

**MINUTES**

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BOARD OF REGENTS**

**THE TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY SYSTEM**

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BOARD OF REGENTS, THE TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY SYSTEM**

**March 3, 2021**

**CONVENE**

Chairman Elaine Mendoza convened a special meeting of the Board of Regents of The Texas A&M University System at 2:30 p.m., Wednesday, March 3, 2021, 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)

**RECESS TO EXECUTIVE SESSION**

Chairman Mendoza said the Board would recess to executive session to consider matters as permitted by Chapter 551, Sections 71, 72, and 74 of the Texas Government Code. 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 2:32 p.m. until 4:58 p.m.)*

**RECONVENE IN OPEN SESSION**

Chairman Mendoza reconvened the meeting in open session at 4:59 p.m. and announced that the Board had met in executive session from 2:32 p.m. until 4:58 p.m., and considered executive session agenda items, conferred with Chancellor Sharp, administration and attorneys on personnel, real property and legal matters.

Chairman Mendoza presented Item 2 and called for a motion. On motion of Regent Albritton, seconded by Vice Chairman Leach and by a unanimous vote, the following minute order was approved (042).

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**MINUTE ORDER 042-2021 (ITEM 2)**

**AUTHORIZATION TO NEGOTIATE AND EXECUTE  
A SPACE LEASE IN A BUILDING LOCATED AT  
8750 N. CENTRAL EXPRESSWAY IN DALLAS, TEXAS,  
TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY-COMMERCE**

The Chancellor of The Texas A&M University System, or designee, following legal review by the Office of General Counsel, is authorized to negotiate, execute and deliver a lease agreement for approximately 51,517 square feet of space in the building located at 8750 N. Central Expressway in Dallas, Texas, and to take any and all additional action and execute any and all ancillary documents deemed necessary to consummate the transaction.

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Chairman Mendoza said Chancellor Sharp had recommended that Dr. M. Katherine Banks to be named sole finalist for the position of President of Texas A&M University, and as required by state law, final action would be taken after 21 days.

Chairman Mendoza called for a motion on Item 1. On motion of Regent Albritton, seconded by Regent Plank and by a unanimous vote the following minute order was approved (043).

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**MINUTE ORDER 043-2021 (ITEM 1)**

**NAMING OF  
DR. M. KATHERINE BANKS,  
AS THE SOLE FINALIST FOR THE POSITION OF  
PRESIDENT OF TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY,  
THE TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY SYSTEM**

Dr. M. Katherine Banks is hereby named the sole finalist for the position of President of 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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**ADJOURN**

There being no further business, Chairman Mendoza adjourned the meeting at 5:01 p.m.

Vickie Burt Spillers  
Executive Director, Board of Regents

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