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**CONVENE**

Chairman Clifton L. Thomas, Jr. convened a regular meeting of the Board of Regents of The Texas A&M University System at 8:31 a.m., Thursday, September 1, 2016, 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. Clifton L. Thomas, Jr. Chairman  
Ms. Elaine Mendoza, Vice Chairman  
Mr. Phil Adams  
Mr. Robert L. Albritton  
Mr. Anthony G. Buzbee  
Mr. Morris E. Foster  
Mr. Bill Mahomes  
Ms. Judy Morgan  
Mr. Charles W. Schwartz  
Ms. Stephanie Y. Martinez, Student Regent

**RECESS TO EXECUTIVE SESSION**

Chairman Thomas 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 8:31 a.m. until 1:45 p.m.)*

**RECONVENE**

At 2:03 p.m., Chairman Thomas reconvened the meeting in open session in the Bethancourt Ballroom of the Memorial Student Center. He said a quorum of the Board was present. He announced that the Board met in executive session from 8:31 a.m. to 1:45 p.m. and considered executive session agenda items and conferred with Chancellor John Sharp, several system and university administrators and system attorneys on personnel, real estate and legal matters.

**INVOCATION**

Chairman Thomas called on Mr. Tyler Wooten '19, a Texas A&M Mechanical Engineering major from Elgin, Texas, who presented the invocation.



### **CHAIRMAN'S REMARKS**

Chairman Thomas thanked everyone for attending the September meeting of the Board of Regents. He welcomed Ms. Stephanie Martinez of Laredo, the new Student Regent appointed by Governor Greg Abbott. Chairman Thomas noted that she was a first-generation college student and the first student regent from Texas A&M International University (TAMIU), where she was pursuing a master's degree after completing her bachelor's in communications.

### **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).

Chairman Thomas announced that one of the exciting initiatives for the A&M System was the redevelopment of the Riverside Campus into the RELLIS Campus.

Chancellor Sharp said it had been a year since the Riverside Campus transferred to the A&M System and four months since they had announced the RELLIS Campus. He explained that this was an innovative concept of combining a research campus, led by System agencies with a collaborative education complex that included participation by the A&M System universities. He said they were moving fast in their plans for the 2,000-acre site in Bryan. Chancellor Sharp advised that Mr. John Barton, Associate Vice Chancellor of Engineering and Director of the RELLIS Campus Development, and Dr. Jim Nelson, Director of Special Academic Initiatives, would brief the Board on the progress and aggressive timeline established. He recognized three guests representing Blinn College -- one of the partners at the RELLIS education center -- who were at the meeting to lend their support to the A&M System's efforts. He introduced Dr. David Sommer, President, Blinn College Board of Trustees, Dr. Mary Hensley, President, Blinn College, and Mr. Mel Waxler, Executive Vice President and General Counsel, Blinn College.

### **PRESENTATION ON RELLIS CAMPUS**

Dr. Nelson presented an update on the RELLIS Campus (copy of which is on file in the Office of the Board of Regents). He said the 2000-acre site, formerly Riverside Campus, was moving fast. He added that their vision was for the campus was to become a high tech, high impact research center, while supporting collaborative education across the entire A&M System. Dr. Nelson said the overall goal and guiding principle was to support world-class workforce development as well as applied research and the transfer of that technology. He advised that at the RELLIS Campus, research opportunities and collaboration could occur among all of the A&M System agencies and educational institutions; the educational aspect; the educational programs that System members were going to bring to the RELLIS Campus in offerings through face-to-face instruction; and possibly the most important, where students were in this vision. He noted that there were opportunities on the academic side, the research side and within the core intersections for students and faculty to have with each other as they build out their respective careers.

Mr. Barton said the RELLIS Campus, originally built as the Bryan Army Air Base and training field for pilots during World War II and the Korean War, was home to many great activities of A&M System institutions and agencies. He reported that in 1962, Texas A&M was given the opportunity to occupy the property for educational and research activities and, in 1982 took ownership of the campus. Mr. Barton explained that many activities on the RELLIS Campus related to research. He said Dr. Dennis Christensen, Director of Texas A&M Transportation Institute (TTI), provided the most thrilling and exciting video presentations because he showed the great crash testing that TTI performed at the campus as one of the many research activities they conducted. He added that the Texas A&M Engineering Extension Service (TEEX) and other state agencies performed workforce development, like the energy sector, private industry certification of linemen and other certifiable areas in the power company industry. Mr. Barton said for the most part -- in terms of potential -- the campus was an underutilized facility.

Mr. Barton reported that the vision Chancellor Sharp and others had developed for the RELLIS Campus was to take full advantage of the property by building on the great things happening and bring new activities to the campus. He said they would expand upon the education they offered students all across the country and around the globe, explore new areas of opportunity within the educational arena, and build on the workforce development and private sector training currently conducted. Mr. Barton added that they wanted to accomplish this in a meaningful way to provide greater opportunities for businesses that needed that rich workforce development of employees. He said in April 2016 the RELLIS Campus vision was shared with the Board of Regents. He advised that on May 2, at a forum and workshop held by TTI, Chancellor Sharp announced the vision for the campus and charged them with moving forward on the campus development. He said shortly after, their partners at Blinn College made a difficult decision to move their activities planned at the FM 2818 and Leonard Road campus to the RELLIS Campus to become a partner in the educational aspects envisioned for the RELLIS Campus. Mr. Barton noted that since that time they had been working on getting projects underway to move forward with this grant initiative. He said the vision of a \$150 million investment had grown to approximately \$300 million in the near term for projects at the campus (that included seven new engineering research facilities and two education campuses).

Mr. Barton announced that the first building to be constructed, the Center for Infrastructure Renewal, would break ground on September 26. He said it was a \$73 million facility, targeted at material science, instructional engineering and other multi-disciplinary engineering aspects. He noted that it would be a world-class facility and would include a new high bay and low bay facility, second to none in the U.S. He said this would allow full scale testing of structural elements and exploration of new ways to improve infrastructure around the globe as they rebuilt bridges, water and sewer treatment plants, and other infrastructure facilities over the next few decades. Mr. Barton explained that Blinn College would break ground on their new campus in February or March 2017. He said this \$30 million project of 70,000 square feet was envisioned to be the first of several planned educational activities at the RELLIS Campus for students. He added that another was the TTI Headquarters and Research Center, a \$75 million office suite with laboratory space, anticipated to break ground in April 2017. Mr. Barton said all facilities (including the Cyber-Physical Center, the Texas A&M Engineering Experiment Station [TEES]

Headquarters & Research Center, the TEEEX Training Facilities, the O'Connor Process Safety Center, the Rowlett Industrial Distribution Center and the Gateway Education Center, Phase I) would be under contract in the next 12-18 months with construction completed and buildings occupied within the next 24-36 months. He advised that in the next two to three years they would improve the northeastern quadrant of campus, and other areas. He said currently approximately 250-300 faculties, students and employees were working on campus, conducting research, education and workforce development. Mr. Barton stated that in the next two to three years, when these facilities were completed, that population would grow to between 3,500 and 5,000 daily. He said they were creating a small town within Bryan through the efforts that the Board was leading and supporting.

Mr. Barton said by early 2017 many projects would be underway and millions of dollars of investments would be under construction. He explained that by December 2016, they anticipated having all necessary planning activities completed in order to move forward with the other facilities. He said in September 2016, they would break ground on the first building and by August 2018, Blinn College would be teaching classes on site, and construction of the Gateway Education Center -- a large part of the initiative -- would begin. Mr. Barton advised that the progress made in 122 days was not possible without a lot of hard work, dedication and effort by many people. He said Mr. Phillip Ray, Vice Chancellor for Business Affairs, and his team, Mr. Russ Wallace, Executive Director, Facilities and Construction, and Mr. Kevin McGinnis, Executive Director, Risk Management & Benefits Administration, had been phenomenal. He noted that the Office of General Counsel, including Mr. Ray Bonilla, General Counsel, and his team, specifically Mr. Ronald Dold, Assistant General Counsel III, and Ms. Gina Joseph, Managing Counsel, Property and Construction, had been incredibly valuable in getting this moved forward. Mr. Barton pointed out that they also received the support of the state agencies that were part of this, and they appreciated their hard work and dedication. He said they had done great things in a short amount of time and looked forward to continuing the development.

Dr. Nelson reported that in looking at the educational programs that were possible and with the interaction of the programs, they had put together an academic model. He said within this model perhaps the most important guiding principle was that what they did at the RELLIS Campus from an educational standpoint would be on a non-competitive basis. Dr. Nelson explained that Blinn College would offer the lower division courses and several A&M System institutions would offer the upper division course work. He emphasized that this kept the cost of education down for the students.

Dr. Nelson said the academic model consisted of going from high school graduation to early workforce training, and from early job opportunities up through working professionals seeking additional education. He noted that the core of this was the academic degree portion. He said Blinn College -- the two-year partner -- had a long relationship with Texas A&M, and would be the predominant provider of lower division courses. Dr. Nelson pointed out that the different A&M System institutions who had elected to offer a degree program at the RELLIS Campus, would offer the upper division course work necessary for the degree. He said the training side of this model was the workforce and skills training of linemen, welders and others that TEEEX had been doing

effectively for a long time. Dr. Nelson advised that a student could obtain a certificate in a high-needs area like welding while working as a welder to offset the cost of that education and, upon graduation, would have a degree and certificate. He said similarly were the advanced certificates for working professionals; a student taking a computer science offering and could stack a certification on top of that which would enable them to work in cyber security with the federal laboratories and federal agencies. He added that this afforded students at the RELLIS Campus opportunities not available elsewhere, and the Gateway Education Center would be a model for the future.

Dr. Nelson announced that Texas A&M University-San Antonio had expressed interest in offering a criminal justice degree at the RELLIS Campus. He said that, with the TEEX police academy training, would allow a student to become a certified police officer, work as a police officer and earn an income while receiving a degree in criminal justice. He added that they could receive a certification for federal agencies or forensic investigation. He said A&M System students on the individual campuses could not accomplish that to the extent they could at the RELLIS Campus. Dr. Nelson emphasized that a student could be acquiring a degree from a System member, minoring at a different System institution, with all coursework recorded on a transcript. However, a lot had to be done for that to happen. He said the partners were all the A&M System members, and all academic institutions were represented on the steering committee and had been actively participating, and many of the agencies.

Dr. Nelson said the timeline for the RELLIS Campus was as follows: ● July 2016 - Steering committee was formed and first met; ● August 2016 - Initial offerings identified and sorted out; ● October 2016 - Begin looking at facility requirements; ● August 2018 - Classes offered for the first time; ● Fall 2017 - Recruiting would begin; ● August 2020 - Move into the Gateway Education Center.

Dr. Nelson reported that in a four-year period they would have gone from nothing to a full-blown collaborative academic enterprise.

Regent Morgan asked where the students would go until the Gateway Education Center opened. Dr. Nelson said there were working on some facilities. He added that the Riverside Campus was originally barracks and some renovation would be required to use those facilities effectively for the early courses. He said with Blinn College being ready to open, there might also be some sharing of facilities.

### **RECESS AND RECONVENE**

Chairman Thomas recessed the meeting at 2:35 p.m.

*(Note: The Committee on Audit convened on Wednesday, August 31 at 2:08 p.m. and adjourned at 3:24 p.m. Earlier the same day, the Committee on Finance convened at 2:35 p.m. and adjourned at 2:38 p.m. The Committee on Buildings and Physical Plant convened at 2:39 p.m. and adjourned at 3:21 p.m.)*

Chairman Thomas reconvened the meeting at 3:21 p.m.

**REPORT FROM THE COMMITTEE ON FINANCE**

Regent Schwartz, Chairman of the Committee on Finance, said the committee met earlier and considered Items 1.1 and 1.2. He added that the committee recommended Board approval of these items.

On motion of Regent Adams, seconded by Vice Chairman Mendoza, and by a unanimous vote, the following minute orders were approved (135 and 136):

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**MINUTE ORDER 135-2016 (ITEM 1.1)**

**ADOPTION OF A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING  
THE ISSUANCE OF THE BOARD OF REGENTS  
OF THE TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY SYSTEM  
PERMANENT UNIVERSITY FUND BONDS,  
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, substantially in the form of the attached exhibit, 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 136-2016 (ITEM 1.2)**

**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 the attached exhibit, 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.

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**REPORT FROM THE COMMITTEE ON AUDIT**

Regent Morgan, Chairman of the Committee on Audit, said the committee met on August 31 and received several reports and updates including the Monthly Audit Report, the Audit Tracking Report and management's response to the Audit Tracking Report. She added that the committee approved Item 2.1 as presented.

On motion of Regent Mahomes, seconded by Vice Chairman Mendoza, and by a unanimous vote, the following minute order was approved (137):

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**MINUTE ORDER 137-2016 (ITEM 2.1)****APPROVAL OF SYSTEM INTERNAL AUDIT PLAN  
FOR FISCAL YEAR 2017,  
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 2017, a copy of which is attached to the official minutes.

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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, said the committee met on August 31. She added that the committee received a great presentation and dialogue from Mr. Mike Morath, Commissioner, Texas Education Agency. She said prior to the committee meeting, Commissioner Morath met with the A&M System's deans of the colleges of education to discuss two major areas where he felt they could make a difference in Pre-K 12. Vice Chairman Mendoza reported that in particular were partnerships, noting the success of Texas A&M University-Kingsville, their working relationship with the Premont Independent School District and the success they have had. She said Texas A&M-Kingsville was a model to challenge each of the A&M System universities to adopt a low-performing school district to see where they could help improve student education attainment in each of these districts. She noted that the second item discussed was educator preparation which the committee had been focused on to ensure they were producing the best educators possible for Texas. She said Commissioner Morath emphasized those two key areas and appreciated the A&M System's work in that regard.

Vice Chairman Mendoza reported that Dr. Tim Letzring, Dean of the College of Education and Human Services at Texas A&M University-Commerce, presented to the committee what the deans heard from Commissioner Morath, and some of their plans to ensure they were pushing the envelope in Pre-K 12 education and the System's role and responsibility to that.

Vice Chairman Mendoza said next on the agenda was discussion of the rollout of the redesign of the EmpowerU website by Dr. James Hallmark, Vice Chancellor for Academic Affairs, and Mr. Reeve Hamilton, Executive Director, Media Relations. She added that the website was more user-friendly and thanked Dr. Hallmark, Mr. Hamilton and the entire communications team for their work on the website. She said they also discussed new analytics metrics to be added to the website. Vice Chairman Mendoza advised that the new analytics metrics were discussed at the February committee meeting and they looked at some of the data sets. She said first, second and third year persistence rates would be loaded onto the website, looking at the 30/60 hours toward the degree. She noted that they were trying to figure out the best way to measure that for each student. Vice Chairman Mendoza said linking students' graduation to salary data was also coming forward and they were working out issues related to that. She reported that they also discussed student debt, how that was measured and what it meant. She said they were looking for good data about how much debt the A&M System students were leaving. Vice Chairman Mendoza thanked Student Regent Martinez for pitching in and helping them to understand that issue.

Vice Chairman Mendoza reported that they discussed what they were doing in November. She said they would receive a report on faculty salaries by Dr. Karan Watson, Provost and Executive Vice President, and the committee she was leading about what they could do to attract and retain the best faculty moving forward. She emphasized that the committee was looking forward to additional updates on analytics projects.

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

Regent Adams said the committee met earlier and approved Items 3.1 through 3.10 as presented.

On motion of Regent Adams, seconded by Regent Morgan, and by a unanimous vote, the following minute orders were approved (138 through 147):

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### **MINUTE ORDER 138-2016 (ITEM 3.1)**

#### **APPROVAL OF THE SYSTEM CAPITAL PLAN FOR FY 2017 – FY 2021, THE TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY SYSTEM**

The system capital plan for FY 2017 – FY 2021, as shown in the attached exhibit, is approved and authorization to appropriate up to 10 percent of the planning amount indicated for all FY 2017 proposed projects is granted. In addition, the appropriation of PUF and RFS funding is approved for FY 2017 minor construction, rehabilitation/renovation, and equipment/software procurement projects administered by the institutions or System Facilities Planning and Construction.

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 that the system capital plan identifies projects for financing through the issuance of parity obligations secured by and payable from revenues of 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 parity obligations are issued, possess the financial capacity to satisfy their direct obligations after taking into account such proposed additional Revenue Financing System parity obligations as are identified in the system capital plan.

**MINUTE ORDER 139-2016 (ITEM 3.2)**

**APPROVAL OF THE PROJECT SCOPE AND BUDGET, APPROPRIATION  
FOR PRE-CONSTRUCTION AND CONSTRUCTION SERVICES, AND  
APPROVAL FOR PRE-CONSTRUCTION AND CONSTRUCTION FOR  
THE RELLIS CAMPUS INFRASTRUCTURE PROJECT (01-3228),  
THE TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY SYSTEM RELLIS CAMPUS, BRYAN, TEXAS,  
THE TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY SYSTEM**

The project scope along with a project budget of \$49,200,000 for the RELLIS Campus Infrastructure Project is approved.

The amount of \$49,200,000 is appropriated from Account No. 01-083538, Revenue Financing System Debt Proceeds (Available University Fund and Other), for pre-construction and construction services and related project costs.

The RELLIS Campus Infrastructure Project, The Texas A&M University System RELLIS Campus, Bryan, Texas, is approved for pre-construction services and 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 140-2016 (ITEM 3.3)**

**APPROVAL OF THE PROJECT SCOPE AND BUDGET, APPROPRIATION FOR CONSTRUCTION SERVICES, AND APPROVAL FOR CONSTRUCTION FOR THE JOINT LIBRARY FACILITY MODULE 2 PROJECT (02-3193), THE TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY SYSTEM RELLIS CAMPUS, BRYAN, TEXAS, THE TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY SYSTEM**

The project scope along with a project budget of \$5,500,000 for the Joint Library Facility Module 2 Project is approved.

The amount of \$3,250,000 is appropriated from Account No. 02-806305, Joint Library, the amount of \$1,200,000 is appropriated from Account No. 02-290227, Joint Library Facility Project, and the amount of \$500,000 is appropriated from Account No. 02-242406, Joint Library Facility, for construction services and related project costs.

The Joint Library Facility Module 2 Project, The Texas A&M University System RELLIS Campus, Bryan, Texas, is approved for construction.

**MINUTE ORDER 141-2016 (ITEM 3.4)**

**APPROVAL OF THE PROJECT SCOPE AND BUDGET, APPROPRIATION FOR CONSTRUCTION SERVICES, AND APPROVAL FOR CONSTRUCTION FOR THE MCALLEN MULTIPURPOSE ACADEMIC BUILDING PROJECT (02-3212), TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY HIGHER EDUCATION CENTER, MCALLEN, TEXAS, THE TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY SYSTEM**

The project scope along with a project budget of \$40,000,000 for the McAllen Multipurpose Academic Building Project is approved.

The amount of \$26,000,000 is appropriated from Account No. 01-085560 Permanent University Fund Debt Proceeds (AUF), and the amount of \$10,000,000 is appropriated from Account No. 01-810272, McAllen Multipurpose Academic Facility, for construction services and related project costs.

The McAllen Multipurpose Academic Building Project, Texas A&M University Higher Education Center, McAllen, Texas, is approved for construction subject to approval of a Higher Education Center in McAllen by the Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board.

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 142-2016 (ITEM 3.5)**

**APPROVAL OF THE PROJECT SCOPE AND BUDGET, APPROPRIATION  
FOR CONSTRUCTION SERVICES, AND APPROVAL FOR CONSTRUCTION  
FOR THE FABRICATION CENTER PROJECT (05-3198),  
PRAIRIE VIEW A&M UNIVERSITY, PRAIRIE VIEW, TEXAS,  
THE TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY SYSTEM**

The project scope along with a project budget of \$17,158,000 for the Fabrication Center Project is approved.

The amount of \$14,500,000 is appropriated from Account No. 01-083536, Revenue Financing System Debt Proceeds (Tuition Revenue Bonds), and the amount of \$2,158,000 is appropriated from Account No. 01-084243, Permanent University Fund Debt Proceeds (Available University Fund), for construction services and related project costs. The amount of \$1,215,800 is reverted from Account No. 05-220784, Designated Tuition Reserve Single Use Funds.

The Fabrication Center 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 143-2016 (ITEM 3.6)**

**APPROVAL OF THE PROJECT SCOPE AND BUDGET,  
APPROPRIATION FOR CONSTRUCTION SERVICES, AND  
APPROVAL FOR CONSTRUCTION FOR THE ACADEMIC BUILDING  
COMPLEX PHASE II AND INFRASTRUCTURE PROJECT (10-3197),  
TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY AT GALVESTON, GALVESTON, TEXAS,  
THE TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY SYSTEM**

The project scope along with a project budget of \$56,280,000 for the Academic Building Complex Phase II and Infrastructure Project is approved.

The amount of \$50,540,000 is appropriated from Account No. 01-083536, Revenue System Financing Debt Proceeds (Tuition Revenue Bonds), for construction services and related project costs.

The Academic Building Complex Phase II and Infrastructure Project, Texas A&M University at Galveston, Galveston, 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 144-2016 (ITEM 3.7)**

**APPROVAL OF THE PROJECT SCOPE AND BUDGET,  
APPROPRIATION FOR CONSTRUCTION SERVICES, AND APPROVAL  
FOR CONSTRUCTION FOR THE LIFE SCIENCES RESEARCH  
AND ENGINEERING BUILDING – PHASE I PROJECT (15-3188),  
TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY-CORPUS CHRISTI, CORPUS CHRISTI, TEXAS,  
THE TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY SYSTEM**

The project scope along with a project budget of \$60,000,000 for the Life Sciences Research and Engineering Building – Phase I Project is approved.

The amount of \$60,000,000 is appropriated from Account No. 01-083536, Revenue Financing System Debt Proceeds (Tuition Revenue Bonds), for construction

services and related project costs. The amount of \$3,700,000 is reverted to Account No. 15-834580, Life Sciences and Research Planning.

The Life Sciences Research and Engineering Building – Phase I Project, Texas A&M University-Corpus Christi, Corpus Christi, 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 145-2016 (ITEM 3.8)**

**APPROVAL OF THE PROJECT SCOPE AND BUDGET,  
APPROPRIATION FOR PRE-CONSTRUCTION AND CONSTRUCTION  
SERVICES, AND APPROVAL FOR CONSTRUCTION FOR THE  
RUDDER HALL HVAC PROJECT (2015-05024),  
TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY, COLLEGE STATION, TEXAS,  
TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY**

The project scope along with a project budget of \$6,830,500 for the Rudder Hall HVAC Project is approved.

The amount of \$6,830,500 is appropriated from Account No. 01-083536, Revenue Financing System Debt Proceeds (Housing Revenue) for pre-construction and construction services and related project costs.

The Rudder Hall HVAC 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 146-2016 (ITEM 3.9)**

**APPROVAL OF THE PROJECT SCOPE AND BUDGET,  
APPROPRIATION FOR PRE-CONSTRUCTION AND CONSTRUCTION  
SERVICES, AND APPROVAL FOR CONSTRUCTION FOR THE  
RE-IMAGINE THE LIBRARIES, PHASE 3 PROJECT (2014-04428),  
TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY, COLLEGE STATION, TEXAS,  
TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY**

The project scope along with a project budget of \$7,300,000 for the Re-Imagine the Libraries, Phase 3 Project is approved.

The amount of \$6,600,000 is appropriated from Account No. 02-242406-16000 for pre-construction and construction services and related project costs.

The Re-Imagine the Libraries, Phase 3 Project, Texas A&M University, College Station, Texas, is approved for construction.

**MINUTE ORDER 147-2016 (ITEM 3.10)**

**APPROVAL OF THE PROJECT SCOPE AND BUDGET, APPROPRIATION FOR  
PRE-CONSTRUCTION AND CONSTRUCTION SERVICES, AND APPROVAL  
FOR CONSTRUCTION FOR THE ENGINEERING RENOVATION PHASE II  
PROJECT (WT-1943), WEST TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY, CANYON, TEXAS,  
WEST TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY**

The project scope along with a project budget of \$6,000,000 for the Engineering Renovation Phase II Project is approved.

The amount of \$6,000,000 is appropriated from Account No. 01-083536, Revenue Financing System Debt Proceeds, (HEF), for pre-construction and construction services and related project costs.

The Engineering Renovation Phase II 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.

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**ADDITIONAL ITEMS CONSIDERED BY THE BOARD**

Dr. Watson presented Items 5.1 through 5.3.

On motion of Regent Morgan, seconded by Vice Chairman Mendoza, and by a unanimous vote, the following minute orders were approved (148 through 150):

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**MINUTE ORDER 148-2016 (ITEM 5.1)**

**APPROVAL FOR DR. RAIMUND J. OBER, A SYSTEM EMPLOYEE, TO  
SERVE AS AN OFFICER, MEMBER OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS  
AND EMPLOYEE OF ASTERO TECHNOLOGIES LLC, AN ENTITY  
THAT PROPOSES TO LICENSE TECHNOLOGY FROM  
THE TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY SYSTEM,  
TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY**

The Board of Regents of The Texas A&M University System approves for Dr. Raimund J. Ober, 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 Astero Technologies LLC, an entity that proposes to license technology from 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. Ober.

**MINUTE ORDER 149-2016 (ITEM 5.2)**

**APPROVAL FOR DR. XIAOMIN YANG, 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 Dr. Xiaomin Yang, Senior Licensing Manager, 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 150-2016 (ITEM 5.3)**

**APPROVAL FOR DR. RAVIKUMAR MAJETI, A SYSTEM EMPLOYEE,  
TO SERVE AS AN EMPLOYEE OF PERORAL THERAPEUTICS LLC,  
A BUSINESS ENTITY THAT HAS ENTERED INTO AN  
EXCLUSIVE OPTION TO LICENSE TECHNOLOGY  
FROM THE TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY SYSTEM,  
TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY**

The Board of Regents of The Texas A&M University System approves for Dr. Ravikumar Majeti, a Texas A&M University employee within the Texas A&M University Health Science Center, to serve, in his individual capacity, as an employee of Peroral Therapeutics LLC, an entity that has entered into an exclusive option to license technology from 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. Majeti.

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Chairman Thomas presented Items 5.4 through 5.21 (considered in executive session).

On motion of Vice Chairman Mendoza, seconded by Regent Adams, and by a unanimous vote, the following minute orders were approved (151 through 168):

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**MINUTE ORDER 151-2016 (ITEM 5.4)****AUTHORIZATION TO NEGOTIATE AND EXECUTE A  
GROUND LEASE FOR CONSTRUCTION OF AN ACADEMIC  
AND RELATED SUPPORT SERVICES FACILITY(IES)  
BY BLINN COLLEGE ON THE RELLIS CAMPUS,  
THE TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY SYSTEM**

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 Blinn College for construction of an academic and related support services facility(ies) on the RELLIS Campus of The Texas A&M University System, and to take any and all additional action, and execute any and all ancillary documents, deemed necessary to consummate the transaction.

**MINUTE ORDER 152-2016 (ITEM 5.5)****AUTHORIZATION TO LEASE FROM THE CITY OF MCALLEN  
APPROXIMATELY 100 ACRES AND THE CITY'S UNDIVIDED INTEREST  
IN A MULTIPURPOSE ACADEMIC BUILDING TO BE CONSTRUCTED  
ON THE LAND BY THE TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY SYSTEM WITH  
CONSTRUCTION FUNDED IN PART BY THE CITY OF MCALLEN,  
TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY**

The Chancellor of The Texas A&M University System, or designee, following approval for legal sufficiency by the Office of General Counsel and approval from the Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board to establish a Texas A&M University higher education center in McAllen, is authorized to negotiate, execute and deliver a lease with the City of McAllen for approximately 100 acres of land and for the City's undivided ownership interest in a multipurpose academic building to be constructed on the land with a financial contribution from the City in the amount of \$10 million, and to execute any and all other documents and take any and all other actions deemed necessary to consummate the transactions.

**MINUTE ORDER 153-2016 (ITEM 5.6)****AUTHORIZATION TO GRANT A CONDITIONAL  
ROADWAY EASEMENT ON THE MOMENTUM CAMPUS  
TO THE TEXAS DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION,  
TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY-CORPUS CHRISTI**

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 conditional roadway easement for improvements to the intersection of Ennis Joslin Road and Islander Way on the Momentum Campus of Texas A&M University-Corpus Christi. This easement will remain in effect so long as the property is used as a roadway.



**MINUTE ORDER 154-2016 (ITEM 5.7)**

**AUTHORIZATION TO LEASE  
APPROXIMATELY 48,000 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 48,000 square feet of office space at 7607 Eastmark Drive in College Station, Texas, for use by Texas A&M Engineering Experiment Station and the Vice Chancellor and Dean of Engineering.

**MINUTE ORDER 155-2016 (ITEM 5.8)**

**AUTHORIZATION TO EXECUTE A  
WORKING FOREST CONSERVATION EASEMENT COVERING  
7,000 ACRES, MORE OR LESS, OF PRIVATELY-OWNED  
FOREST LAND IN ANDERSON COUNTY, TEXAS,  
TEXAS A&M FOREST 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 execute a Working Forest Conservation Easement covering 7,000 acres, more or less, of forest land owned by The Conservation Fund in Anderson County, Texas.

**MINUTE ORDER 156-2016 (ITEM 5.9)**

**APPOINTMENT OF DR. WALTER V. WENDLER AS  
PRESIDENT OF WEST TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY,  
THE TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY SYSTEM**

Effective September 1, 2016, Dr. Walter V. Wendler is hereby appointed president of West Texas A&M University, at an initial salary of \$335,265.

**MINUTE ORDER 157-2016 (ITEM 5.10)**

**APPOINTMENT OF DR. VIMALA PILLARI AS  
DEAN OF THE COLLEGE OF HEALTH SCIENCES AND HUMAN SERVICES,  
TARLETON STATE UNIVERSITY**

Effective immediately, Dr. Vimala Pillari is hereby appointed Dean of the College of Health Sciences and Human Services at Tarleton State University, at an initial salary of \$190,000.

**MINUTE ORDER 158-2016 (ITEM 5.11)**

**APPOINTMENT OF DR. JAMES O’MEARA AS  
DEAN OF THE COLLEGE OF EDUCATION,  
TEXAS A&M INTERNATIONAL UNIVERSITY**

Effective immediately, Dr. James O’Meara is hereby appointed Dean of the College of Education at Texas A&M International University, at an initial salary of \$155,000.

**MINUTE ORDER 159-2016 (ITEM 5.12)**

**AUTHORIZATION FOR THE PRESIDENT  
TO NEGOTIATE AND EXECUTE NEW EMPLOYMENT CONTRACTS  
FOR TRELLE MCCOMBS AS HEAD WOMEN’S GOLF COACH,  
STEVE DENTON AS HEAD MEN’S TENNIS COACH, ULRIC MALIGI  
AND ISSAC CHEW AS ASSISTANT MEN’S BASKETBALL COACHES,  
AND ROB CHILDRESS AS HEAD MEN’S BASEBALL COACH,  
TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY**

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

Head Women’s Golf Coach – Trelle McCombs  
Head Men’s Tennis Coach – Steve Denton  
Assistant Men’s Basketball Coach – Ulric Maligi  
Assistant Men’s Basketball Coach – Isaac Chew  
Head Men’s Baseball Coach – Rob Childress.

**MINUTE ORDER 160-2016 (ITEM 5.13)**

**APPOINTMENT OF DR. EDWARD L. HILL, JR. AS  
DEAN OF THE COLLEGE OF EDUCATION,  
TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY-CENTRAL TEXAS**

Effective immediately, Dr. Edward L. Hill, Jr. is hereby appointed Dean of the College of Education at Texas A&M University-Central Texas, at an initial salary of \$134,000.

**MINUTE ORDER 161-2016 (ITEM 5.14)**

**APPOINTMENT OF DR. TABETHA ADKINS-SHATO AS  
DEAN OF UNIVERSITY COLLEGE,  
TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY-COMMERCE**

Effective immediately, Dr. Tabetha Adkins-Shato is hereby appointed Dean of University College at Texas A&M University-Commerce, at an initial salary of \$87,500.

**MINUTE ORDER 162-2016 (ITEM 5.15)**

**APPOINTMENT OF DR. DOLORES GUERRERO AS  
DEAN OF THE COLLEGE OF ARTS AND SCIENCES,  
TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY-KINGSVILLE**

Effective immediately, Dr. Dolores Guerrero is hereby appointed Dean of the College of Arts and Sciences at Texas A&M University-Kingsville at an initial salary of \$185,000.

**MINUTE ORDER 163-2016 (ITEM 5.16)**

**APPOINTMENT OF DR. RAAJKUMAR S. KURAPATI AS  
VICE PRESIDENT FOR FINANCE AND CHIEF FINANCIAL OFFICER,  
TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY-KINGSVILLE**

Effective immediately, Mr. Raajkumar S. Kurapati is hereby appointed Vice President for Finance and Chief Financial Officer at Texas A&M University-Kingsville, at an initial salary of \$230,000.

**MINUTE ORDER 164-2016 (ITEM 5.17)**

**APPOINTMENT OF DR. MICHAEL J. O'BRIEN AS  
VICE PRESIDENT FOR ACADEMIC AFFAIRS AND PROVOST,  
TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY-SAN ANTONIO**

Effective immediately, Dr. Michael J. O'Brien is hereby appointed Vice President for Academic Affairs and Provost at Texas A&M University-San Antonio, at an initial salary of \$210,000.

**MINUTE ORDER 165-2016 (ITEM 5.18)**

**APPOINTMENT OF DR. DELBERT D. DOUGHTY II AS  
DEAN OF THE COLLEGE OF EDUCATION AND LIBERAL ARTS,  
TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY-TEXARKANA**

Effective immediately, Dr. Delbert D. Doughty II is hereby appointed Dean of the College of Education and Liberal Arts at Texas A&M University-Texarkana, at an initial salary of \$140,000.

**MINUTE ORDER 166-2016 (ITEM 5.19)**

**APPOINTMENT OF MS. KATHY WILLIAMS AS  
VICE PRESIDENT FOR STUDENT ENROLLMENT,  
ENGAGEMENT, AND SUCCESS,  
TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY-TEXARKANA**

Effective immediately, Ms. Kathy Williams is hereby appointed Vice President for Student Enrollment, Engagement, and Success at Texas A&M University-Texarkana, at an initial salary of \$121,000.

**MINUTE ORDER 167-2016 (ITEM 5.20)**

**APPOINTMENT OF  
DR. A.L. NARASIMHA ANNAPAREDDY (REDDY) AS  
ASSOCIATE AGENCY DIRECTOR FOR  
STRATEGIC INITIATIVES AND CENTERS,  
TEXAS A&M ENGINEERING EXPERIMENT STATION**

Effective immediately, Dr. A.L. Narasimha Annapareddy (Reddy) is hereby appointed Associate Agency Director for Strategic Initiatives and Centers for the Texas A&M Engineering Experiment Station, at an initial salary of \$264,874.

**MINUTE ORDER 168-2016 (ITEM 5.21)**

**APPOINTMENT OF MR. VINCENT SCOTT RIGGINS AS  
ASSOCIATE AGENCY DIRECTOR,  
TEXAS A&M ENGINEERING EXTENSION SERVICE**

Effective September 1, 2016, Mr. Vincent Scott Riggins is hereby appointed Associate Agency Director at Texas A&M Engineering Extension Service, at an initial salary of \$146,130.

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**CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS**

Chairman Thomas presented Items 6.1 through 6.49.

On motion of Regent Mahomes, seconded by Regent Morgan, and by a unanimous vote, the following minute orders were approved (169 through 217):

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**MINUTE ORDER 169-2016 (ITEM 6.1)**

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES FROM THE  
MARCH 1-2, 2016, SPECIAL WORKSHOP MEETING;  
APRIL 27, 2016, REGULAR BOARD MEETING;  
APRIL 28, 2016, SPECIAL WORKSHOP MEETING;  
MAY 26, 2016, SPECIAL TELEPHONIC MEETING;  
AUGUST 5, 2016, SPECIAL TELEPHONIC MEETING;  
BOARD OF REGENTS, THE TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY SYSTEM**

The Minutes of the March 1-2, 2016, Special Workshop Meeting; the April 27, 2016, Regular Board Meeting; the April 28, 2016, Special Workshop Meeting; the May 26, 2016, Special Telephonic Meeting; and the August 5, 2016, Special Telephonic Meeting are hereby approved.

**MINUTE ORDER 170-2016 (ITEM 6.2)**

**APPROVAL OF LIST OF AUTHORIZED SIGNERS FOR  
REVOLVING FUND BANK ACCOUNTS FOR SYSTEM MEMBERS,  
THE TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY SYSTEM**

Under the authority of the General Appropriations Act, and effective immediately, the employees of The Texas A&M University System members named below, and their successors in office, are hereby authorized to sign checks for the withdrawal of such funds according to law.

Source of Funds: Institutional Funds (or Qatar Foundation as indicated)

Depository Bank: Wells Fargo Bank, N.A. (or Commercial Bank-Qatar as indicated)

1. **THE TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY SYSTEM**

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

Employees authorized to sign checks:

Maria L. Robinson, Chief Investment Officer and Treasurer

Elaine N. Welch, Manager, Banking/Investment Operations

Cindy L. Hanks, Manager, Finance

All Texas A&M University Signers listed below

2. **TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY**

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

Employees authorized to sign checks:

Gary W. Barnes, Associate Vice President for Finance and Controller  
Debbie Phair, Director, Financial Management Operations  
Phillip Guillen, Director, Departmental Accounting Services  
Verna Fritsche, Director of Accounting Services  
Janet Guillory, Assistant Controller  
Linda Kettler, Assistant Director, Financial Management Operations

TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY HEALTH SCIENCE CENTER

Revolving Fund portion not to exceed \$7,500,000

Employees authorized to sign checks:

All Texas A&M University Signers listed above

TEXAS A&M SYSTEM – SHARED SERVICES CENTER

Employees authorized to sign checks:

All Texas A&M University Signers listed above

TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY AT GALVESTON

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

Employees authorized to sign checks:

All Texas A&M University Signers listed above

Susan Hernandez Lee, Vice President for Finance

TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY AT QATAR

Source of Funds – Qatar Foundation

Depository Bank – Commercial Bank - Qatar

Employees authorized to sign checks:

Gary Barnes, Associate Vice President for Finance and Administration and Controller,  
Texas A&M University

Janet Guillory, Assistant Controller, Texas A&M University

Joseph P. Pettibon II, Associate Vice President for Academic Services, Texas A&M  
University

Cesar O. Malave, Dean, Texas A&M University at Qatar

Eyad Masad, Vice Dean, Texas A&M University at Qatar

Rosalie Nickles, Assistant Dean for Finance and Administration, Texas A&M University at  
Qatar

Hassan Bazzi, Assistant Dean for Research, Texas A&M University at Qatar

Troy Bickham, Assistant Dean for Academic and Student Services, Texas A&M University  
at Qatar

Jean Laird, Director of Human Resources, Texas A&M University at Qatar

3. TARLETON STATE UNIVERSITY

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

Employees authorized to sign checks:

Tye Minckler, Vice President for Finance and Administration

Lori L. Beaty, Assistant Vice President for Finance and Administration/Controller

Vacant, Director of Financial Accounting Services/Assistant Controller

George Hoke, Sr. Manager, Student Account Services –ACH/Wire Transfer only

Karen Fincher, Manager of Budget Services

Jo Anna Ince, Manager of Accounting Operations

Frances Blair, Financial Accountant – ACH/Wire Transfer only

Christina Dunagan, Student Account Specialist III –ACH/Wire Transfer only

Angie Chabina, Student Account Specialist II – ACH/Wire Transfer only

4. PRAIRIE VIEW A&M UNIVERSITY

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

Employees authorized to sign checks:

Corey S. Bradford, Senior Vice President for Business Affairs  
Rod Mireles, Associate Vice President for Financial Administration  
Cozette Turner, Director of Accounting Services  
Dianne Evans, Director of Budgets  
Equilla Jackson, Director of Treasury Services – ACH/Wire Transfer only  
Martha Ewane, Assist. Director of Treasury Services –ACH/Wire Transfer only  
Stephanie Redd, Staff Accountant I – ACH/Wire Transfer only  
Ashok Baweja, Staff Accountant – ACH/Wire Transfer only

5. TEXAS A&M AGRILIFE RESEARCH

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

Employees authorized to sign checks:

Craig Nessler, Director  
Bill McCutchen, Executive Associate Director  
Steve Schulze, Assistant Vice Chancellor for Administration  
Deanie Dudley, Assistant Dean, College of Agriculture and Life Sciences  
Debra Cummings, Assistant Director and Chief Financial Officer, Texas A&M AgriLife Research  
Donna Alexander, Assistant Director and Chief Financial Officer, Texas A&M AgriLife Extension Service  
Vic S. Seidel, Assistant Agency Director, Texas A&M Veterinary Medical Diagnostic Laboratory  
Shiao-Yen Ko, Manager of Accounting Services  
Loree Lewis, Coordinator of Management Information  
Kim Payne, Assistant Financial Manager  
William Gray, Risk and Compliance Coordinator

6. TEXAS A&M AGRILIFE EXTENSION SERVICE

Revolving Fund portion not to exceed \$3,500,000

Employees authorized to sign checks:

Douglas L. Steele, Director  
Steve Schulze, Assistant Vice Chancellor for Administration  
Deanie Dudley, Assistant Dean, College of Agriculture and Life Sciences  
Donna Alexander, Assistant Director and Chief Financial Officer,  
Texas A&M AgriLife Extension Service  
Debra Cummings, Assistant Director and Chief Financial Officer, Texas A&M AgriLife Research  
Vic S. Seidel, Assistant Agency Director, Texas A&M Veterinary Medical Diagnostic Laboratory  
Shiao-Yen Ko, Manager of Accounting Services  
Loree Lewis, Coordinator of Management Information  
Kim Payne, Assistant Financial Manager  
William Gray, Risk and Compliance Coordinator

7. TEXAS A&M ENGINEERING EXPERIMENT STATION

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

Employees authorized to sign checks:

Margaret K. Banks, Vice Chancellor and Dean of Engineering,  
Director, Texas Engineering Experiment Station  
John Crawford, Assistant Vice Chancellor for Business Management and Chief Financial  
Officer  
Andrew B. Hinton, Manager of Fiscal Services and Controller  
Ron Edwards, Deputy Controller  
Karen Gregory, Assistant Controller  
Marsa McKee, Financial Manager  
Adrienne Person, Assistant Financial Manager

TEXAS A&M ENGINEERING EXPERIMENT STATION at QATAR

Source of Funds – Qatar Foundation

Depository Bank – Commercial Bank - Qatar

Employees authorized to sign checks:

John Crawford, Assistant Vice Chancellor for Business Management and Chief Financial  
Officer, Texas A&M Engineering Experiment Station  
Andrew B. Hinton, Manager of Fiscal Services and Controller,  
Texas A&M Engineering Experiment Station  
Eyad Masad, Vice Dean, Texas A&M University at Qatar  
Hassan Bazzi, Associate Dean for Research, Texas A&M University at Qatar

8. TEXAS A&M ENGINEERING EXTENSION SERVICE

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

Employees authorized to sign checks:

Robert Todd, Associate Agency Director and Chief Financial Officer  
Brian Stipe, Manager of Financial Services  
Dianne Smith, Financial Manager  
Carolyn Abt, Assistant Financial Manager  
Sandra McKemie, Financial Manager – ACH/Wire Transfer only

9. TEXAS A&M FOREST SERVICE

Revolving Fund portion not to exceed \$3,500,000

Employees authorized to sign checks:

Tom G. Boggus, Director  
Robby DeWitt, Associate Director for Finance and Administration  
Travis Zamzow, Budgets and Accounting Department Head  
Madelyn Galloway, Policy and Review Coordinator  
Claudia Dominguez, Financial Accounting Coordinator

10. TEXAS A&M TRANSPORTATION INSTITUTE

Revolving Fund portion not to exceed \$550,000

Employees authorized to sign checks:

Joseph Dunn, Assistant Agency Director  
Rodney Horrell, Assistant Chief Financial Officer  
Marie Ethridge, Director of Accounting and Controller  
Tyler Theobald, Financial Manager Supervisor I  
Elissa Munoz, Financial Accountant II



TEXAS A&M TRANSPORTATION INSTITUTE at QATAR

Source of Funds – Qatar Foundation

Depository Bank – Commercial Bank - Qatar

Employees authorized to sign checks:

Joseph Dunn, Assistant Agency Director

Rodney Horrell, Assistant Chief Financial Officer

11. TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY-CORPUS CHRISTI

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

Employees authorized to sign checks:

Flavius C. Killebrew, President

Terry Tatum, Executive Vice President for Finance and Administration

Judy Harral, Executive Director of Administrative Services

Rebecca Torres, Comptroller

Jaclyn Mahlmann, Director of Budgets

Yolanda Castorena, Assistant Comptroller and Director of Accounting

Will Hobart, Director of Procurement and Disbursements

Sonia Hernandez, Director of Advancement Services

Ida Moreno, Accountant III

Cassie Eyring, Accountant III

Tamara Freed, Accountant III

Eliza Garcia, Accountant II

Ebony Lotts, Coordinator, Advancement Services

Wei Ting Liang-Myers, Gift Processor II

Suzanne Gonzalez, Gift Processor

Sandra Salas, Accounting Assistant III

12. TEXAS A&M INTERNATIONAL UNIVERSITY

Revolving Fund portion not to exceed \$2,000,000

Employees authorized to sign checks:

Pablo Arenaz, Interim President

Juan J. Castillo, Jr., Vice President for Finance and Administration

Elena Martinez, Comptroller

Frederico Juarez III, Director of Budget, Payroll, Grants and Contracts

Melisa Rangel, Director of Accounting

Hector Mejia, Associate Comptroller

Maria Elena Hernandez, Associate Comptroller/Receivables

Patricia Ornelas, Senior Staff Accountant

Carlos Bella, Senior Staff Accountant

13. TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY-KINGSVILLE

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

Employees authorized to sign checks:

Steven H. Tallant, President

Vacant, Vice President for Finance and Chief Financial Officer

Maricela Flores, Assistant Comptroller and Director of Accounting

Joanne Macias, Director of Financial Reporting

Claudia Conard, Senior Financial Analyst

Vilma Castillo, Assistant Director of Accounting

Jonathan Guzman, Staff Accountant II

Robyn Wallace, Staff Accountant II

14. TEXAS A&M VETERINARY MEDICAL DIAGNOSTIC LABORATORY

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

Employees authorized to sign checks:

Bruce Akey, Director

Steve Schulze, Assistant Vice Chancellor for Administration

Vic S. Seidel, Assistant Agency Director

Deanie Dudley, Assistant Dean, College of Agriculture and Life Sciences

Donna Alexander, Assistant Director and Chief Financial Officer,  
Texas A&M AgriLife Extension Service

Debra Cummings, Assistant Director and Chief Financial Officer, Texas A&M AgriLife  
Research

Shiao-Yen Ko, Manager of Accounting Services

Loree Lewis, Coordinator of Management Information

Kim Payne, Assistant Financial Manager

William Gray, Risk and Compliance Coordinator

15. WEST TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY

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

Employees authorized to sign checks:

Randy Rikel, Vice President for Business and Finance

Mark Hiner, Assistant Vice President

Shelly Davis, Associate Vice President and Controller

Todd McNeill, Manager of Accounting

Julie Harvell, Bursar

16. TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY-COMMERCE

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

Employees authorized to sign checks:

Ray Keck, Interim President and Chief Executive Officer

Alicia Currin, Vice President for Business and Administration

Paula Hanson, Associate Vice President for Business and Administration and Controller

Sarah Baker, Director of Accounting & Financial Reporting

Tina Livingston, Assistant Vice President of Budgets & Business Services

Janet Anderson, Budget Coordinator

Erica Contreras, Budget Analyst

Amanda Reams, Senior Accountant

Rocio (Rose) Moreno, State Accounting Manager

Debbie Gonzalez, Staff Accountant

Kim Jefferies, Coordinator of Gift Processing

Erin Ham, Property Manager

17. TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY-TEXARKANA

Revolving Fund portion not to exceed \$900,000

Employees authorized to sign checks:

Emily F. Cutrer, President

James S. Scogin, Vice President for Finance and Administration

Jackie L. Elder, Controller and Director of Accounting

Samantha Fore, State Accounting Manager

Cathy Adams, Senior Accountant

18. TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY-CENTRAL TEXAS

Revolving Fund portion not to exceed \$2,000,000

Employees authorized to sign checks:

Marc Nigliazzo, President

Gaylene Nunn, Vice President of Finance and Administration

Susan Bowden, Controller/Director of Business Affairs

Arnetta Brown, Assistant Controller/Director of Accounting

Eileen Thomas, Senior Accountant

19. TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY-SAN ANTONIO

Revolving Fund portion not to exceed \$2,000,000

Employees authorized to sign checks:

Cynthia Teniente-Matson, President

Arturo Alonzo, Interim Vice President for Business Affairs & CFO

Vacant, Assistant Vice President for Financial Services and Comptroller

Denis Cano, Assistant Comptroller & Director of Accounting Services

Patricia Hayes, Director of Business Services.

**MINUTE ORDER 171-2016 (ITEM 6.3)**

**APPROVAL OF WELLS FARGO BANK, N.A.  
AS LEAD BANK AND DEPOSITORY,  
THE TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY SYSTEM**

In accordance with The Texas A&M University System Policy 22.02 (System Investment), Wells Fargo Bank, N.A. is hereby approved as the lead bank and depository for The Texas A&M University System.

**MINUTE ORDER 172-2016 (ITEM 6.4)**

**GRANTING OF THE TITLE OF EMERITUS/EMERITA, SEPTEMBER 2016,  
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 the attached exhibit, Emeritus/Emerita Title List No. 17-01, and grants all rights and privileges of this title.

**MINUTE ORDER 173-2016 (ITEM 6.5)**

**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 174-2016 (ITEM 6.6)**

**APPROVAL OF REVISIONS TO SYSTEM POLICY 01.03  
(APPOINTING POWER AND TERMS AND CONDITIONS OF EMPLOYMENT),  
THE TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY SYSTEM**

The revisions to System Policy 01.03 (Appointing Power and Terms and Conditions of Employment), as shown in the attached exhibit, are approved, effective immediately.

**MINUTE ORDER 175-2016 (ITEM 6.7)**

**APPROVAL OF REVISIONS TO SYSTEM POLICY 21.01  
(FINANCIAL POLICIES, SYSTEMS AND PROCEDURES),  
THE TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY SYSTEM**

The revisions to System Policy 21.01 (Financial Policies, Systems and Procedures), as shown in the attached exhibit, are approved, effective immediately.

**MINUTE ORDER 176-2016 (ITEM 6.8)**

**APPROVAL OF REVISIONS TO SYSTEM POLICY 25.07  
(CONTRACT ADMINISTRATION),  
THE TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY SYSTEM**

The revisions to System Policy 25.07 (Contract Administration), as shown in the attached exhibit, are approved, effective immediately.

**MINUTE ORDER 177-2016 (ITEM 6.9)**

**APPROVAL OF REVISIONS TO SYSTEM POLICY 31.06  
(SICK LEAVE POOL),  
THE TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY SYSTEM**

The revisions to System Policy 31.06 (Sick Leave Pool), as shown in the attached exhibit, are approved, effective immediately.

**MINUTE ORDER 178-2016 (ITEM 6.10)**

**APPROVAL OF REVISIONS TO SYSTEM POLICY 33.06  
(HOURS OF WORK FOR FULL-TIME SALARIED EMPLOYEES),  
THE TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY SYSTEM**

The revisions to System Policy 33.06 (Hours of Work for Full-time Salaried Employees), as shown in the attached exhibit, are approved, effective immediately.

**MINUTE ORDER 179-2016 (ITEM 6.11)**

**ADOPTION OF A RESOLUTION  
HONORING MR. GREG A. GARCIA FOR HIS OUTSTANDING SERVICE  
AND CONTRIBUTIONS TO THE TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY SYSTEM,  
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.

**MINUTE ORDER 180-2016 (ITEM 6.12)**

**GRANTING OF FACULTY DEVELOPMENT LEAVE FOR FY 2017,  
PRAIRIE VIEW A&M UNIVERSITY**

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 2017, Prairie View A&M University.

**MINUTE ORDER 181-2016 (ITEM 6.13)**

**ESTABLISHMENT OF THE  
CENTER OF EXCELLENCE IN RESEARCH AND  
EDUCATION FOR BIG MILITARY DATA INTELLIGENCE,  
PRAIRIE VIEW A&M UNIVERSITY**

The Center of Excellence in Research and Education for Big Military Data Intelligence (CREDIT) is hereby established as an organizational unit of Prairie View A&M University within the Roy G. Perry College of Engineering.

**MINUTE ORDER 182-2016 (ITEM 6.14)**

**APPROVAL OF A NEW BACHELOR OF SCIENCE  
DEGREE PROGRAM WITH A MAJOR IN FASHION STUDIES,  
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 Science in Fashion Studies.

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 183-2016 (ITEM 6.15)**

**APPROVAL OF ACADEMIC TENURE, SEPTEMBER 2016,  
TARLETON STATE 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 Tarleton State University, as set forth in the attached exhibit, Tenure List No.17-01.

**MINUTE ORDER 184-2016 (ITEM 6.16)**

**APPROVAL OF ACADEMIC TENURE, SEPTEMBER 2016,  
TEXAS A&M INTERNATIONAL 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 member at Texas A&M International University, as set forth in the exhibit, Tenure List No. 17-01.

**MINUTE ORDER 185-2016 (ITEM 6.17)**

**GRANTING OF FACULTY DEVELOPMENT LEAVE FOR FY 2017,  
TEXAS A&M INTERNATIONAL UNIVERSITY**

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 2017, Texas A&M International University.

**MINUTE ORDER 186-2016 (ITEM 6.18)****AUTHORIZATION FOR THE  
TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY HEALTH SCIENCE CENTER  
TO MAKE INTERGOVERNMENTAL TRANSFERS  
ON BEHALF OF QUALIFYING ENTITIES,  
TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY**

The Board of Regents of The Texas A&M University System authorizes the Senior Vice President and Chief Operating Officer of the Texas A&M University Health Science Center, under the administration of Texas A&M University, to make one or more Intergovernmental Transfers (IGTs) to the Health and Human Services Commission (HHSC) in support of qualifying entities' participation in HHSC's 1115 Waiver Program and Network Access Improvement Program to increase access to, and quality of, care for Medicaid and indigent patients, subject to final review for legal sufficiency by the Office of General Counsel and outside counsel with respect to each covered health care affiliation. The total amount of such IGTs shall not exceed \$15 million in the aggregate during fiscal year 2017.

**MINUTE ORDER 187-2016 (ITEM 6.19)****APPROVAL OF ACADEMIC TENURE, SEPTEMBER 2016,  
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. 17-01.

**MINUTE ORDER 188-2016 (ITEM 6.20)****APPROVAL OF A NEW MASTER OF ENGINEERING IN  
TECHNICAL MANAGEMENT DEGREE PROGRAM, 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 Engineering in Technical Management.

The Board also authorizes submission of Texas A&M 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 189-2016 (ITEM 6.21)**

**APPROVAL OF A NEW BACHELOR OF SCIENCE IN  
MATERIALS SCIENCE AND ENGINEERING DEGREE PROGRAM,  
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 Bachelor of Science in Materials Science and Engineering.

The Board also authorizes submission of Texas A&M 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 190-2016 (ITEM 6.22)**

**APPROVAL OF A NEW MASTER OF SCIENCE IN  
ENTREPRENEURIAL LEADERSHIP DEGREE PROGRAM,  
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 Science in Entrepreneurial Leadership.

The Board also authorizes submission of Texas A&M 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 191-2016 (ITEM 6.23)**

**APPOINTMENT OF MR. CHRISTOPHER S. CAHILL,  
MR. JAMES P. MCGREGOR, MR. FRANK M. MULLER, JR.  
AND MR. VICTOR R. PIERSON  
AND REAPPOINTMENT OF MR. JOHN J. MICHAEL,  
MR. ROBERT T. SAKOWITZ, MS. KELLEY SULLIVAN,  
MR. TYSON T. VOELKEL, MR. ARTHUR DAMON GOWAN AND  
MR. BRIAN N. ROY, JR. 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 reappoints Mr. John J. Michael, Mr. Robert T. Sakowitz, Ms. Kelley Sullivan, and



Mr. Tyson T. Voelkel to the Texas A&M University at Galveston Board of Visitors for three-year terms, effective September 1, 2016.

The Board of Regents of The Texas A&M University System hereby appoints Mr. Christopher S. Cahill, Mr. James P. McGregor, Mr. Frank M. Muller, Jr., and Mr. Victor R. Pierson to the Texas A&M University at Galveston Board of Visitors for three-year terms, effective November 4, 2016.

The Board of Regents of The Texas A&M University System hereby reappoints Mr. Arthur Damon Gowan and Mr. Brian N. Roy, Jr. to the Texas A&M University at Galveston Board of Visitors for three-year terms, effective November 1, 2016.

**MINUTE ORDER 192-2016 (ITEM 6.24)**

**MOVING THE RETA AND BILL HAYNES NAME FROM THE  
RETA AND BILL HAYNES '46 COASTAL ENGINEERING LABORATORY  
TO FORMALLY NAME THE CIVIL ENGINEERING BUILDING  
THE "H.J. (BILL) AND RETA HAYNES ENGINEERING BUILDING,"  
TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY**

The Board of Regents of The Texas A&M University System hereby moves the Reta and Bill Haynes name from the Reta and Bill Haynes '46 Coastal Engineering Laboratory to the Civil Engineering Building, formally naming it the "H.J. (Bill) and Reta Haynes Engineering Building."

**MINUTE ORDER 193-2016 (ITEM 6.25)**

**NAMING OF THE  
"ZACHRY ENGINEERING EDUCATION COMPLEX"  
WITHIN THE COLLEGE OF ENGINEERING,  
TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY**

The Board of Regents of The Texas A&M University System hereby names the Engineering Education Complex within the College of Engineering the "Zachry Engineering Education Complex."

**MINUTE ORDER 194-2016 (ITEM 6.26)**

**NAMING OF THE  
"HALLIBURTON ENGINEERING GLOBAL PROGRAM"  
WITHIN THE COLLEGE OF ENGINEERING,  
TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY**

The Board of Regents of The Texas A&M University System hereby names the Engineering Global Program within the College of Engineering the "Halliburton Engineering Global Program."

**MINUTE ORDER 195-2016 (ITEM 6.27)****APPROVAL OF ACADEMIC TENURE, SEPTEMBER 2016,  
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 following faculty member at Texas A&M University-Central Texas, as set forth in the attached exhibit, Tenure List No. 17-01.

**MINUTE ORDER 196-2016 (ITEM 6.28)****NAMING OF “THE COSPER FAMILY ALCOVE”  
(FOURTH FLOOR, ROOM 400C IN WARRIOR HALL);  
“THE SUBHANI FOUNDATION ALCOVE” (FOURTH FLOOR,  
ROOM 400H IN WARRIOR HALL); “THE STEPHEN A. AND  
MARY L. HANIK BOOKSTORE” (UNIVERSITY BOOKSTORE,  
FIRST FLOOR IN FOUNDER’S HALL);  
“THE WHITIS FAMILY CLASSROOM” (FOURTH FLOOR,  
ROOM 416 IN FOUNDER’S HALL); AND  
“WHITIS FIELD” (RUGBY PITCH/ATHLETIC FIELD),  
TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY-CENTRAL TEXAS**

The Board of Regents of The Texas A&M University System hereby names the following five locations within Founders Hall, Warrior Hall, and on the campus of Texas A&M University-Central Texas.

- Warrior Hall, Fourth Floor, Room 400C is hereby named “The Cospers Family Alcove.”
- Warrior Hall, Fourth Floor, Room 400H is hereby named “The Subhani Foundation Alcove.”
- Founders Hall, First Floor, University Bookstore is hereby named “The Stephen A. and Mary L. Hanik Bookstore.”
- Founders Hall, Fourth Floor, Room 416 is hereby named “The Whitis Family Classroom.”
- Texas A&M University-Central Texas Rugby Pitch/Athletic Field is hereby named “Whitis Field.”

**MINUTE ORDER 197-2016 (ITEM 6.29)****AUTHORIZATION TO AWARD AN  
HONORARY DEGREE TO ROBERT V. “BUDDIE” BARNES, JR.,  
TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY-COMMERCE**

The president of Texas A&M University-Commerce is authorized to award an Honorary Doctor of Letters degree to Mr. Robert V. “Buddie” Barnes, Jr.

**MINUTE ORDER 198-2016 (ITEM 6.30)**

**APPROVAL OF A NEW BACHELOR OF SCIENCE  
DEGREE PROGRAM WITH A MAJOR IN INDUSTRIAL ENGINEERING,  
AND AUTHORIZATION TO REQUEST APPROVAL FROM THE  
TEXAS HIGHER EDUCATION COORDINATING BOARD,  
TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY-CORPUS CHRISTI**

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

The Board also authorizes submission of Texas A&M University-Corpus Christi'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 199-2016 (ITEM 6.31)**

**APPROVAL OF A NEW BACHELOR OF SCIENCE  
DEGREE PROGRAM WITH A MAJOR IN CIVIL ENGINEERING,  
AND AUTHORIZATION TO REQUEST APPROVAL FROM THE  
TEXAS HIGHER EDUCATION COORDINATING BOARD,  
TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY-CORPUS CHRISTI**

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

The Board also authorizes submission of Texas A&M University-Corpus Christi'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 200-2016 (ITEM 6.32)**

**APPROVAL OF A NEW MASTER OF SCIENCE  
DEGREE PROGRAM WITH A MAJOR IN CHEMISTRY,  
AND AUTHORIZATION TO REQUEST APPROVAL FROM THE  
TEXAS HIGHER EDUCATION COORDINATING BOARD,  
TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY-CORPUS CHRISTI**

The Board of Regents of The Texas A&M University System approves the establishment of a new degree program at Texas A&M University-Corpus Christi leading to a Master of Science with a major in Chemistry.

The Board also authorizes submission of Texas A&M University-Corpus Christi'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 201-2016 (ITEM 6.33)**

**GRANTING OF FACULTY DEVELOPMENT LEAVE FOR FY 2017,  
TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY-CORPUS CHRISTI**

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 2017, Texas A&M University-Corpus Christi.

**MINUTE ORDER 202-2016 (ITEM 6.34)**

**GRANTING OF FACULTY DEVELOPMENT LEAVE FOR FY 2017,  
TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY-KINGSVILLE**

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 2017, Texas A&M University-Kingsville.

**MINUTE ORDER 203-2016 (ITEM 6.35)**

**AUTHORIZATION TO ESTABLISH TEN QUASI-ENDOWMENTS,  
TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY-KINGSVILLE**

The Board of Regents of The Texas A&M University System authorizes the president of Texas A&M University-Kingsville to establish ten quasi-endowments in the System Endowment Fund entitled as follows.

- “Peeler Family Legacy Fund Quasi-Endowment”
- “Javelina Alumni Association Matching Scholarship Quasi-Endowment”
- “Arrington Match – C. Van Mooney Memorial Quasi-Endowed Professorship in Natural Gas Engineering”
- “Arrington Match – Heino Brasch Memorial Graduate Scholarship Quasi- Endowment”
- “Arrington Match – Maurice Schmidt Scholarship for the Visual Arts Quasi- Endowment”
- “Arrington Match – Hispanic Women’s Network of Texas, Corpus Christi Chapter Quasi-Endowed Scholarship in STEM”
- “Arrington Match – 1st Community Bank Quasi-Endowed Business Excellence Fund”

- “Arrington Match – Kleberg Bank-John Ramsey Womack, Sr., Accounting Quasi- Endowment”
- “Arrington Match – Cheryl ’74 & Lewis Bradshaw ’69, ’71 MBA Scholarship Quasi-Endowment”
- “Arrington Match – Noemi S. Lopez ’89 Memorial Scholarship Quasi-Endowment”

**MINUTE ORDER 204-2016 (ITEM 6.36)**

**APPROVAL OF A NEW MASTER OF SCIENCE  
DEGREE PROGRAM WITH A MAJOR IN  
CLINICAL MENTAL HEALTH COUNSELING, AND  
AUTHORIZATION TO REQUEST APPROVAL FROM THE  
TEXAS HIGHER EDUCATION COORDINATING BOARD,  
TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY-KINGSVILLE**

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 Clinical Mental Health Counseling.

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.

**MINUTE ORDER 205-2016 (ITEM 6.37)**

**APPROVAL OF ACADEMIC TENURE, SEPTEMBER 2016,  
TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY-SAN ANTONIO**

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-San Antonio, as set forth in the exhibit, Tenure List No. 17-01.

**MINUTE ORDER 206-2016 (ITEM 6.38)**

**APPROVAL OF A NEW BACHELOR OF SCIENCE  
IN ENGINEERING 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 in Engineering.

The Board also authorizes submission of Texas A&M University-San Antonio’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 207-2016 (ITEM 6.39)**

**APPROVAL OF A NEW BACHELOR OF SCIENCE  
DEGREE PROGRAM WITH A MAJOR IN CHILD DEVELOPMENT,  
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 in Child Development.

The Board also authorizes submission of Texas A&M University-San Antonio'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 208-2016 (ITEM 6.40)**

**APPROVAL OF A NEW MASTER OF ARTS DEGREE PROGRAM  
WITH A MAJOR IN CLINICAL MENTAL HEALTH COUNSELING,  
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 Master of Arts in Clinical Mental Health Counseling.

The Board also authorizes submission of Texas A&M University-San Antonio'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 209-2016 (ITEM 6.41)**

**APPROVAL OF ACADEMIC TENURE, SEPTEMBER 2016,  
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 member at Texas A&M University-Texarkana as set forth in the attached exhibit, Tenure List No. 17-01.

**MINUTE ORDER 210-2016 (ITEM 6.42)**

**GRANTING OF FACULTY DEVELOPMENT LEAVE FOR FY 2017,  
WEST TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY**

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 2017, West Texas A&M University.

**MINUTE ORDER 211-2016 (ITEM 6.43)**

**AUTHORIZATION FOR THE ACCEPTANCE AND PLACEMENT  
OF A VETERANS WAR MEMORIAL ON CAMPUS,  
WEST TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY**

The President of West Texas A&M University is hereby authorized to accept and approve the placement of a Veterans War Memorial on the West Texas A&M University campus as shown in the attached exhibit.

**MINUTE ORDER 212-2016 (ITEM 6.44)**

**ADOPTION OF A RESOLUTION  
HONORING THE WEST TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY  
WOMEN'S BASKETBALL TEAM,  
WEST TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY**

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

**MINUTE ORDER 213-2016 (ITEM 6.45)**

**ADOPTION OF A RESOLUTION  
HONORING THE WEST TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY  
WOMEN'S INDOOR TRACK & FIELD TEAM,  
WEST TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY**

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

**MINUTE ORDER 214-2016 (ITEM 6.46)**

**ADOPTION OF A RESOLUTION  
HONORING THE WEST TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY  
WOMEN’S OUTDOOR TRACK & FIELD TEAM,  
WEST TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY**

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

**MINUTE ORDER 215-2016 (ITEM 6.47)**

**NAMING OF  
VARIOUS LOCATIONS ON CAMPUS AND A LECTURE SERIES,  
WEST TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY**

The Board of Regents of The Texas A&M University System hereby names the following five locations on the campus of West Texas A&M University and a lecture series.

- New Classroom – Agricultural Sciences Complex, upon completion, is hereby named the “Plains Land Bank Classroom.”
- Classroom – Old Main 213 is hereby named “The Geneva Schaeffer STEM Lab.”
- Formal Art Gallery is hereby named the “Dord Fitz Formal Art Gallery.”
- New Resource Room, Center for Learning Disabilities – Amarillo Center, upon completion, is hereby named the “Geneva Schaeffer Resource Room.”
- New Pavilion – Agricultural Sciences Complex, upon completion, is hereby named the “Piehl – Schaeffer Pavilion.”
- Lecture Series in Western Studies is hereby named “The Garry L. Nall Endowed Lectures in Western Studies.”

**MINUTE ORDER 216-2016 (ITEM 6.48)**

**ESTABLISHMENT OF THE  
CENTER FOR COFFEE RESEARCH AND EDUCATION,  
TEXAS A&M AGRILIFE RESEARCH**

The Center for Coffee Research and Education is hereby established as an organizational unit of Texas A&M AgriLife Research within the Norman E. Borlaug Institute for International Agriculture.



**MINUTE ORDER 217-2016 (ITEM 6.49)**

**CONFIRMATION OF APPOINTMENT AND COMMISSIONING  
OF DENNIS L. COCHRAN AS PEACE OFFICER,  
TEXAS A&M FOREST SERVICE**

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. Dennis L. Cochran as a peace officer for the system, subject to taking the oath required of peace officers.

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Dr. Cynthia Teniente-Matson, President of A&M-San Antonio, said Item 6.11 provided a resolution for Mr. Greg Garcia for his outstanding service and contributions to the A&M System. She noted that Mr. Garcia was a great citizen and ambassador for the A&M System.

Mr. Garcia thanked the Board for the honor given to him today and said he would always cherish it. He expressed his appreciation to Dr. Matson and all the presidents that he worked for at Texas A&M-Kingsville, TAMIU and others. Mr. Garcia said he appreciated all those in attendance, Chancellor Sharp, and offered a special thanks to Dr. Stanton Calvert, Vice Chancellor Emeritus. He added that he accepted this resolution in the name of his wife who had supported him for over 40 years. He thanked all his friends that were there and the Board of Regents.

**ADJOURN**

There being no further business, Chairman Thomas adjourned the meeting at 3:34 p.m.

Vickie Burt Spillers  
Executive Director, Board of Regents

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