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**MINUTES OF THE
SPECIAL MEETING OF THE BOARD OF REGENTS
December 11, 2012**

CONVENE – TUESDAY, DECEMBER 11, 2012

Chairman Richard A. Box convened a special meeting of the Board of Regents of The Texas A&M University System at 3:06 p.m., Tuesday, December 11, 2012, 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
Mr. Morris E. Foster
Ms. Judy Morgan
Mr. Jim Schwertner
Mr. Cliff Thomas
Mr. John D. White
Mr. Jim Wilson

The following members of the Board were not present:

Ms. Elaine Mendoza
Mr. Quinten Womack, Student Regent

Chairman Box announced that a quorum was present.

RECESS TO EXECUTIVE SESSION

Chairman Box announced that the Board would recess to executive session as permitted by Chapter 551 of the Texas Government Code: Section 71, 72 and 74. 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 3:06 p.m. until 5:00 p.m.)

RECONVENE IN OPEN SESSION

Chairman Box reconvened the meeting in open session at 5:01 p.m. and announced that the Board met in executive session from 3:06 p.m. until 5:00 p.m. and considered and conferred with the Chancellor and the System attorney on personnel, real property and legal matters.

Chairman Box said Item 1 was considered in executive session and asked for a motion.

On motion of Regent White, seconded by Regent Foster and by a unanimous vote, the following minute order was adopted (264):

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**MINUTE ORDER 264-2012 (ITEM 1)**

**AUTHORIZATION TO PURCHASE  
APPROXIMATELY 12.4 ACRES OF UNIMPROVED LAND IN THE  
CITY OF COLLEGE STATION, BRAZOS COUNTY, TEXAS,  
THE TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY SYSTEM**

The Chancellor of The Texas A&M University System, or designee, after obtaining approval from the Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board, is authorized to execute and deliver all documents, and to take all other action necessary, to purchase approximately 12.4 acres of land near HSC Parkway and Texas Highway 47 in the City of College Station, Brazos County, Texas. The form of the purchase contract and the documents of conveyance must be approved for legal sufficiency by the Office of General Counsel. The purchase price of \$2.50 per square foot or approximately \$1,350,360 (the final amount to be determined based on a survey), plus closing costs, is hereby approved and appropriated from Account No. 01-085380, Revenue Financing System Debt Proceeds (Local Funds). The Chancellor, or designee, may grant to the seller a right to repurchase the land for the same price under conditions acceptable to the Chancellor, or designee.

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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Chairman Box said Item 2 was considered in executive session and asked for a motion to name the finalist or finalists for the position of President of Texas A&M University-Texarkana.

Regent Morgan made a motion to nominate Dr. Emily Fourmy Cutrer as the sole finalist for the position of President of A&M-Texarkana.

Regent White moved that the nominations cease.

Chairman Box asked if there were any objections to the nominations being closed. There were no objections.

On motion of Regent Morgan, seconded by Regent Schwertner and by a unanimous vote, the following minute order was adopted (265):

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**MINUTE ORDER 265-2012 (ITEM 2)**

**NAMING OF DR. EMILY FOURMY CUTRER AS  
THE SOLE FINALIST FOR THE POSITION OF  
PRESIDENT OF TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY-TEXARKANA  
THE TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY SYSTEM**

Dr. Emily Fourmy Cutrer is hereby named as the sole finalist for the position of President of Texas A&M University-Texarkana. As required by state law, final action will be taken after the 21-day notice is given.

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Chancellor Sharp presented Items 3 and 4. He said Item 3 was to adopt a resolution honoring Dr. Dickey as President of Texas A&M Health Science Center (TAMHSC) and Vice Chancellor for Health Affairs and bestowing the title of President Emerita. Chancellor Sharp said Item 4 was to grant faculty development leave for Dr. Dickey. There were no questions or comments.

On motion of Regent Foster, seconded by Regent Morgan and by a unanimous vote, the following minute orders were adopted (266 and 267):

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**MINUTE ORDER 266-2012 (ITEM 3)**

**ADOPTION OF A RESOLUTION HONORING DR. NANCY DICKEY  
AS PRESIDENT OF THE TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY SYSTEM  
HEALTH SCIENCE CENTER AND VICE CHANCELLOR FOR HEALTH  
AFFAIRS AND BESTOWING THE TITLE OF PRESIDENT EMERITA,  
THE TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY SYSTEM**

Whereas, Nancy Wilson Dickey, M.D., joined the College of Medicine faculty of The Texas A&M University System Health Science Center in 1996; and

Whereas, Dr. Dickey became President of The Texas A&M University System Health Science Center in 2002, and;

Whereas, Dr. Dickey has exhibited remarkable leadership and vision in advancing the goals and objectives of health professional education and in achieving nationwide recognition for her commitment to the medical profession; and

Whereas, during Dr. Dickey's presidency, the College of Medicine grew from 69 students per class to over 200 currently with four-year campuses in Bryan-College Station and Temple and upper level clinical training in Round Rock and at Baylor University Medical Center in Dallas; and

Whereas, under Dr. Dickey's leadership, the Baylor College of Dentistry in Dallas has continued its century-long commitment to dental health and is recognized as having the most diverse student body of any dental school in the nation; and

Whereas, the School of Rural Public Health is less than 15 years old but with Dr. Dickey's assistance it has risen to be one of the top 25 public health schools in the United States and the only one dedicated to health issues of rural communities; and

Whereas, with Dr. Dickey's vision, the Irma Lerma Rangel College of Pharmacy in Kingsville admitted its first class in 2006 and reached full accreditation in the shortest time possible; and

Whereas, working with community leaders and Texas A&M University-Corpus Christi, Dr. Dickey orchestrated the formation of the College of Nursing, which admitted its first class in 2008 and graduated an accelerated group of new nurses only one year later; and

Whereas, through Dr. Dickey's efforts, the School of Graduate Studies' Biomedical Science Program has flourished on multiple campuses in Houston, Bryan-College Station, Temple and Dallas. Furthermore, the Institute of Biosciences and Technology in Houston is providing cutting-edge health-related research in the Texas Medical Center; and

Whereas, with Dr. Dickey's creative spirit and collaborative network, she developed a new Texas A&M Health Science Center campus from scratch on Hwy 47 in Bryan, comprised of an education building, research building and clinical building with plans on the drawing board for the addition of another research building and clinical building. A second new campus in Round Rock envisioned and planned by Dr. Dickey has become a focal point for interprofessional health education in medicine, nursing and pharmacy; and

Whereas, during Dr. Dickey's tenure, the Health Science Center annual expenditures in research increased from \$12 million to \$80 million; and

Whereas, Dr. Dickey has displayed exemplary leadership by becoming a member of the highly selective Institute of Medicine, becoming the first woman elected as President of the American Medical Association and serving as Chair of the Association of Academic Health Centers; and

Whereas, Dr. Dickey is a leading expert in healthcare policy, representing the Health Science Center and The Texas A&M University System, providing frequent testimony to the Texas State Legislature and the Congress of the United States; and

Whereas, Dr. Dickey has been recognized academically by receiving six honorary doctorates; and

Whereas, Dr. Dickey instills a strong sense of interprofessionalism among faculty, staff and students and serves as an exceptional mentor and teacher; and

Whereas, despite a full schedule, Dr. Dickey continues to practice medicine and see patients, exemplifying the mission of the Health Science Center (compassionate care, superior science and exceptional health education); and

Whereas, Dr. Dickey currently serves as President of the Pentagon’s Defense Health Board; and

Whereas, as a family medicine specialist, Dr. Dickey is dedicated to the expansion of primary care and those doctors that are the gatekeepers for healthcare, and served as the founding director of the Family Medicine Residency Program of the Brazos Valley; now, therefore, be it

Resolved, that we, the members of the Board of Regents of The Texas A&M University System, express our appreciation for Dr. Dickey’s dedicated service to The Texas A&M University System Health Science Center and The Texas A&M University System by conferring upon her the title of “President Emerita” effective December 11, 2012; and, be it, further

Resolved, that this resolution be spread among the minutes, with official copies thereof signed by the Chairman of the Board of Regents, and be presented to Dr. Dickey as an expression of appreciation for her dedicated service and outstanding leadership as President of The Texas A&M University System Health Science Center and as Vice Chancellor for Health Affairs for The Texas A&M University System.

**MINUTE ORDER 267-2012 (ITEM 4)**

**GRANTING OF DEVELOPMENT LEAVE FOR NANCY W. DICKEY, M.D.,  
THE TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY SYSTEM HEALTH SCIENCE CENTER  
THE TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY SYSTEM**

In accordance with Texas Education Code § 51.948, *Restrictions on Contracts with Administrators*, Section (f), the Board of Regents of The Texas A&M University System grants paid development leave for Nancy W. Dickey, M.D., from December 11, 2012 – November 15, 2013, at her current salary as president.

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Chairman Box said Item 5 was the adoption of a resolution honoring Texas A&M Head Football Coach Kevin Sumlin for his leadership and the Texas A&M football coaching staff and players for their performance during the 2012 football season.

On motion of Regent Foster, seconded by Regent Schwertner and by a unanimous vote, the following minute order was adopted (268):

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**MINUTE ORDER 268-2012 (ITEM 5)**

**ADOPTION OF A RESOLUTION HONORING TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY  
HEAD FOOTBALL COACH KEVIN SUMLIN FOR HIS LEADERSHIP AND  
THE TEXAS A&M FOOTBALL COACHING STAFF AND PLAYERS FOR  
THEIR PERFORMANCE DURING THE 2012 FOOTBALL SEASON  
TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY,  
THE TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY SYSTEM**

Whereas, Kevin Sumlin led the Texas A&M Football Team into the inaugural season in the Southeastern Conference and a 10-2 record, the first 10-win season since 1998 and the 12th in program history, and the most wins compiled by a first-year Texas A&M head coach; and

Whereas, Coach Sumlin was named Coach of the Year by the Rotary Lombardi Committee, shares SEC Coach of the Year with Florida's head coach, and was selected as a finalist for the 2012 Eddie Robinson Coach of the Year award by the Football Writers Association of America; and

Whereas, first-year assistant coach Kliff Kingsbury was selected as Offensive Coordinator of the Year by FootballScoop.com and was a finalist for the Broyles Award for assistant coach of the year; and

Whereas, Texas A&M quarterback “Johnny Football” Manziel was selected as the 78th winner of the Heisman Memorial Trophy as the Outstanding College Football Player in the United States for 2012, is the first freshman to win the award and is the second winner from Texas A&M; and

Whereas, Mr. Manziel also received recognition as the SEC’s Freshman of the Year and Offensive Player of the Year, the first freshman to win that award since 1980, and was awarded the Davey O’Brien National Quarterback Award; and

Whereas, Mr. Manziel set a new SEC record with 4,600 yards of total offense; and

Whereas, Texas A&M offensive tackle Luke Joeckel was named the 67th winner of the Outland Trophy, the first finalist and winner from Texas A&M, and was awarded the Jacobs Blocking Trophy as the top blocker in the SEC; and

Whereas, Texas A&M defensive end Damontre Moore was selected as a finalist for the Ted Hendricks Defensive End of the Year Award; and

Whereas, Mr. Moore, Mr. Manziel, and Mr. Joeckel were selected by the Walter Camp Football Foundation to the 2012 Walter Camp All-American First Team, and offensive tackle Jake Matthews was selected for Second Team; and

Whereas, Mr. Joeckel and Mr. Moore were selected to the 2012 All-American team by the American Football Coaches Association; and

Whereas, Mike Evans, Trey Williams, and Mr. Manziel earned spots on the 2012 Freshman All-Southeastern Conference; and

Whereas, the 2012 Texas A&M Football Team is ranked 9th in the Bowl Championship Series, 9th in the *USA Today* Coaches Poll and 10th in the *Associated Press* Top 25 Poll; and

Whereas, the Texas A&M Football Team scored 537 points, rushed for 2,821 yards, and passed for 3,807 yards; and

Whereas, other members of the Texas A&M Football Team also displayed a high dedication and proficiency and spent countless hours in training, including: De’Vante Harris, Ben Malena, Steven Campbell, Jameill Showers, Toney Hurd, Jr., Brandal Jackson, Kenric McNeal, Matt Davis, Desmond Gardiner, Tramain Jacobs, Uzoma Nwachukwu, Thomas Johnson, Nate Askew, Sean Porter, LeKendrick Williams, Jonathan Stewart, Derel Walker, Conner McQueen, Floyd Raven, Sr., Travis Labhart, Kenneth Marshall, Matt Joeckel, Joshua Stump, Edward Pope, Matt Fritsche, Michael Lamothe, C.J. Jones, Tra Carson, Steven Terrell, Dustin Harris, Sabian Holmes, Domonique Patterson, Taylor Bertolet, Clay Honeycutt, Ryan Swope, Devonta Burns, Sam Giamfortone, Brice Dolezal, Michael Osadebey, Brandon Williams,

D’Cardio Cottonham, Deshazor Everett, Johntel Franklin, Howard Matthews, Seth Wicks, Rylan Riney, Christine Michael, Michael Richardson, Jordan Richmond, Tyrell Taylor, Matt Wilkins, Donnie Baggs, Davis Plowman, Garrett Graham, Drew Kaser, Marvin Taylor, Seth Hiddink, Shaun Ward, Brandon Alexander, Kirby Ennis, Justin Bass, Sam Moeller, Steven Jenkins, Jake Russell, Daniel Inglett, Ryan Epperson, Josh Lambo, Taylor Martinez, Justin Ortega, Tyrone Taylor, Jarvis Harrison, Caden Smith, Alonzo Williams, Mike Matthews, Dylan Guthrie, Alvin Munrose, Cody Johnson, Allen Woodum, Nathan Gutekunst, Patrick Lewis, Nick Brown, Jonathan Puffer, John-Albert Arechiga, Tyler Godwin, Ben Compton, Cedric Ogbuehi, Kimo Tipoti, Gavin Stansbury, Rhontae Scales, Germain Ifedi, Jake Matthews, Shep Klinke, Garrett Gramling, Joseph Cheek, Nehemiah Hicks, Boone Niederhofer, Colton Beardmore, Malcome Kennedy, Kyle Aubuchon, Caleb Little, Gaston Lamascus, Ivan Robinson, Polo Manukainiu, Jonathan Mathis, Julien Obioha, Shayvion Hatten, and Spencer Nealy; now, therefore, be it

Resolved, that the Board of Regents of The Texas A&M University System desires to express its appreciation for the outstanding leadership shown by Coach Kevin Sumlin, and the Texas A&M Football Coaching Staff, and the performance of the Texas A&M Football Team during the 2012 college football season; and, be it, further

Resolved, that this resolution be included in the minutes, and copies thereof be signed by the Chairman of the Board of Regents, be presented to Coach Sumlin, to the coaching staff and other staff members, and to each member of the team, and to the Archives of Texas A&M University, as a permanent mark of this Board’s appreciation and gratitude to all these individuals for a job well done.

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ADJOURNMENT

On motion of Regent Morgan, seconded by Regent White and by a unanimous vote, the meeting was adjourned at 5:06 p.m.

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

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(Darlene Levens, Assistant to the Board of Regents, transcribed these minutes.)