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THE TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY SYSTEM

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**MINUTES OF THE
SPECIAL TELEPHONIC MEETING
OF THE BOARD OF REGENTS**

March 9, 2015

CONVENE

Chairman Phil Adams convened a special telephonic meeting of the Board of Regents of The Texas A&M University System, at 4:05 p.m., Monday, March 9, 2015, in the Board Meeting Room, on the campus of Texas A&M University, College Station, Texas.

Chairman Adams began by recognizing and welcoming Mr. Robert L. Albritton and Mr. Bill Mahomes and congratulated them on their appointment to the Board.

Chairman Adams said the purpose of this special meeting was for consideration and action on six items. He called each Regent's name to confirm their participation.

The following members of the Board were present by telephone:

Mr. Phil Adams, Chairman
Mr. Clifton L. Thomas, Vice Chairman
Mr. Anthony G. Buzbee
Mr. Morris E. Foster
Mr. Bill Mahomes
Ms. Elaine Mendoza
Ms. Judy Morgan
Mr. Charles W. Schwartz
Mr. Colton Buckley (Student Regent)

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

Mr. Robert L. Albritton

RECESS TO EXECUTIVE SESSION

Chairman Adams announced that a quorum was present and said the Board would recess to executive session to consider matters as permitted by Chapter 551, Sections 71 and 74 of the Texas Government Code, including Items 1 through 3, and 5. 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.

(Note: The Board met in executive session from 4:10 p.m. until 4:37 p.m.)

RECONVENE IN OPEN SESSION

Chairman Adams reconvened the meeting in open session at 4:38 p.m. and announced that the Board had met in executive session from 4:10 p.m. until 4:37 p.m., and considered Items 1 through 3 and 5, conferred with the Chancellor, several System administrators and attorneys on personnel and legal matters.

Chairman Adams called for a motion to adopt Item 1.

Vice Chairman Thomas moved for adoption of the minute order contained in Item 1. Regent Mendoza seconded the motion. Chairman Adams called each regent’s name to properly record their vote. The record of the vote is as follows: Albritton – yes, Buzbee – yes, Foster – yes, Mahomes – yes, Mendoza – yes, Morgan – yes, Schwartz – yes, Thomas – yes and Chairman Adams voted “yes.”

The following minute order was approved (060).

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**MINUTE ORDER 060-2015 (ITEM 1)**

**APPOINTMENT OF  
MR. MICHAEL K. YOUNG  
AS PRESIDENT OF TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY,  
AND AUTHORIZATION FOR THE CHANCELLOR TO  
EXECUTE AN EMPLOYMENT AGREEMENT,  
THE TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY SYSTEM**

Effective May 1, 2015, Mr. Michael K. Young is hereby appointed president of Texas A&M University, at an initial salary of \$1,000,000.

The Chancellor of The Texas A&M University System is hereby delegated the authority to execute an employment agreement with Mr. Young, upon review for legal sufficiency by the Office of General Counsel.

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Chairman Adams called for a motion for the adoption of Items 2 and 3.

Regent Morgan moved for the adoption of the minute orders contained in Items 2 and 3. Vice Chairman Thomas seconded the motion. Chairman Adams called each regent’s name to properly record their vote. The record of the vote is as follows: Albritton – yes, Buzbee – yes, Foster – yes, Mahomes – yes, Mendoza – yes, Morgan – yes, Schwartz – yes, Thomas – yes and Chairman Adams voted “yes.”

The following minute orders were approved (061 and 062).

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**MINUTE ORDER 061-2015 (ITEM 2)**

**APPOINTMENT OF  
DR. JOYCE M. ALEXANDER  
AS DEAN OF THE COLLEGE OF EDUCATION  
AND HUMAN DEVELOPMENT,  
THE TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY SYSTEM**

Dr. Joyce M. Alexander is hereby appointed Dean of the College of Education and Human Development at Texas A&M University, at an initial salary of \$300,000, effective June 1, 2015.

**MINUTE ORDER 062-2015 (ITEM 3)**

**APPOINTMENT OF  
DR. ELI JONES  
AS DEAN OF THE MAYS BUSINESS SCHOOL,  
THE TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY SYSTEM**

Dr. Eli Jones is hereby appointed Dean of the Mays Business School at Texas A&M University, at an initial salary of \$425,000, effective July 1, 2015.

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Chairman Adams called for a motion to adopt Item 4.

Regent Mendoza moved for adoption of the minute order contained in Item 4. Vice Chairman Thomas seconded the motion. Chairman Adams called each regent's name to properly record their vote. The record of the vote is as follows: Albritton – yes, Buzbee – yes, Foster – yes, Mahomes – yes, Mendoza – yes, Morgan – yes, Schwartz – yes, Thomas – yes and Chairman Adams voted “yes.”

The following minute order was approved (063).

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**MINUTE ORDER 063-2015 (ITEM 4)**

**APPROVAL OF ACADEMIC TENURE, MARCH 2015,  
THE TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY SYSTEM**

The Board of Regents of The Texas A&M University System, in accordance with System Policy 12.01, *Academic Freedom, Responsibility and Tenure*, hereby authorizes the granting of tenure to the following faculty members at Texas A&M University as set forth in the exhibit attached to the official minutes, Tenure List No. 15-03.1.

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Chairman Adams called for a motion for the adoption of Item 5.

Vice Chairman Thomas moved for adoption of the minute order contained in Item 5. Regent Albritton seconded the motion. Chairman Adams called each regent’s name to properly record their vote. The record of the vote is as follows: Albritton – yes, Buzbee – yes, Foster – yes, Mahomes – yes, Mendoza – yes, Morgan – yes, Schwartz – yes, Thomas – yes and Chairman Adams voted “yes.”

The following minute order was approved (064).

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**MINUTE ORDER 064-2015 (ITEM 5)**

**APPOINTMENT OF DR. BRUCE AKEY  
AS DIRECTOR OF THE TEXAS A&M VETERINARY  
MEDICAL DIAGNOSTIC LABORATORY,  
THE TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY SYSTEM**

Effective immediately, Dr. Bruce Akey is hereby appointed the director of the Texas A&M Veterinary Medical Diagnostic Laboratory, at an initial salary of \$228,000.

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Chairman Adams called for a motion to adopt Item 6.

Vice Chairman Thomas moved for adoption of the minute order contained in Item 6. Regent Morgan seconded the motion.

After questions and discussion, Chairman Adams called each regent’s name to properly record their vote. The record of the vote is as follows: Albritton – yes, Buzbee – no, Foster – abstained, Mahomes – yes, Mendoza – yes, Morgan – yes, Schwartz – yes, Thomas – yes and Chairman Adams abstained.”

The following minute order was adopted (065).

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**MINUTE ORDER 065-2015 (ITEM 6)**

**APPOINTMENT OF MR. PHIL ADAMS  
AS A MEMBER OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF  
THE UNIVERSITY OF TEXAS INVESTMENT MANAGEMENT COMPANY,  
THE TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY SYSTEM**

Mr. Phil Adams, a member of the Board of Regents of The Texas A&M University System, is hereby appointed to serve as a director of The University of Texas Investment Management Company, to be effective April 1, 2015 or such earlier date that the position becomes vacant, for a three-year term to expire on April 1, 2018.

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ADJOURN

There being no further business, on motion of Regent Buzbee, seconded by Vice Chairman Thomas and by a unanimous vote, the meeting was adjourned at 4:55 p.m., the same day.

Vickie Burt Spillers
Executive Director, Board of Regents

TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY
RECOMMENDATIONS FOR TENURE
TENURE LIST NO. 15-03.1

<u>Name</u>	<u>Present Rank Department</u>	<u>Yrs. Towards Tenure</u>		<u>Effective Date/Tenure</u>
		<u>Univ./</u>	<u>Other Inst.</u>	
BUSH SCHOOL OF GOVERNMENT AND PUBLIC SERVICE AND SCHOOL OF LAW				
* Michael K. Young	Bush School of Government and Public Service and School of Law	0	37	Upon Approval by the Board and Faculty Arrival
COLLEGE OF EDUCATION AND HUMAN DEVELOPMENT				
* Dr. Joyce M. Alexander	Educational Psychology	0	23	Upon Approval by the Board and Faculty Arrival
MAYS BUSINESS SCHOOL				
* Dr. Eli Jones	Marketing	0	18	Upon Approval by the Board and Faculty Arrival

*Tenure on Arrival

**TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY
BACKGROUND OF FACULTY
RECOMMENDED FOR ACADEMIC TENURE**

BUSH SCHOOL OF GOVERNMENT AND PUBLIC SERVICE AND SCHOOL OF LAW

<u>Name</u>	<u>Department</u>	<u>Present Rank</u>	<u>Effective Date</u>
Michael K. Young	Bush School of Government and Public Service, and School of Law	Professor	Upon Approval by the Board and Faculty Arrival
J.D. (1976)	Harvard Law School		
1978 - 1998	Columbia University	Professor (Tenured 1978)	
1998 - 2004	George Washington University	Professor (Tenured 1998)	
2004 - 2011	University of Utah	Professor (Tenured 2004)	
2011 - 2015	University of Washington	Professor (Tenured 2011)	
Sp 2015	Texas A&M University	Professor	

Michael K. Young is a lawyer specializing in international law and human rights. His previous academic postings include Fuyo Professor of Japanese Law and Legal Institutions and Director of the Center for Japanese Legal Studies at Columbia University and Dean and Lobingier Professor of Comparative Law and Jurisprudence at the George Washington University School of Law. He has served on, and chaired the United States (U.S.) Commission on International Religious Freedom from 1998 to 2006 and, from 1989 to 1993, pursued trade, international, environmental and human rights agreements for the United States as Deputy Under Secretary and Ambassador for Trade & Environmental Affairs in the U.S. Department of State. He has also served on (among others), the Committee on International Judicial Relations for the Judicial Conference of the United States, the Brown v. Board of Education 50th Anniversary Commission, the U.S. Air Force Academy Board of Visitors, and as Counsel on the Select Subcommittee on Transfers of Iranian Arms to Bosnian Muslims. He is a member of the Council on Foreign Relations and also currently serves as a Fellow of the American Bar Foundation and on the American Council on Education Commission on International Initiatives. He has authored seven books and 59 journal articles and is the recipient of a wide variety of awards and honors.

He has published and taught extensively on a wide range of topics, including the Japanese legal system, dispute resolution, mergers and acquisitions, labor relations, the legal profession, comparative law, industrial policy, international trade law, the North American Free Trade Agreement (NAFTA), the General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade (GATT), international environmental law and international human rights and freedom of religion.

COLLEGE OF EDUCATION AND HUMAN DEVELOPMENT

<u>Name</u>	<u>Department</u>	<u>Present Rank</u>	<u>Effective Date</u>
Dr. Joyce M. Alexander	Educational Psychology	Professor	Upon Approval by the Board and Faculty Arrival
PhD (1992)	University of Georgia, Athens		
Fa 1992 - Sp 1998	Indiana University	Assistant Professor	
Fa 1998 - Sp 2009	Indiana University	Associate Professor (Tenured 1998)	
Fa 2009 - Fa 2014	Indiana University	Professor	
Su 2015	Texas A&M University	Professor	

Dr. Joyce M. Alexander's area of expertise is in young children's learning, particularly in relation to cognitive ability, and learning about science. She published in the major journals of psychology and educational psychology in this area. Dr. Alexander received over \$400,000 in grant awards. Her studies of young children's developing interests in science have been the first longitudinal studies conducted in this area, supported by the National Science Foundation. She has served on National Science Foundation and Smithsonian Foundation panels concerning these areas.

Dr. Alexander teaches undergraduate courses in educational psychology, child development and early childhood socialization, and graduate courses in motivation, instructional psychology, cognition and learning strategies, children's thinking, and college teaching. She received the Indiana University's Teaching Excellence Recognition Award.

MAYS BUSINESS SCHOOL

<u>Name</u>	<u>Department</u>	<u>Present Rank</u>	<u>Effective Date</u>
Dr. Eli Jones	Marketing	Professor	Upon Approval by the Board and Faculty Arrival
Ph.D. (1997)	Texas A&M University		
1997 - 2008	University of Houston	Professor (Tenured 2002)	
2008 - 2012	Louisiana State University	Professor (Tenured 2008)	
2012 - 2015	University of Arkansas	Professor (Tenured 2012)	
Su 2015	Texas A&M University	Professor	

Dr. Eli Jones' primary focus is in marketing. He previously served as the Dean of two flagship SEC Universities. He published 38 scholarly articles, four books and 38 conference proceedings. He has received over \$75K in external funding. He has served on the Editorial Review Boards of five journals including the *Journal of the Academy of Marketing Science* and the *Journal of Personal Selling and Sales Management*. He received the About You Magazine's "Most Powerful Man in Education" in 2014.

Dr. Jones has taught marketing courses at the graduate and undergraduate levels. He chaired two doctoral dissertation committees and served on numerous others.