

MINUTES

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

THE TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY SYSTEM

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Chairman Clifton L. Thomas, Jr. convened a special workshop meeting of the Board of Regents of The Texas A&M University System at 8:04 a.m., Thursday, April 28, 2016, in the Board of Regents Meeting Room, on the campus of Texas A&M University, College Station, Texas. The following members of the Board were present:

Mr. Clifton L. Thomas, Jr., Chairman
Ms. Elaine Mendoza, Vice Chairman
Mr. Phil Adams
Mr. Robert L. Albritton
Mr. Morris E. Foster
Mr. Bill Mahomes
Ms. Judy Morgan
Mr. Charles W. Schwartz
Mr. Gabriel Pereira (Student Regent)

The following member of the Board was not present:

Mr. Anthony G. Buzbee

Chairman Thomas announced that a quorum was present. He added that no Board action would be taken. Chairman Thomas said that they would continue developing an overall strategic plan for the A&M System and thanked everyone for their participation. He called on Mr. Seth Reynolds with Parthenon-EY who discussed chief executive officer (CEO) feedback, the draft strategic plan, the System's vision, and imperatives for the future.

Next Chairman Thomas said that they would receive a series of briefings from System executives regarding strategic academic and research opportunities for A&M System members.

Mr. Ray Bonilla, General Counsel, discussed potential Board policy changes relating to the strategic plan. Dr. Katherine Banks, Vice Chancellor for Engineering, discussed Riverside Campus opportunities. Mr. Billy Hamilton, Executive Vice Chancellor and Chief Financial Officer, discussed the education portion and vision that would be created by the Gateway Center at the RELIS Innovation Campus. Mr. Phillip Ray, Vice Chancellor for Business Affairs, presented a report on landscape improvement projects at Texas A&M.

Chairman Thomas recessed the meeting at 12:09 p.m.

(Note: Regents Mahomes and Morgan departed the meeting at 12:09 p.m.)

Chairman Thomas reconvened the meeting at 12:26 p.m.

Chairman Thomas called on Dr. Cynthia Teniente-Matson, President of Texas A&M University-San Antonio, who discussed the potential for a new Texas A&M University-San Antonio Academic Center.

Next, Chairman Thomas called on Dr. Jon Mogford, Vice Chancellor for Research, who discussed the A&M System’s research program and potential opportunities.

Lastly, Chairman Thomas called on Mr. Hamilton and Mr. Joseph Duron, Executive Director of Budgets and Accounting, who presented an analysis of A&M System cash reserves.

After discussion, Chairman Thomas adjourned the meeting at 1:35 p.m., the same day.

Vickie Burt Spillers
Executive Director, Board of Regents