

MINUTES

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

THE TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY SYSTEM

HELD IN

COLLEGE STATION, TEXAS

February 8-9, 2024

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CONVENE

Chairman Bill Mahomes convened a special workshop meeting of the Board of Regents of The Texas A&M University System at 3:15 p.m., Thursday, February 8, 2024, in the Memorial Student Center, Room 2300E, College Station Texas.

The following members of the Board were present:

Mr. Bill Mahomes, Chairman
Mr. David Baggett
Mr. John Bellinger
Mr. Randy Brooks
Mr. Jay Graham
Mr. Michael A. Hernandez
Mr. Michael J. Plank
Mr. Sam Torn
Ms. Elizabeth “Annie” Valicek, Student Regent

The following member of the Board was not present:

Mr. Robert L. Albritton, Vice Chairman

Chairman Mahomes announced that a quorum was present and that the Board would receive briefings from System executives and invited guests.

Dr. Nate Sharp, Dean of the Mays Business School, Texas A&M University, provided a presentation on the programs and initiatives of the school. (*Presentation on file in the Office of the Board of Regents.*)

Gen. Mark Welsh III, President, Texas A&M, and Dr. Alan Sams, Executive Vice President and Provost, provided a presentation on entrepreneurship programs at Texas A&M. (*Presentation on file in the Office of the Board of Regents.*)

Gen. Patrick R. Michaelis, Commandant of the Corps of Cadets, provided an update on the Texas A&M Corps of Cadets. There was a discussion of the policies on hazing and Gen. Joe E. Ramirez, Jr., Vice President for Student Affairs, said he would provide a report at the next meeting, if needed. (*Presentation on file in the Office of the Board of Regents.*)

Gen. Ramirez, discussed enhanced outreach activities of Texas A&M for students, former students and the community. (*Presentation is on file in the Office of the Board of Regents.*)

RECESS

Chairman Mahomes recessed the meeting at 5:38 p.m. and announced that the Board would reconvene the following morning.

RECONVENE

Chairman Mahomes reconvened the meeting at 9:07 a.m., Friday, February 9, 2024, with the quorum of the Board present.

(Note: Regents Albritton and Graham were not present.)

Ms. Jenny Jones, Vice Chancellor for Government Relations, discussed the process for developing a new policy institute.

Mr. Billy Hamilton, Deputy Chancellor and Chief Financial Officer, provided a presentation on the development of the Texas A&M Fort Worth campus. *(Presentation is on file in the Office of the Board of Regents.)*

Dr. Pete O’Neill, Chief Innovation Officer and Associate Vice Chancellor, provided a presentation on activities relating to commercialization of System intellectual property. *(Presentation is on file in the Office of the Board of Regents.)*

Dr. Nancy Currie-Gregg, Director, Texas A&M Space Institute, Dr. Robert Ambrose, Professor of Mechanical Engineering, Texas A&M, and Mr. John Crawford, Vice President for Finance and Chief Financial Officer, Texas A&M, provided a presentation on the Texas A&M Space Institute. *(Presentation is on file in the Office of the Board of Regents.)*

Lastly, Mr. Joseph Duron, System Chief Administrative Officer, Dr. Robert Vela, President, Texas A&M University-Kingsville, and Mr. Chad Hancock, Area Manager for Planning Services, Gordian, provided presentations on future plans to address deferred maintenance at System universities and agencies. *(Presentations are on file in the Office of the Board of Regents.)*

ADJOURN

There being no further business, Chairman Mahomes adjourned the meeting at 11:58 a.m., Friday, February 9, 2024.

Vickie Burt Spillers
Executive Director, Board of Regents

(Minutes prepared by Dee Rodriguez, Office of the Board of Regents.)