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Chairman Clifton L. Thomas, Jr. convened a special telephonic meeting of the Board of Regents of The Texas A&M University System, at 3:04 p.m., Tuesday, October 18, 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.

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. Morris E. Foster
- Mr. Bill Mahomes
- Ms. Judy Morgan
- Mr. Charles W. Schwartz
- Ms. Stephanie Y. Martinez (Student Regent)

The following members of the Board did not participate:

- Mr. Robert L. Albritton
- Mr. Anthony G. Buzbee

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 through 3. 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 3:06 p.m. until 3:17 p.m.)

Chairman Thomas reconvened the meeting in open session at 3:18 p.m. and announced that the Board had met in executive session from 3:06 p.m. until 3:17 p.m., and considered Items 1 through 3, conferred with the Chancellor, several university and system administrators and attorneys on personnel and legal matters.
Chairman Thomas presented Items 1 through 3. He then called for a motion to adopt Items 1 through 3. Vice Chairman Mendoza moved for adoption of the minute orders contained in Items 1 through 3. Regent Morgan 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, Foster – yes, Mahomes – yes, Mendoza – yes, Morgan – yes, Schwartz – yes, and Chairman Thomas voted “yes.”

The following minute orders were approved (221 through 223).

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MINUTE ORDER 221-2016 (ITEM 1)

NAMING OF
DR. PABLO ARENAZ,
AS THE SOLE FINALIST FOR THE POSITION OF
PRESIDENT OF TEXAS A&M INTERNATIONAL UNIVERSITY,
THE TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY SYSTEM

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

MINUTE ORDER 222-2016 (ITEM 2)

NAMING OF
DR. RAY M. KECK, III,
AS THE SOLE FINALIST FOR THE POSITION OF
PRESIDENT OF TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY-COMMERCE,
THE TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY SYSTEM

Dr. Ray M. Keck, III is hereby named the sole finalist for the position of president of Texas A&M University-Commerce. As required by state law, final action may be taken after the 21-day notice is given.

MINUTE ORDER 223-2016 (ITEM 3)

APPOINTMENT OF
DR. KELLY QUINTANILLA,
AS INTERIM PRESIDENT OF
TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY-CORPUS CHRISTI,
THE TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY SYSTEM

Effective January 1, 2017, Dr. Kelly Quintanilla is hereby appointed interim president of Texas A&M University-Corpus Christi at an initial salary of $208,101, plus an administrative stipend at the rate of $40,000 per year in recognition of her additional duties as interim president.

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ADJOURN

There being no further business, on motion of Regent Mahomes, seconded by Vice Chairman Mendoza and by a unanimous vote, the meeting was adjourned at 3:19 p.m.

Vickie Burt Spillers
Executive Director, Board of Regents