

**MINUTES**

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

**THE TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY SYSTEM**

**HELD IN**

**COLLEGE STATION, TEXAS**

**November 1, 2013**

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**CONVENE**

Chairman Phil Adams convened a special workshop meeting of the Board of Regents of The Texas A&M University System, at 9:03 a.m., Friday, November 1, 2013, 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. Phil Adams, Chairman  
Mr. Cliff Thomas, Vice Chairman  
Mr. Anthony Buzbee  
Mr. Morris Foster  
Ms. Elaine Mendoza  
Ms. Judy Morgan  
Mr. Charles Schwartz  
Mr. Jim Schwertner  
Mr. John D. White  
Mr. Nicholas Madere (Student Regent)

Chairman Adams announced that a quorum was present.

Chairman Adams said that the purpose of this meeting was for a presentation by and discussion with Dr. Richard Chait, Professor Emeritus, Harvard Graduate School of Education, concerning the roles, responsibilities and best practices for members of a higher education governing board. He said no Board action would be taken.

Dr. Chait discussed the Board meeting held on October 31, 2013, his observations and recommendations for streamlining and improvements. Next, Dr. Chait discussed his interviews with System management. After questions and discussion, the meeting was adjourned at 11:25 a.m., the same day.

Vickie Burt Spillers  
Executive Director, Board of Regents