#### **MINUTES**

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#### MINUTES OF THE SPECIAL TELEPHONIC MEETING BOARD OF REGENTS, THE TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY SYSTEM

#### October 21, 2021

#### **CONVENE**

Chairman Tim Leach convened a special telephonic meeting of the Board of Regents of The Texas A&M University System at 1:02 p.m., Thursday, October 21, 2021.

Chairman Leach said the agenda items had been sent to each Regent and posted with the Secretary of State. He asked that each party to the conference call should clearly identify himself or herself prior to speaking.

The following members of the Board were present:

Mr. Tim Leach, Chairman

Mr. Bill Mahomes, Vice Chairman

Mr. Robert L. Albritton

Mr. Randy Brooks

Mr. Jay Graham

Mr. Michael A. Hernandez

Ms. Elaine Mendoza

Mr. Michael J. Plank

Mr. Clifton L. Thomas, Jr.

Ms. Matilin Rigsby (Student Regent)

#### RECESS TO EXECUTIVE SESSION

Chairman Leach said the Board would recess to executive session to consider matters as permitted by Chapter 551, Sections 71, 72 and 74 of the <u>Texas Government Code</u>. 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 1:05 p.m. until 2:05 p.m.)

#### RECONVENE IN OPEN SESSION

Chairman Leach reconvened the meeting in open session at 2:06 p.m. and announced that the Board had met in executive session from 1:05 p.m. until 2:05 p.m., and conferred with Chancellor Sharp, administration and attorneys on legal and personnel matters including Items 1 and 2.

Chairman Leach called on Mr. Nim Kidd, Vice Chancellor for Disaster and Emergency Services and Chief of the Texas Division of Emergency Management (TDEM), who presented Item 3. Mr. Kidd said in August of 2020, they asked permission to spend \$50 million to purchase warehouses. He said that the Legislature gave them \$60 million in 2021. Mr. Kidd said their request is to receive approval to spend the increase in appropriated funds.

Chairman Leach asked if there was any further discussion. There being none he called for a motion on Items 1 through 3. Regent Albritton moved adoption of the minute orders contained in Items 1 through 3. Regent Mendoza seconded the motion. Chairman Leach called each regent's name for the vote. The record of the vote is as follows: Albritton – yes, Brooks – yes, Graham – yes, Hernandez – yes, Mahomes – yes, Mendoza – yes, Plank – yes, Thomas – yes and Chairman Leach voted "yes."

The following minute orders were approved (181 through 183).

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#### **MINUTE ORDER 181-2021 (ITEM 1)**

AUTHORIZATION TO AMEND GROUND LEASE OF APPROXIMATELY 48 ACRES OF LAND RELATING TO THE PARK WEST STUDENT HOUSING DEVELOPMENT IN BRAZOS COUNTY, TEXAS, TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY

The Chancellor of The Texas A&M University System, or designee, following approval for legal sufficiency by the Office of General Counsel, is authorized to (i) amend the ground lease with NCCD-College Station Properties LLC to extend the term an additional 10 years and to make other changes to the ground lease deemed advisable to facilitate a refinancing of the Series 2015 Bonds payable by NCCD-College Station Properties LLC, (ii) consent to the refinancing of the Series 2015 Bonds payable by NCCD-College Station Properties LLC, and (iii) execute any and all documents and take any and all other actions deemed necessary to consummate the refinancing transaction.

#### **MINUTE ORDER 182-2021 (ITEM 2)**

# AUTHORIZATION FOR THE PRESIDENT TO NEGOTIATE AND EXECUTE A REIMBURSEMENT AGREEMENT WITH THE ASSOCIATION OF FORMER STUDENTS FOR COSTS INCURRED FOR THE STORMWATER SYSTEM PROJECT, TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY

The Board of Regents of The Texas A&M University System authorizes the President of Texas A&M University to negotiate and execute a Reimbursement Agreement, including any other related documents, with The Association of Former Students for reimbursement of costs incurred by The Association of Former Students for modifications to the stormwater management and drainage detention system (Stormwater System Project) on property leased by The Association of Former Students from The Texas A&M University System. The total reimbursement under the Reimbursement Agreement will not exceed ten million dollars (\$10,000,000). The execution of these documents is subject to review for legal form and sufficiency by the Office of General Counsel.

#### **MINUTE ORDER 183-2021 (ITEM 3)**

#### ACTION TO INCREASE BY \$10 MILLION THE AUTHORIZATION PREVIOUSLY GRANTED TO TDEM FOR PURCHASE OF WAREHOUSE PROPERTIES, TEXAS DIVISION OF EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT

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 take all steps necessary to negotiate, execute and deliver all documents, and to take all other actions necessary to purchase multiple warehouses identified by the Texas Division of Emergency Management for the management and storage of strategic supplies, equipment, resources, and other commodities. The total combined expenditure for the purchases is not to exceed \$60 Million.

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### BRIEFING REGARDING ACTION TAKEN BY 87<sup>TH</sup> LEGISLATURE IN THIRD CALLED SESSION

Chairman Leach called on Ms. Jenny Jones, A&M System Vice Chancellor for Governmental Relations, who presented a legislative overview (a copy of which is on file in the Office of the Board of Regents).

Chairman Leach congratulated and thanked Ms. Jones, Chancellor Sharp and the entire team.

#### **ADJOURN**

There being no further business, on motion of Regent Mendoza, seconded by Vice Chairman Mahomes, the meeting was adjourned at 2:15 p.m.

Vickie Burt Spillers Executive Director, Board of Regents

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