE PROGRAM, 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 Bachelor of Arts in International Studies.

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 164-2011 (ITEM 20)

APPROVAL OF A NEW MASTER OF SCIENCE IN KINESIOLOGY, 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 Kinesiology with support areas in Sports Medicine and Athletic Administration.

The Board also authorizes submission of Tarleton State 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 165-2011 (ITEM 21)

**APPROVAL TO OFFER EXISTING BACHELOR’S AND MASTER’S DEGREES
AT THE SOUTHWEST METROPLEX CENTER LOCATIONS,
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 delivery of existing Bachelor’s and Master’s Degrees at the Southwest Metroplex Center locations.

The Board also authorizes the submission of Tarleton State University’s requests 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 166-2011 (ITEM 22)

**APPROVAL TO OFFER EXISTING BACHELOR’S AND
MASTER’S DEGREES AT TARLETON STATE UNIVERSITY–WACO
AT MCLENNAN COMMUNITY COLLEGE UNIVERSITY CENTER, 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 delivery of existing Bachelor’s and Master’s Degrees at Tarleton State University-Waco at McLennan Community College University Center.

The Board also authorizes the submission of Tarleton State University’s 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 167-2011 (ITEM 23)

**APPROVAL OF A NEW MASTER OF SCIENCE IN
ATHLETIC TRAINING DEGREE PROGRAM, AND AUTHORIZATION
TO SUBMIT THE PROPOSAL TO THE
TEXAS HIGHER EDUCATION COORDINATING BOARD FOR APPROVAL,
TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY**

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

The Board also authorizes submission of Texas A&M University’s new graduate 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 168-2011 (ITEM 24)

**APPROVAL OF A NEW MASTER OF FINE ARTS DEGREE PROGRAM
IN VISUALIZATION, AND AUTHORIZATION TO REQUEST APPROVAL
FROM THE TEXAS HIGHER EDUCATION COORDINATING BOARD,
TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY**

The Board of Regents of The Texas A&M University System approves the establishment of a new degree program at Texas A&M University leading to a Master of Fine Arts degree in Visualization.

The Board also authorizes submission of Texas A&M University's new graduate 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 169-2011 (ITEM 25)

**APPROVAL TO ESTABLISH THE MIDLOTHIAN HIGHER EDUCATION
CENTER, A MULTI-INSTITUTIONAL TEACHING CENTER ON THE
MIDLOTHIAN CAMPUS OF NAVARRO COLLEGE, AND
AUTHORIZATION TO REQUEST APPROVAL FROM THE
TEXAS HIGHER EDUCATION COORDINATING BOARD,
TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY-COMMERCE/TARLETON STATE UNIVERSITY**

The Board of Regents of The Texas A&M University System approves the establishment of the Midlothian Higher Education Center, a multi-institutional teaching center on the Midlothian Campus of Navarro College.

The Board also authorizes the submission of Texas A&M University-Commerce and Tarleton State University's 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 170-2011 (ITEM 26)

**APPROVAL OF A BACHELOR OF SCIENCE IN COMPUTER SCIENCE
DEGREE PROGRAM, AND AUTHORIZATION TO REQUEST APPROVAL
FROM THE TEXAS HIGHER EDUCATION COORDINATING BOARD,
TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY-SAN ANTONIO**

The Board of Regents of The Texas A&M University System approves the establishment of a new degree program at Texas A&M University-San Antonio leading to a Bachelor of Science degree in Computer Science.

The Board also authorizes submission of Texas A&M University-San Antonio's 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 171-2011 (ITEM 27)

**APPROVAL OF THE ADMINISTRATIVE CHANGE REQUEST
FOR ACADEMIC REORGANIZATION AND AUTHORIZATION
TO REQUEST APPROVAL FROM THE
TEXAS HIGHER EDUCATION COORDINATING BOARD,
TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY-TEXARKANA**

The Board of Regents of The Texas A&M University System approves Texas A&M University-Texarkana's administrative change request for academic reorganization to eliminate the College of Health and Behavioral Sciences, effective September 1, 2011.

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

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**ADDITIONAL ITEMS TO BE CONSIDERED BY THE BOARD**

Dr. Bowen Loftin, President of Texas A&M, presented Items 28, 29 and 31. RADM Smith, Vice President and CEO of Texas A&M University at Galveston (TAMUG), presented Item 30.

Regent White said RADM Smith was carrying on Dr. Loftin's great tradition of hiring wonderful people to the TAMUG's Board of Visitors.

On motion of Regent Schwertner, seconded by Regent Thomas and by a unanimous vote, the following minute orders were approved (172 through 175):

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MINUTE ORDER 172-2011 (ITEM 28)

**ADOPTION OF A RESOLUTION HONORING MR. BOB SUROVIK '58
FOR HIS OUTSTANDING DEDICATION AND SERVICE AS TRUSTEE OF
THE TEXAS A&M FOUNDATION,
TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY**

Whereas, Mr. Bob J. Surovik, a member of the Class of 1958, has served Texas A&M University with honor and distinction in a variety of capacities; and

Whereas, Mr. Surovik earned a bachelor's degree in accounting from Texas A&M University, where he was a member of the Corps of Cadets, sophomore class president, Student Senate president, Memorial Student Center Council member, a Singing Cadet; and

Whereas, Mr. Surovik served in the U.S. Army as a first lieutenant for two years; and

Whereas, Mr. Surovik obtained a law degree from the University of Texas, taught business law at the University of Texas School of Business, is president and shareholder of the Abilene law firm McMahon Surovik Suttle Attorneys; and

Whereas, Mr. Surovik is past president of the Abilene Junior Bar, past member of the State Junior Bar Board of Directors, Outstanding Young Lawyer in the State of Texas (1973), justice of the University of Texas Phi Alpha Delta Legal Fraternity, a Life Fellow of the Texas Bar Foundation, past president of the Abilene Bar Association, past chairman of the State Bar of Texas District 17 Grievance Committee, past chairman of the Abilene Bar Association Criminal Legal Services Committee, member of the Texas Aggie Bar Association Network; and

Whereas, Mr. Surovik is a member of the Abilene Industrial Foundation, past board member of the Abilene First Financial Bank, past chairman of the Community Foundation of Abilene, past vice president of the Abilene Chamber of Commerce Board of Directors, past chairman and trustee of the Abilene Alliance for Women and Children, past member of the Abilene YMCA Board of Directors, past chairman and board member for the Abilene State School Volunteer Council, past board member of the Chisholm Trail Council of Boy Scouts of America, director of the First Financial Bank of Abilene and the Abilene Industrial Foundation, trustee of St. Paul United Methodist Church Foundation, a past trustee for McMurry University; and

Whereas, Mr. Surovik was a member of the 2001-02 Texas A&M University Presidential Search Committee, participated in Vision 2020 planning, is an Endowed Diamond Century Club member and past president of The Association of Former Students, established the Elaine and Bob J. Surovik '58 Excellence Endowment to provide unrestricted support to The Association, generously supports the 12th Man Foundation; and

Whereas, Mr. Surovik will from this day forward be known as a valued partner to Texas A&M University for more than 30 years of generous support, as a contributor to a Foundation Excellence Award in honor of Kay '02 and Jerry '72 Cox, the Corps of Cadets, Singing Cadets, Class of '58, and other Texas A&M University programs, is a member of the A&M Legacy and Heritage Societies, a charter member of the Texas A&M Foundation Planned Giving Council; and

Whereas, Mr. Surovik has served the Texas A&M Foundation's Board of Trustees with distinction for seven years, including two terms as chairman; now, therefore, be it

Resolved, that we, the members of the Board of Regents of The Texas A&M University System gratefully recognize the outstanding dedication and service of Mr. Surovik as a trustee of the Texas A&M Foundation and his lifelong efforts to maintain the excellence that defines Texas A&M University and the Texas A&M Foundation; and, be it, further

Resolved, that this resolution be spread upon the minutes, and copies thereof be signed by the Chairman of the Board of Regents of The Texas A&M University System, and be presented to Mr. Surovik and to the Archives of Texas A&M University as an expression of great appreciation and respect for Mr. Bob J. Surovik '58.

MINUTE ORDER 173-2011 (ITEM 29)

REAPPOINTMENT OF MR. H. JARRELL GIBBS TO THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE PRIVATE ENTERPRISE RESEARCH CENTER, TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY

The Board of Regents of The Texas A&M University System hereby reappoints Mr. H. Jarrell Gibbs to the Board of Directors of the Private Enterprise Research Center, Texas A&M University, for a term of five years.

MINUTE ORDER 174-2011 (ITEM 30)

APPOINTMENT OF LIEUTENANT GENERAL RANDOLPH W. HOUSE AND MR. BRUCE NICHOLS, AND REAPPOINTMENT OF MR. ROSS D. MARGRAVES, JR. AND MR. WAYNE PRESCOTT TO THE TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY AT GALVESTON BOARD OF VISITORS, TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY

The Board of Regents of The Texas A&M University System hereby appoints Lieutenant General Randolph W. House and Mr. Bruce Nichols and reappoints Mr. Ross D. Margraves, Jr. and Mr. Wayne Prescott to the Texas A&M University Board of Visitors for a term of three years each.

MINUTE ORDER 175-2011 (ITEM 31)

APPROVAL OF ACADEMIC TENURE, JULY 2011, 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 **Exhibit L**, Tenure List No. 11-06.

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Dr. Marc Nigliazzo, President of Texas A&M University-Central Texas, presented Item 32. (*Action postponed pending approval of Item 38.*)

Dr. Dan Jones, President of Texas A&M University-Commerce, presented Item 33.

On motion of Regent Schwertner, seconded by Regent Mendoza and by a unanimous vote, the following minute order was approved (176).

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MINUTE ORDER 176-2011 (ITEM 33)

**APPROVAL OF ACADEMIC TENURE, JULY 2011,
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 member at Texas A&M University-Commerce as set forth in **Exhibit M**, Tenure List No. 11-06.

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Dr. Steven Tallant, President of Texas A&M University-Kingsville, presented Item 34.

On motion of Regent Mendoza, seconded by Vice Chairman Adams and by a unanimous vote, the following minute order was approved (177).

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MINUTE ORDER 177-2011 (ITEM 34)

**APPROVAL OF ACADEMIC TENURE, JULY 2011,
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 members at Texas A&M University-Kingsville as set forth in **Exhibit N**, Tenure List No. 11-06.

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Dr. Carlisle Rathburn, President of Texas A&M University-Texarkana, presented Item 35.

On motion of Vice Chairman Adams, seconded by Regent Thomas and by a unanimous vote, the following minute order was approved (178).

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MINUTE ORDER 178-2011 (ITEM 35)

**APPROVAL OF ACADEMIC TENURE, JULY 2011,
TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY-TEXARKANA**

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-Texarkana as set forth in **Exhibit O**, Tenure List No. 11-06.

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Dr. Rod McCallum, Vice President for Academic Affairs at The Texas A&M Health Science Center, presented Item 36.

On motion of Regent White, seconded by Regent Mendoza and by a unanimous vote, the following minute order was approved (179).

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MINUTE ORDER 179-2011 (ITEM 36)

**APPROVAL OF ACADEMIC TENURE, JULY 2011,
THE TEXAS A&M HEALTH SCIENCE CENTER**

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 The Texas A&M University System Health Science Center as set forth in **Exhibit P**, Tenure List No. 11-06.

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Dr. Craig Nessler, Director of Texas AgriLife Research, presented Item 37.

On motion of Regent Adams, seconded by Regent Schwertner and by a unanimous vote, the following minute order was approved (180).

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MINUTE ORDER 180-2011 (ITEM 37)

**APPROVAL FOR DR. YONGHENG HUANG, A SYSTEM EMPLOYEE,
TO SERVE AS AN OFFICER AND MEMBER OF THE
BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF CAMRIS TECHNOLOGIES CORPORATION,
A BUSINESS ENTITY THAT HAS AN AGREEMENT WITH
THE TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY SYSTEM IN WHICH
THE TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY SYSTEM HAS AN OWNERSHIP INTEREST,
TEXAS AGRILIFE RESEARCH**

The Board of Regents of The Texas A&M University System hereby grants approval for Dr. Yongheng Huang, Assistant Professor of Biological and Agricultural Engineering at Texas A&M University with a joint appointment in Texas AgriLife Research, to serve in his individual capacity as an officer and a member of the board of directors of Camris Technologies Corporation, a business entity that has an agreement with The Texas A&M University System relating to the research, development, licensing or exploitation of intellectual property in which the A&M System has an ownership interest.

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Chairman Box presented Items 38 through 42. He said these items were considered in executive session.

On motion of Regent White, seconded by Regent Morgan and by a unanimous vote, the following minute orders were approved (181 through 186).

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MINUTE ORDER 181-2011 (ITEM 38)

**APPOINTMENT OF DR. MARGARET GRAY-VICKREY AS
PROVOST AND VICE PRESIDENT OF ACADEMIC AND STUDENT AFFAIRS,
TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY-CENTRAL TEXAS**

Effective August 1, 2011, Dr. Margaret Gray-Vickrey is hereby appointed Provost and Vice President of Academic and Student Affairs at Texas A&M University-Central Texas at an initial salary of \$172,000 annually.

MINUTE ORDER 182-2011 (ITEM 32)

**APPROVAL OF ACADEMIC TENURE, JULY 2011,
TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY-CENTRAL TEXAS**

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 faculty member at Texas A&M University-Central Texas as set forth in **Exhibit Q**, Tenure List No. 11-06.

MINUTE ORDER 183-2011 (ITEM 39)

**APPOINTMENT OF DR. DENNIS O’NEAL AS DEPUTY DIRECTOR,
TEXAS ENGINEERING EXPERIMENT STATION**

Effective July 22, 2011, Dr. Dennis O’Neal is hereby appointed Deputy Director of the Texas Engineering Experiment Station at an initial salary of \$224,122.80 per year.

MINUTE ORDER 184-2011 (ITEM 40)

**APPOINTMENT OF MR. WILLIAM E. ‘BILL’ OATES AS
ASSOCIATE DIRECTOR FOR FOREST RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT
AND SUSTAINABLE FORESTRY,
TEXAS FOREST SERVICE**

Mr. William E. ‘Bill’ Oates is hereby appointed Associate Director for Forest Resource Development and Sustainable Forestry of the Texas Forest Service of The Texas A&M University System, effective August 1, 2011 at an initial salary of \$124,146.

MINUTE ORDER 185-2011 (ITEM 41)

**APPOINTMENT OF MR. MARK D. STANFORD AS
ASSOCIATE DIRECTOR FOR FOREST RESOURCE PROTECTION,
TEXAS FOREST SERVICE**

Mr. Mark D. Stanford is hereby appointed Associate Director for Forest Resource Protection of the Texas Forest Service of The Texas A&M University System, effective August 1, 2011 at an initial salary of \$120,750.

MINUTE ORDER 186-2011 (ITEM 42)

**AUTHORIZATION FOR THE PRESIDENT TO
EXECUTE EMPLOYMENT CONTRACTS WITH THE
HEAD FOOTBALL COACH, MICHAEL F. SHERMAN,
ASSISTANT FOOTBALL COACH, TIMOTHY DERUYTER,
HEAD STRENGTH COACH, DAVID T. KENNEDY,
ASSISTANT MEN’S BASKETBALL COACH, GLYNN CYPRIEN,
HEAD MEN’S TENNIS COACH, STEVE DENTON, AND
HEAD WOMEN’S GOLF COACH, TRELLE KITE MCCOMBS,
TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY**

Authority is hereby granted to the President of Texas A&M University to execute employment contracts, upon review for legal form and sufficiency by the Office of General Counsel, with

Michael F. Sherman, Head Football Coach,
 Timothy DeRuyter, Assistant Football Coach,
 David T. Kennedy, Head Strength Coach,
 Glynn Cyprien, Assistant Men's Basketball Coach,
 Steve Denton, Head Men's Tennis Coach, and
 Trelle Kite McCombs, Head Women's Golf Coach

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Chairman Box presented Items 43-a through 43-d. On motion of Regent White, seconded by Regent Schwertner and by a unanimous vote, the following minute orders were approved (187 through 190).

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MINUTE ORDER 187-2011 (ITEM 43-a)

**APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES OF THE
 MAY 26, 2011, REGULAR BOARD MEETING AND THE JUNE 22, 2011
 AND JUNE 30, 2011, SPECIAL TELEPHONIC BOARD MEETINGS,
 BOARD OF REGENTS, THE TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY SYSTEM**

The Minutes of the May 26, 2011, Regular Board Meeting and the June 22, 2011 and June 30, 2011 Special Telephonic Board Meetings are hereby approved.

MINUTE ORDER 188-2011 (ITEM 43-b)

**APPROVAL OF FY 2012 HOLIDAY SCHEDULE,
 THE TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY SYSTEM**

Holidays for the fiscal year ending August 31, 2012, for the System Offices of The Texas A&M University System, Texas A&M University, Texas A&M University at Galveston, Texas A&M International University, the Texas Engineering Experiment Station, the Texas Engineering Extension Service, the Texas Transportation Institute, the Texas AgriLife Extension Service (A&M campus employees) and Texas AgriLife Research (A&M campus employees), shall be as follows:

<u>Holiday</u>	<u>Number of Days</u>	<u>Date</u>
Thanksgiving	2	November 24-25, 2011
Christmas – New Year	6	December 23-30, 2011
Martin Luther King, Jr. Day	1	January 16, 2012
Spring Break	2	March 15-16, 2012
Memorial Day	1	May 28, 2012
Independence Day	1	July 4, 2012

Exceptions are established as set forth below:

The proposed holiday schedule for Prairie View A&M University is as follows:

Holiday	Number of Days	Date
Thanksgiving	2	November 24-25, 2011
Christmas – New Year	6	December 23-30, 2011
Martin Luther King, Jr. Day	1	January 16, 2012
Spring Break	1	March 16, 2012
Memorial Day	1	May 28, 2012
Emancipation Day	1	June 19, 2012
Independence Day	1	July 4, 2012

The proposed holiday schedule for Tarleton State University is as follows:

Holiday	Number of Days	Date
Labor Day	1	September 5, 2011
Thanksgiving	2	November 24-25, 2011
Christmas – New Year	6	December 23-30, 2011
Martin Luther King, Jr. Day	1	January 16, 2012
Spring Break	1	March 16, 2012
Memorial Day	1	May 28, 2012
Independence Day	1	July 4, 2012

The proposed holiday schedule for Texas A&M University at Qatar is as follows:

Holiday*	Number of Days	Date
Eid Al-Fitr	3	August 30-September 1, 2011**
Eid Al-Adha	3	November 6-8, 2011
Qatar National Day	1	December 18, 2011
Christmas – New Year	5	December 25-29, 2011
Martin Luther King, Jr. Day	1	January 15, 2012

* Standard workweek is Sunday – Thursday.

** Texas A&M University is required in its agreement with the Qatar Foundation to “abide by the applicable laws and regulations of the State of Qatar, and shall respect the cultural, religious and social customs of the State of Qatar.”

Consequently, the university is required to observe this holiday even though it spans two fiscal years, FY2011 and FY2012. In order to correct this imbalance, the university will observe two fewer days on its holiday schedule during FY2012.

The proposed holiday schedule for Texas A&M University–Central Texas is as follows:

Holiday	Number of Days	Date
Labor Day	1*	September 5, 2011
Veterans Day	1	November 11, 2011
Thanksgiving	2	November 24-25, 2011
Christmas – New Year	6	December 23-30, 2011
Martin Luther King, Jr. Day	1	January 16, 2012
Spring Break	2	March 15-16, 2012
Memorial Day	1*	May 28, 2012
Independence Day	1	July 4, 2012

* Employees will be required to work four, 10-hour days the weeks of September 5-9, 2011 and May 28-June 1, 2012.

The proposed holiday schedule for Texas A&M University–Commerce is as follows:

Holiday	Number of Days	Date
Labor Day	1	September 5, 2011
Thanksgiving	2	November 24-25, 2011
Christmas – New Year	6	December 23-30, 2011
Martin Luther King, Jr. Day	1	January 16, 2012
Spring Break	1	March 16, 2012
Memorial Day	1	May 28, 2012
Independence Day	1	July 4, 2012

The proposed holiday schedule for Texas A&M University–Corpus Christi is as follows:

Holiday	Number of Hours*	Date
Labor Day	08	September 5, 2011
Thanksgiving	14	November 24-25, 2011
Christmas – New Year	52	December 22 (6 hours only)-30, 2011
Martin Luther King, Jr. Day	08	January 16, 2012
Spring Break	06	March 16, 2012
Memorial Day	08	May 28, 2012
Independence Day	08	July 4, 2012

* Texas A&M University–Corpus Christi operates a ten-hour day on Tuesdays and a six hour day on Fridays.

The proposed holiday schedule for Texas A&M University–Kingsville is as follows:

<u>Holiday</u>	<u>Number of Days</u>	<u>Date</u>
Labor Day	1	September 5, 2011
Thanksgiving	2	November 24-25, 2011
Christmas – New Year	6	December 23-30, 2011
Martin Luther King, Jr. Day	1	January 16, 2012
Spring Break	1	March 16, 2012
Memorial Day	1	May 28, 2012
Independence Day	1	July 4, 2012

The proposed holiday schedule for Texas A&M University-San Antonio is as follows:

<u>Holiday</u>	<u>Number of Days</u>	<u>Date</u>
Labor Day	1	September 5, 2011
Thanksgiving	2	November 24-25, 2011
Christmas – New Year	6	December 23-30, 2011
Martin Luther King, Jr. Day	1	January 16, 2012
Spring Break	1	March 12, 2012
Memorial Day	1	May 28, 2012
Independence Day	1	July 4, 2012

The proposed holiday schedule for Texas A&M University–Texarkana is as follows:

<u>Holiday</u>	<u>Number of Days</u>	<u>Date</u>
Labor Day	1	September 5, 2011
Thanksgiving	2	November 24-25, 2011
Christmas – New Year	5	December 26-30, 2011
Martin Luther King, Jr. Day	1	January 16, 2012
Spring Break	3	March 14-16, 2012
Independence Day	1	July 4, 2012

The proposed holiday schedule for West Texas A&M University is as follows:

<u>Holiday</u>	<u>Number of Days</u>	<u>Date</u>
Thanksgiving	2	November 24-25, 2011
Christmas – New Year	6	December 23-30, 2011
Martin Luther King, Jr. Day	1	January 16, 2012
Spring Break	3	March 14-16, 2012
Memorial Day	1*	May 28, 2012
Independence Day	1	July 4, 2012

* WTAMU will work four, 10-hour days the week of May 28-June 1, 2012, in order to be closed on Memorial Day.

Texas Engineering Extension Service employees with the Ras Laffan Emergency & Safety College in Qatar will follow the same schedule as Texas A&M University at Qatar.

The proposed holiday schedules for the Texas Forest Service, Texas Veterinary Medical Diagnostic Laboratory and certain units of Texas AgriLife Research and Texas AgriLife Extension Service are shown on **Exhibit R**.

The proposed holiday schedule for The Texas A&M University System Health Science Center is as follows:

<u>Holiday</u>	<u>Number of Days</u>	<u>Date</u>
Labor Day	1	September 5, 2011
Thanksgiving	2	November 24-25, 2011
Christmas – New Year	7	December 23, 2011 – January 2, 2012
Martin Luther King, Jr. Day	1	January 16, 2012
Memorial Day	1	May 28, 2012
Independence Day	1	July 4, 2012

The Chancellor is hereby authorized to modify the holiday schedule when such a change is deemed to be in the public interest.

MINUTE ORDER 189-2011 (ITEM 43-c)

**GRANTING OF THE TITLE OF EMERITUS/EMERITA, JULY 2011,
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/Emerita” upon the individuals as shown in **Exhibit S**, Emeritus/Emerita Title List No. 11-06, and grants all rights and privileges of this title.

MINUTE ORDER 190-2011 (ITEM 43-d)

**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 **Exhibit T**, attached to the official minutes, subject to their taking the oath required of peace officers.


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**ANNOUNCEMENTS**

Chairman Box announced that the Board would hold a special telephonic meeting on Monday, August 22, 2011, and the next regular meeting was scheduled for November 3-4, 2011.

**ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business, on motion of Regent Schwertner, seconded by Regent Thomas and by a unanimous vote, the meeting was adjourned at 11:11 a.m., July 22, 2011.

Vickie Burt Spillers  
Executive Secretary to the Board

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*(Gwen Kirby, Senior Office Associate, Office of the Board of Regents transcribed these minutes.)*