

MINUTES

**SPECIAL WORKSHOP MEETING OF THE
BOARD OF REGENTS**

THE TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY SYSTEM

HELD IN

COLLEGE STATION, TEXAS

November 12, 2020

(Approved February 4, 2021)

**MINUTES OF THE
SPECIAL WORKSHOP MEETING
BOARD OF REGENTS, THE TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY SYSTEM**

November 12, 2020

Chairman Elaine Mendoza convened a special workshop meeting of the Board of Regents of The Texas A&M University System at 2:00 p.m., Thursday, November 12, 2020, in the Century Ballroom of the Doug Pitcock '49 Texas A&M Hotel & Conference Center on the campus of Texas A&M University, College Station, Texas. The following members of the Board were present:

Ms. Elaine Mendoza, Chairman
Mr. Tim Leach, Vice Chairman
Mr. Phil Adams
Mr. Robert L. Albritton
Mr. Jay Graham
Mr. Michael A. Hernandez
Mr. Bill Mahomes
Mr. Michael J. Plank
Mr. Clifton L. Thomas, Jr.
Mr. Cahlen Cheatham (Student Regent)

Chairman Mendoza announced that a quorum was present and that they would receive briefings from System executives and invited guests.

Chairman Mendoza called on Dr. Katherine Banks, A&M System Vice Chancellor of Engineering and National Laboratories, Dean of the College of Engineering and Director of the Texas A&M Engineering Experiment Station (TEES), who presented an update on TEES research activities at the RELIS campus.

Next, Chairman Mendoza called on Mr. Ray Bonilla, A&M System General Counsel, for an update on the implementation of free speech policies at Texas A&M University. President Michael K. Young and Dr. Danny Pugh, Vice President for Student Affairs, also discussed the policies.

Chairman Mendoza called on Ms. Amy Smith, Senior Vice President and Chief Marketing and Communication Officer, who presented an update on marketing activities at Texas A&M during the COVID-19 pandemic.

(Note: Regent Plank and Regent Graham departed the meeting at 4:50 p.m. and were not present for the last discussion on Public Private Partnerships.)

Lastly, Mr. Billy Hamilton, Deputy Chancellor and Chief Financial Officer; Ms. Maria Robinson, Chief Investment Officer and Treasurer, and Dr. Jerry Strawser, Texas A&M Executive Vice President and Chief Financial Officer, presented an update on Public-Private Partnerships (P3) at the A&M System.

(Note: Regent Adams departed the meeting at 5:15 p.m.)

Following the presentations and discussions, Chairman Mendoza adjourned the meeting at 5:44 p.m. the same day.

Vickie Burt Spillers
Executive Director, Board of Regents