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CONVENE

Chairman Clifton L. Thomas, Jr. convened a special telephonic meeting of the Board of Regents of The Texas A&M University System, at 2:31 p.m., Friday, August 5, 2016, in the Board Meeting Room, on the campus of Texas A&M University, College Station, Texas.

Chairman Thomas said the purpose of this special meeting was for consideration and action on three items. He called each Regent's name to confirm their participation. Mr. Thomas congratulated Ms. Stephanie Y. Martinez on her appointment to the Board as the student regent.

The following members of the Board were present by telephone:

Mr. Clifton L. Thomas, Jr., Chairman
Ms. Elaine Mendoza, Vice Chairman
Mr. Phil Adams
Mr. Robert L. Albritton
Mr. Anthony G. Buzbee
Mr. Morris E. Foster
Mr. Bill Mahomes
Ms. Stephanie Y. Martinez (Student Regent)

The following members of the Board were present in the meeting room:

Ms. Judy Morgan
Mr. Charles W. Schwartz

RECESS TO EXECUTIVE SESSION

Chairman Thomas 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 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.

(Note: The Board met in executive session from 2:39 p.m. until 3:10 p.m.)

RECONVENE IN OPEN SESSION

Chairman Thomas reconvened the meeting in open session at 3:12 p.m. and announced that the Board had met in executive session from 2:39 p.m. until 3:10 p.m., and considered Items 1 and 2, conferred with the Chancellor, several university and system administrators and attorneys on personnel and legal matters.

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

The following minute order was approved (132).

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**MINUTE ORDER 132-2016 (ITEM 1)**

**NAMING OF  
DR. WALTER WENDLER  
AS THE SOLE FINALIST FOR THE POSITION OF  
PRESIDENT OF WEST TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY,  
THE TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY SYSTEM**

Dr. Walter Wendler is hereby named the sole finalist for the position of President of West Texas A&M University. As required by state law, final action may be taken after the 21-day notice is given.

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

The following minute order was approved (133).

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**MINUTE ORDER 133-2016 (ITEM 2)**

**APPOINTMENT OF  
MS. M. DEE CHILDS  
AS VICE PRESIDENT FOR INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY  
AND CHIEF INFORMATION OFFICER,  
TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY**

Effective September 1, 2016, Ms. M. Dee Childs is hereby appointed Vice President for Information Technology and Chief Information Officer at Texas A&M University, at an initial salary of \$275,000.

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Chairman Thomas called on Mr. Michael Young, President of Texas A&M University, who presented Item 3.

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

The following minute order was approved (134).

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**MINUTE ORDER 134-2016 (ITEM 3)**

**NAMING OF THE “STEPHEN C. ASH '87 LEADERSHIP LEARNING CENTER” AND  
THE “SUSAN & MICHAEL J. PLANK '83 LEADERSHIP LEARNING CENTER,”  
TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY**

The Board of Regents of The Texas A&M University System hereby names the following Leadership Learning Centers located on the northwest and northeast sides of the Corps of Cadets Quadrangle on the Texas A&M University campus:

Leadership Learning Center between Spence and Briggs Halls – “Stephen C. Ash '87 Leadership Learning Center”

Leadership Learning Center between Keist and Fountain Halls – “Susan & Michael J. Plank '83 Leadership Learning Center”

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ADJOURN

There being no further business, on motion of Regent Buzbee, seconded by Regent Adams and by a unanimous vote, the meeting was adjourned at 3:16 p.m.

Vickie Burt Spillers
Executive Director, Board of Regents