

MINUTES

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CONVENE

Mr. Morris Foster, Chairman of the Board, convened a special telephonic meeting of the Board of Regents of The Texas A&M University System, at 8:33 a.m., Friday, February 12, 2010, in the Board Meeting Room on the campus of Texas A&M University (TAMU), College Station, Texas.

The following members of the Board were present by telephone:

Mr. Morris Foster, Chairman
Mr. Jim Wilson, Vice Chairman
Mr. Phil Adams
Dr. Richard A. Box
Mr. Lupe Fraga
Mr. Bill Jones
Mr. Jim Schwertner
Ms. Ida Clement Steen

The following member of the Board was present in the Board Meeting Room:

Mr. Hunter Bollman (Student Regent)

The following member of the Board was not present:

Mr. Gene Stallings

Chairman Foster said this special telephonic meeting had been duly posted with the Secretary of State and in accordance with the Texas Government Code, that allows governing boards to meet by telephone, each party to the conference call must clearly identify himself/herself prior to speaking.

Chairman Foster said the posted purpose of this special telephonic meeting was to consider and take action on four items:

Item 1 – Appointment of Dr. Bowen Loftin as President of Texas A&M University and Delegation of Authority to Confirm the Terms of the Employment, TAMUS

Item 2 – Appointment of Dr. Maria Hernandez Ferrier as President of Texas A&M University-San Antonio and Delegation of Authority to Confirm the Terms of Employment, TAMUS

Item 3 – Appointment of Mr. Thomas G. Boggus as Director of the Texas Forest Service, TAMUS

Item 4 – Authorization for the President of Texas A&M University to Execute an Employment Contract with an Assistant Football Coach-Defensive Line, TAMU

RECESS TO EXECUTIVE SESSION

At 8:37 a.m., Chairman Foster announced that the Board would recess to executive session to consider matters as permitted by Section 551.074 of the Texas Government Code, including Items 1 through 4.

Chairman Foster 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.

Chairman Foster asked the following members of the administration to stay for the executive session: Dr. Frank Ashley, Vice Chancellor for Academic Affairs; Mr. Andrew Strong, General Counsel; Mr. Jay Kimbrough, Special Advisor to the Board; and Ms. Vickie Spillers, Executive Secretary to the Board. Chairman Foster said all persons who had not been requested to stay for the executive session were requested to leave the meeting room.

(Secretary's Note: The Board met in executive session from 8:37 a.m. until 8:50 a.m.)

RECONVENE IN OPEN SESSION

Chairman Foster reconvened the meeting in open session at 8:51 a.m. and announced that the Board had met in executive session from 8:37 a.m. until 8:50 a.m., Friday, February 12, 2010, and considered Items 1 through 4.

Chairman Foster presented Item 1 and the Board took action as set forth below:

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**MINUTE ORDER 039-2010 (ITEM 1)**

**APPOINTMENT OF DR. BOWEN LOFTIN  
AS PRESIDENT OF TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY  
AND DELEGATION OF AUTHORITY TO CONFIRM  
THE TERMS OF THE EMPLOYMENT,  
THE TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY SYSTEM**

Regent Box moved for adoption of the minute order. Regent Adams seconded the motion. Chairman Foster said he would call each regent’s name so their vote was properly recorded. The record of the regents’ vote is as follows: Adams – yes, Box – yes, Fraga – yes, Jones – yes, Schwertner – yes, Stallings - absent, Steen – yes, Wilson – yes. Chairman Foster said he voted “yes.” The following minute order was adopted:

Dr. R. Bowen Loftin is hereby appointed President of Texas A&M University of The Texas A&M University System, at an initial salary of \$425,000, effective immediately.

The Chancellor of The Texas A&M University System is hereby delegated the authority to confirm the terms of employment with Dr. Loftin.

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Student Regent Bollman asked that the minutes reflect that he would also support the resolution.

Chairman Foster presented Item 2 and the Board took action as set forth below:

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**MINUTE ORDER 040-2010 (ITEM 2)**

**APPOINTMENT OF DR. MARIA HERNANDEZ FERRIER  
AS PRESIDENT OF TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY-SAN ANTONIO  
AND DELEGATION OF AUTHORITY TO CONFIRM  
THE TERMS OF THE EMPLOYMENT,  
THE TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY SYSTEM**

Regent Steen moved for adoption of the minute order. Regent Schwertner seconded the motion. Chairman Foster said he would call each regent’s name so their vote was properly recorded. The record of the regents’ vote is as follows: Adams – yes, Box – yes, Fraga – yes, Jones – yes, Schwertner – yes, Stallings - absent, Steen – yes, Wilson – yes. Chairman Foster said he voted “yes.” The following minute order was adopted:

Dr. Maria Hernandez Ferrier is hereby appointed President of Texas A&M University-San Antonio of The Texas A&M University System, at an initial salary of \$200,000, effective immediately.

The Chancellor of The Texas A&M University System is hereby delegated the authority to confirm the terms of employment with Dr. Ferrier.

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Student Regent Bollman asked that the minutes reflect that he also supported the resolution.

Chairman Foster presented Item 3 and the Board took action as set forth below:

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**MINUTE ORDER 041-2010 (ITEM 3)**

**APPOINTMENT OF MR. THOMAS G. BOGGUS  
AS DIRECTOR OF THE TEXAS FOREST SERVICE,  
THE TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY SYSTEM**

Regent Schwertner moved for adoption of the minute order. Regent Adams seconded the motion. Chairman Foster said he would call each regent’s name so their vote was properly recorded. The record of the regents’ vote is as follows: Adams – yes, Box – yes, Fraga – yes, Jones – yes, Schwertner – yes, Stallings - absent, Steen – yes, Wilson – yes. Chairman Foster said he voted “yes.” The following minute order was adopted:

Mr. Thomas G. Boggus is hereby appointed Director of the Texas Forest Service of The Texas A&M University System, at an initial salary of \$183,400, effective immediately.

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Chairman Foster presented Item 4 and the Board took action as set forth below:

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**MINUTE ORDER 042-2010 (ITEM 4)**

**AUTHORIZATION FOR THE PRESIDENT OF TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY  
TO EXECUTE AN EMPLOYMENT CONTRACT WITH  
AN ASSISTANT FOOTBALL COACH-DEFENSIVE LINE,  
TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY**

Regent Adams moved for adoption of the minute order. Regent Steen seconded the motion. Chairman Foster said he would call each regent’s name so their vote was properly recorded. The record of the regents’ vote is as follows: Adams – yes, Box – yes, Fraga – yes, Jones – yes, Schwertner – yes, Stallings – absent -, Steen – yes, Wilson – yes. Chairman Foster said he voted “yes.” The following minute order was adopted:

Authority is hereby granted, upon review for legal form and sufficiency by the Office of General Counsel, to the President of Texas A&M University to execute an employment contract with an assistant football coach-defensive line.

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ADJOURNMENT

Chairman Foster said there being no further business, this completed the agenda and he would entertain a motion to adjourn. On motion of Regent Jones, seconded by Regent Adams, and by a unanimous vote, the special telephonic meeting was adjourned at 8:57 a.m., the same day.

Vickie Burt Spillers
Executive Secretary to the Board
The Texas A&M University System

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(These minutes were transcribed by Gwen Kirby, Senior Office Associate, Office of the Board of Regents.)