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CONVENE

Vice Chairman Jay Graham convened a special meeting of the Board of Regents of The Texas A&M University System at 3:30 p.m., Monday, April 13, 2026, in the Board Meeting Room, Board of Regents Annex, on the campus of Texas A&M University, College Station, Texas.

The following member of the Board was present in the Board meeting room:

Vice Chairman Jay Graham

The following members of the Board were present by telephone:

Chairman Robert L. Albritton
Regent John Bellinger
Regent Randy Brooks
Regent Mike Hernandez
Regent Bill Mahomes
Regent Kelley Sullivan Georgiades
Regent Sam Torn
Student Regent Jaquavous Doucette

The following member of the Board was not present:

Regent David Baggett

Vice Chairman Graham told Chairman Albritton that it was great to hear his voice and a true blessing to have him back. He said the Board hopes he's feeling better and was very grateful to have him participate in this meeting.

Chairman Albritton expressed his appreciation and said he was thankful to be back.

RECESS TO EXECUTIVE SESSION

Vice Chairman Graham announced that the agenda for this meeting was to discuss personnel matters related to the search for the President of Texas A&M University, including Item 1, which concerns consideration and possible action on naming the finalist for the position of President of Texas A&M University.

Vice Chairman Graham recessed the meeting to executive session as permitted by Texas Government Code 551, Sections .071 and .074. He announced that, in accordance with the law, no

final action, decision, or vote regarding any matter considered in the executive session would be taken.

Note: The Board met in executive session from 3:34 p.m. until 4:03 p.m.

RECONVENE IN OPEN SESSION

Vice Chairman Graham reconvened the meeting in open session at 4:04 p.m. He stated that the Board had discussed legal and personnel matters under Agenda Item 1.

Vice Chairman Graham asked Chancellor Glenn Hegar to present Item 1.

Chancellor Hegar thanked the Board members and recommended that the Board approve Dr. Susan Ballabina as the sole finalist. He said there was a full national search with a very strong pool of candidates. She emerged as the finalist based on her experience, judgment, and ability to lead. Chancellor Hegar said she has brought more than 30 years of experience across The Texas A&M University System and has led major efforts in disaster recovery, public health, and community outreach. He added that Dr. Ballabina knows how to manage complex organizations and deliver results. He said he was confident that she could step in immediately and lead with confidence. She is a proven leader who delivers results for Texas A&M University and for the state of Texas. With that, Chancellor Hegar asked the Board to move to name her as the sole finalist for the position of President of Texas A&M University.

Regent Torn moved to adopt the minute order naming Dr. Susan Ballabina as the finalist for the position of President of Texas A&M University. Regent Brooks seconded the motion. There being no discussion, by a roll-call vote, the following minute order was unanimously approved (094).

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**MINUTE ORDER 094-2026 (ITEM 1)**

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

Dr. Susan Ballabina is hereby named the sole finalist for the position of President of Texas A&M University. The Board makes this appointment pursuant to Texas Education Code §§ 51.352(d)(3) and .913 and System Policy 01.03. As required by state law, final action may be taken after the 21-day notice is given.

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Vice Chairman Graham said that Dr. Ballabina had been named the finalist for the position of President of Texas A&M University, and final Board action would be taken after 21 days, as

required by state law. He said, on behalf of Chairman Albritton and the entire Board, that they are confident in Dr. Ballabina and in today's decision.

Vice Chairman Graham said Dr. Ballabina has spent her career serving Texas A&M and the people who make this university special. Every member of the Board knows her, has worked with her, and has seen firsthand her steady leadership, her sound judgment, and her constant commitment to making Texas A&M better. He said she understands what makes this place unique -- our values, our traditions, and our responsibility to serve the people of Texas. The Board knows the kind of leader she is and is confident that she is the right person to lead Texas A&M forward.

Vice Chairman Graham said on behalf of the Board that he also wanted to thank Mr. Tommy Williams for his steady service as Interim President during this transition. He said Mr. Williams provided important stability and leadership for the university, and the Board was grateful for his continued commitment to Texas A&M.

ADJOURN

There being no further business, on motion of Regent Mahomes, seconded by Regent Hernandez, the meeting was adjourned at 4:08 p.m.

Vickie Burt Spillers
Executive Director, Board of Regents