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CONVENE

Chairman Phil Adams convened a special telephonic meeting of the Board of Regents of The Texas A&M University System, at 2:32 p.m., Thursday, December 12, 2013, in the Board Meeting Room on the campus of Texas A&M University, College Station, Texas.

Chairman Adams announced that this special telephonic meeting had been duly posted with the Secretary of State and called each Regent's name to confirm their participation. He said others from the administration would be joining by phone as needed. The following members of the Board were present by telephone:

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. John D. White
Mr. Nicholas Madere (Student Regent)

The following member of the Board was present in the meeting room:

Mr. Jim Schwertner

RECESS TO EXECUTIVE SESSION

At 2:33 p.m., Chairman Adams announced that the Board would recess to executive session to consider matters as permitted by Chapter 551, Sections 71, 72 and 74 of the Texas Government Code, including Items 1 and 2. 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 2:34 p.m. until 2:48 p.m.)

RECONVENE IN OPEN SESSION

Chairman Adams reconvened the meeting in open session at 2:49 p.m. and announced that the Board had met in executive session from 2:34 p.m. until 2:48 p.m., Thursday, December 12, 2013, and considered executive session Item 1 and 2 and conferred with attorneys on personnel and legal matters.

Chairman Adams asked for a motion to adopt Items 1 and 2.

Regent Mendoza moved for adoption of the minute orders contained in Items 1 and 2. Regent Judy Morgan seconded the motion. Chairman Adams said he would call each regent's name to properly record their vote. The record of the regents' vote is as follows: Buzbee – yes, Foster – yes, Mendoza – yes, Morgan – yes, Schwartz – yes, Schwertner – yes, Thomas – yes, White – yes and Chairman Adams voted “yes.” The following minute orders were approved (285 and 286).

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**MINUTE ORDER 285-2013**

**AUTHORIZATION TO EXECUTE A GROUND LEASE FOR CONSTRUCTION OF AN ENGINEERING RESEARCH LABORATORY BUILDING IN TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY RESEARCH PARK AND A LEASE FOR THE ENGINEERING RESEARCH LABORATORY BUILDING TO BE CONSTRUCTED, TEXAS A&M ENGINEERING EXPERIMENT STATION**

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 (i) a ground lease agreement for approximately 3.7 acres at the southeast corner of Research Parkway and Enterprise Avenue in Texas A&M University Research Park on the campus of Texas A&M University for the planning, design and construction of an Engineering Research Laboratory Building, and (ii) a lease for the Engineering Research Laboratory Building to be constructed. The Chancellor, or designee, is further authorized to take any and all additional action, and execute any and all ancillary documents, deemed necessary to consummate the transactions.

**MINUTE ORDER 286-2013**

**AUTHORIZATION FOR THE PRESIDENT TO NEGOTIATE AND EXECUTE A NEW EMPLOYMENT CONTRACT WITH HEAD FOOTBALL COACH, KEVIN SUMLIN, TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY**

Authority is hereby granted to the president or the vice president for finance and chief financial officer of Texas A&M University to negotiate and execute a new employment contract, upon review for legal form and sufficiency by the Office of General Counsel, with Head Football Coach, Kevin Sumlin.

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ADJOURN

There being no further business, on motion of Regent Buzbee, seconded by Regent White and by a unanimous vote, the meeting was adjourned at 2:52 p.m., the same day.

Vickie Burt Spillers
Executive Director, Board of Regents

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(These minutes were transcribed by Darlene Levens, Assistant to the Board of Regents.)