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CONVENE

Chairman Elaine Mendoza convened a special telephonic meeting of the Board of Regents of The Texas A&M University System at 3:52 p.m., Wednesday, December 11, 2019, Room L526, Memorial Student Center, on the campus of Texas A&M University, College Station, Texas.

Chairman Mendoza said the Board had one agenda item for consideration and action as shown in the agenda materials posted with the Secretary of State. She said that each party to the conference call should clearly identify himself or herself prior to speaking.

The following members of the Board were present by phone:

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. Levi McClenny (Student Regent)

The following member of the Board did not participate:

Mr. Clifton L. Thomas, Jr.

RECESS TO EXECUTIVE SESSION

Chairman Mendoza said the Board would recess to executive session to consider matters as permitted by Chapter 551, Sections 71 and 72, of the <u>Texas Government Code</u>. She 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 3:54 p.m. until 4:23 p.m.)

RECONVENE IN OPEN SESSION

Chairman Mendoza reconvened the meeting in open session at 4:23 p.m. and announced that the Board had met in executive session from 3:54 p.m. until 4:23 p.m., and conferred with Chancellor Sharp, administration and attorneys on legal and real estate matters including Item 1.

Chairman Mendoza called for a motion on Item 1. Regent Mahomes moved for adoption of the minute order contained in Item 1. Regent Adams seconded the motion. Chairman Mendoza called each regent's name for the vote. The record of the vote is as follows: Adams – yes, Albritton – yes, Graham – yes, Hernandez – yes, Leach – yes, Mahomes – yes, and Plank - yes.

The following minute order was approved (245).

MINUTE ORDER 245-2019

AUTHORIZATION TO PURCHASE APPROXIMATELY 333 ACRES OF LAND IN BRAZOS COUNTY, TEXAS, THE TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY SYSTEM

The Chancellor of The Texas A&M University System, or designee, following a review for legal sufficiency by the Office of General Counsel, is authorized to execute and deliver all documents, and to take all other actions, necessary to purchase approximately 333 acres of land in Brazos County, Texas. The amount of \$2,100,000, plus applicable closing costs, is appropriated from Account No. 01-084243, Permanent University Fund Debt Proceeds.

The Board of Regents of The Texas A&M University System (Board) reasonably expects to incur debt in one or more obligations for this project, and all or a portion of the proceeds received from the sale of such obligations is reasonably expected to be used to reimburse the account(s) for amounts previously appropriated and/or expended from such account(s).

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Chairman Mendoza said in preparation for the February 5-7, 2020, Board meeting in Laredo, she had asked System staff to send materials to members of the Board in advance to make the meetings more efficient and give them an opportunity to raise questions or concerns prior to the meetings. Chairman Mendoza said that the following materials would be mailed to Regents on January 6, 2020: 1) draft policy regarding the board self-evaluation, 2) draft survey regarding changes to the contracting policy, and 3) a go-forward plan that identifies the next steps in the strategic planning process.

### **ADJOURN**

There being no further business, on motion of Regent Adams, seconded by Regent Hernandez, Chairman Mendoza adjourned the meeting at 4:26 p.m.

Vickie Burt Spillers Executive Director, Board of Regents

(Minutes transcribed by Jackie Bell, Office of the Board of Regents.)