

NOTICE OF OPEN MEETING FOR SUBMISSION TO  
SECRETARY OF STATE/TEXAS REGISTER DIVISION

Agency Name: Texas A&M University System Board of Regents

Board: The Texas A&M University System

Date of Meeting: 7/31/2024

Time of Meeting: 10:00 am

Street Location: 275 Joe Rouff Boulevard, Memorial Student Center (MSC), Bethancourt Ballroom. Members of the public may also access the meeting at <https://www.tamus.edu/regents/live-streams/>

City Location: College Station

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The meetings of the Board of Regents of The Texas A&M University System, and standing committees, will cover a 3-day period, from July 31, 2024, starting at 10:00 am, Room 2300E. The meeting will reconvene on August 1, 2024, starting at 8:00 am, Room 2300E. If additional time is needed, the meeting will reconvene August 2, 2024, starting at 8:00 am, Room 2300E. Any member of the Board may attend meetings, thereby creating a quorum of the full Board.

Meetings are scheduled to follow each other consecutively and may start earlier or later than the posted time depending on the length of the discussions and the reports of previous meetings. Action items are scheduled to follow each other consecutively but may be taken out of order. The estimated times given in the posting are only approximate and may be adjusted as required with no prior notice.

Because some Board members who are not committee members may attend the committee meetings and thereby create a quorum of the full Board, the meetings of the committees are posted as a meeting of the full Board.

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The Board of Regents of The Texas A&M University System will convene a meeting according to the following agenda:

**WEDNESDAY, JULY 31, 2024**

10:00 AM, MSC 2300E

CONVENE BOARD MEETING AND IMMEDIATELY RECESS TO EXECUTIVE SESSION

*\*Executive Session Note – the Board will recess Wednesday morning’s executive session for meetings of the Standing Committees scheduled to convene at 2:00 pm, the same day.*

*The Board will reconvene in executive session at 8:00 am, Thursday, August 1, 2024.  
If additional time is needed, the Board will reconvene in executive session on Wednesday afternoon, July 31, 2024, and/or 8:00 am, Friday, August 2, 2024.*

Executive Session Agenda:

-Consultation with System Attorneys Regarding Legal Matters or Pending and/or Contemplated Litigation or Settlement Offers – Texas Government Code, Section 551.071; including:

Discussion with Counsel on pending legal matters including, but not limited to, contemplated and/or pending litigation, contemplated, on-going and/or completed investigations regarding institutional compliance and any findings, conclusions and/or recommendations thereto; and the status of negotiations regarding and/or compliance with certain letters of intent, contracts and/or similar agreements, including, but not limited to, legal obligations and duties and any and all facts relating thereto, including:

--Discussion of legal issues relating to Item 5.6 regarding Authorization for the President to Execute New Employment Contracts for the Head Baseball Coach and an Assistant Baseball Coach, Texas A&M\*

--Discussion of legal issues relating to Item 5.1 and certification of System compliance with SB 17\*

--Discussion of legal issues relating to potential name change for Texas A&M University – Commerce

--Discussion of legal issues relating to NIL antitrust litigation against NCAA and Power 5 conferences

--Discussion of legal issues relating to Biden Administration Title IX regulations and related court orders

--Discussion of legal issues relating to IT outage at certain System institutions arising from CrowdStrike event

--Discussion of legal issues relating to the System’s participation in the management and operation of the Pantex plant

Deliberations Regarding the Purchase, Exchange, Lease, or Value of Real Property - Texas Government Code, Section 551.072; including discussion regarding possible terms and conditions and related negotiations involving the potential purchase, exchange, or lease of real property; including:

5.2) \*Authorization to Purchase Approximately 35.45 Acres of Land Located on University Avenue in Texarkana, Bowie County, Texas, TAMUT

5.3) \*Authorization to Purchase Mid-Cities Logistics, Building A, Located at 3153 Sandy Lane in Fort Worth, Tarrant County, Texas, and Approval to Amend the FY 2025-FY 2029 Texas A&M University System Capital Plan to add the TDEM Fort Worth Warehouse Modifications Project with an Immediate Start Date, TDEM

5.5) \*Authorization to Execute an Interlocal Agreement with the Research and Innovation Local Government Corporation in Fort Worth, Texas, A&M System

Deliberations Regarding Gifts and Donations – Texas Government Code, Section 551.073

Deliberations Regarding Personnel Matters Relating to Appointment, Employment, Evaluation, Reassignment, Duties, Discipline or Dismissal of an Officer or Employee, or to Hear Complaints or Charges Against an Officer or Employee – Texas Government Code, Section 551.074, including:

Presidents and/or Chief Executive Officers of A&M System Institutions (Universities, Agencies and Health Science Center); A&M System Office Executive Level employees; employees reporting directly to the Board (e.g., Chancellor, Executive Director and Chief Auditor); and all other employees of the A&M System Offices and Institutions, including:

--Discussion of Chancellor's annual performance evaluations of System CEOs, A&M System

Deliberations regarding security devices or security audits – Texas Government Code, Section 551.076

Recess Executive Session

#### COMMITTEE MEETINGS – MSC 2300C

#### 2:00 PM - MEETING OF THE COMMITTEE ON ACADEMIC AND STUDENT AFFAIRS

- 1) Chairman's Welcome and Comments Regarding Meeting Agenda - Regent Michael Plank
- 2) Presentation and Discussion of Status of the Regents Affordability Initiative - James Hallmark
- 3) Presentation, Discussion and Committee Approval of Proposed Changes in Policy
  - a) Agenda Item 4.1, Revisions to Policy 12.03 on Academic Workload and Reporting Requirements - James Hallmark

- b) Agenda Item 4.1, Revisions to Policy 12.07 on Fixed Term Academic Professional Track Faculty - James Hallmark
- c) Agenda Item 4.2, Revisions to Policy 15.04 on Sponsored Research Services - Joe Elabd
- 4) Presentation and Discussion of Items from Previous Meeting - James Hallmark
  - a) Entrance Requirements for Honors classes/programs/colleges
  - b) Surveys of Student Experiences
  - c) Nursing Programs
- 5) Discussion of Next Steps and Directions for Items 2-4

MEETING OF THE COMMITTEE ON BUILDINGS AND PHYSICAL PLANT (this meeting is scheduled to follow the recess/adjournment of the meeting of the Committee on Academic and Student Affairs at approximately 3:00 pm)

- 1) Chairman's Welcome and Comments Regarding Meeting Agenda – Regent Randy Brooks
- 2) Presentation and Committee Action on Items 3.1 through 3.8

Items 3.1 through 3.8

3.1) Approval of the Project Scope and Budget, Appropriation for Construction Services, and Approval for Construction for the Public Safety Facility Project, West Texas A&M University, Canyon, Texas (Project No. 18-3369), A&M System

3.2) Approval of the Project Scope and Budget, Appropriation for Construction Services, and Approval for Construction for the School of Dentistry Main Building Renovations Project, Texas A&M University Health Science Center, Dallas, Texas (Project No. 23-3400), A&M System

3.3) Approval of the Project Scope and Budget, Appropriation for Construction Services, and Approval for Construction for the Avenue D South Extension & Utility Upgrades Project, Texas A&M-RELLIS, Bryan, Texas (Project No. 26-3351), A&M System

3.4) Approval of the Project Scope and Increased Budget, Appropriation for Construction Services, and Approval for Construction for the Alkek Building Roof & Exhaust Fan Replacement Project, Texas A&M University Health Science Center, Houston, Texas (SSC Project No. 22-0209), Texas A&M

3.5) Approval to Amend the FY 2025 – FY 2029 Texas A&M University System Capital Plan to Change the Fiscal Year Designation for Project Initiation and Appropriate Funding for Pre-Construction Services for the Heldenfels 4th Floor Instructional Lab Renovation Project for Texas A&M University (Project No. 02-3432), Texas A&M

3.6) Approval to Amend the FY 2025-FY 2029 A&M System Capital Plan to Add the Corpus Christi Workforce Development Project for Texas A&M Engineering Extension Service, Corpus Christi, Texas (Project No. 09-3436), with an FY 2024 Start Date and Appropriate Funding for Preconstruction Services, TEEEX

3.7) Approval to Amend the FY 2025-FY 2029 A&M System Capital Plan to Add the CEA Research Greenhouse Project for Texas A&M AgriLife Research with an FY 2025 Start Date and Appropriate Funding for Preconstruction Services (Project No. 24-007), AgriLife Research

3.8) Approval to Amend the FY 2025 - FY 2029 A&M System Capital Plan to Add Safe Room Projects for System Members with an FY 2025 Start Date (Upon approval of a FEMA Project), A&M System

Informational Report - Report of System Construction Projects Authorized by the Board

MEETING OF THE COMMITTEE ON FINANCE (this meeting is scheduled to follow the adjournment of the Committee on Buildings and Physical Plant at approximately 3:45 pm)

- 1) Chairman's Welcome and Comments Regarding Meeting Agenda -- Regent Jay Graham
- 2) Presentation and Committee Action on Items 1.1 through 1.3

Items 1.1 through 1.3

1.1) Adoption of a Resolution Authorizing the Issuance of the Board of Regents of The Texas A&M University System Revenue Financing System Bonds, A&M System

1.2) Adoption of a Resolution Authorizing the Issuance of the Board of Regents of The Texas A&M University System Permanent University Fund Bonds, A&M System

1.3) Approval of Proposed Fee Consolidation Effective with the Fall 2024 Semester for Texas A&M International University, Texas A&M University-Kingsville, and Texas A&M University-Commerce, A&M System

MEETING OF THE COMMITTEE ON AUDIT (this meeting is scheduled to follow the adjournment of the Committee on Finance at approximately 4:00 pm)

- 1) Chairman's Welcome and Comments Regarding Meeting Agenda - Regent Mike Hernandez
- 2) Consideration and Committee Approval of 2025 Audit Plan – Amanda Dotson (Item 2.1)
- 3) External Quality Assurance Review Results – Amanda Dotson
- 4) Monthly Audit Reports, and Audit Tracking – Charlie Hrncir
- 5) DEI - Audit Update – Charlie Hrncir
- 6) Other Business (includes approval of minutes)

Item 2.1

2.1) Approval of System Internal Audit Plan for Fiscal Year 2025, A&M System

5:00 PM – RECESS/ADJOURN COMMITTEE MEETINGS

If needed - ~5:00 PM - RECONVENE MEETING OF THE BOARD AND IMMEDIATELY RECESS TO EXECUTIVE SESSION –MSC 2300E- Continue Executive Session Agenda

## THURSDAY, AUGUST 1, 2024

8:00 AM - RECONVENE MEETING OF THE BOARD AND IMMEDIATELY RECESS TO EXECUTIVE SESSION, Room 2300E - Continue Executive Session Agenda

RECESS/ADJOURN EXECUTIVE SESSION (approximately 12:30 pm)

RECONVENE BOARD MEETING (approximately 1:30 pm), Room 2300C

Invocation

Welcome and Opening Remarks, Bill Mahomes

Chancellor's Remarks, John Sharp

-System Member Accomplishments

-Academic Program Highlights

-Important Research Initiatives

Reports and Action (See Public Testimony Policy 02.01):

Standing/Special Committee Reports

Committee on Finance (Report and Action on Items 1.1 through 1.3)

Committee on Audit (Report and Action on Item 2.1)

Committee on Buildings and Physical Plant (Report and Action on Items 3.1 through 3.8)

Committee on Academic and Student Affairs (Report and Action on Items 4.1 and 4.2)

The Texas A&M University System Board of Regents (Items not assigned to committee) (*Action on Items 5.1 through 5.3 and 5.5 through 5.6*)

*(Presentation of Item 5.1 by Janet Gordon, System Ethics & Compliance Officer and Dora Zavala, System Director of Equal Opportunity)*

### Regular Item

5.1) Authorization for the Chairman of the Board to Submit a Report to the State Legislature and the Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board (THECB) Certifying the Board of Regents' Compliance with Texas Education Code, Sec. 51.3525, for Fiscal Year 2024, A&M System

### Executive Session Items

5.2) \*Authorization to Purchase Approximately 35.45 Acres of Land Located on University Avenue in Texarkana, Bowie County, Texas, TAMUT

5.3) \*Authorization to Purchase Mid-Cities Logistics, Building A, Located at 3153 Sandy Lane in Fort Worth, Tarrant County, Texas and Approval to Amend the FY 2025-FY 2029 Texas A&M University System Capital Plan to add the TDEM Fort Worth Warehouse Modifications Project with an Immediate Start Date, TDEM

5.4) (Withdrawn)

5.5) \*Authorization to Execute an Interlocal Agreement with the Research and Innovation Local Government Corporation in Fort Worth, Texas, A&M System

5.6) \*Authorization for the President to Execute New Employment Contracts for the Head Baseball Coach and an Assistant Baseball Coach, Texas A&M

Consent Agenda (Presentation and Action on Items 6.1 through 6.47)

The Texas A&M University System/Board of Regents

- 6.1) Approval of Minutes, BOR
- 6.2) Granting of the Title of Emeritus, August 2024, A&M System
- 6.3) Confirmation of Appointment and Commissioning of Peace Officers, A&M System
- 6.4) Approval of Revisions to System Policy 34.06, Appointment, Commissioning and Authority of Peace Officers, A&M System
- 6.5) Approval of List of Authorized Signers for Revolving Fund Bank Accounts for System Members, A&M System

Prairie View A&M University

- 6.6) Approval of Academic Tenure, August 2024, PVAMU
- 6.7) Granting of Faculty Development Leave for FY 2024, PVAMU

Tarleton State University

- 6.8) Approval of Academic Tenure, August 2024, Tarleton
- 6.9) Approval of a New Bachelor of Science Degree Program with a Major in Artificial Intelligence and Machine Learning and Authorization to Request Approval from the Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board, Tarleton
- 6.10) Approval of a New Master of Science Degree Program with a Major in Artificial Intelligence and Machine Learning and Authorization to Request Approval from the Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board, Tarleton
- 6.11) Approval of a New Doctor of Philosophy Degree Program with a Major in Agricultural and Biological Engineering, and Authorization to Request Approval from the Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board, Tarleton

Texas A&M International University

- 6.12) Approval of Academic Tenure, August 2024, TAMIU

Texas A&M University

- 6.13) Approval of Academic Tenure, August 2024, Texas A&M
- 6.14) Establishment of the Biosecurity and Pandemic Policy Center, Texas A&M
- 6.15) Authorization to Award an Honorary Degree to Ambassador Ryan C. Crocker, Texas A&M
- 6.16) \*Naming of the Construction Field Lab – Phase I at the RELLIS Campus, Texas A&M
- 6.17) \*Naming of Athletics Facilities and Related Structures, Texas A&M
- 6.18) \*Naming of Spaces in the Wayne Roberts '85 Building, Texas A&M
- 6.19) \*Authorization for the President to Negotiate and Execute Revenue Agreement(s) for the Mays Business School Center for Executive Development for FY 2025, Texas A&M
- 6.20) \*Authorization for the President to Negotiate and Execute Certain Specified Contracts Involving Consideration of \$500,000 or More, Texas A&M

#### Texas A&M University-Central Texas

6.21) Approval of a New Doctor of Education in Educational Leadership Degree Program and Authorization to Request Approval from the Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board, A&M-Central Texas

6.22) Authorization to Award an Honorary Degree to Lieutenant General Horace "Pete" Taylor, A&M-Central Texas

#### Texas A&M University-Commerce

6.23) Approval of Academic Tenure, August 2024, A&M-Commerce

6.24) Approval of Amended Mission Statement and Authorization to Provide Notification to the Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board, A&M-Commerce

6.25) \*Naming of the Band Hall in the Music Building, A&M-Commerce

#### Texas A&M University-Corpus Christi

6.26) Approval of Academic Tenure, August 2024, A&M-Corpus Christi

6.27) \*Naming of the Concession Stand in the Performing Arts Center at Texas A&M University-Corpus Christi, A&M-Corpus Christi

6.28) \*Naming of Exhibit Space within the Special Collections and Archives Space in the Chapparral Downtown Building, A&M-Corpus Christi

6.29) \*Naming of the Multipurpose Room within the Special Collections and Archives Space in the Chapparral Downtown Building, A&M-Corpus Christi

6.30) \*Naming of an Office within the Special Collections and Archives Space in the Chapparral Downtown Building, A&M-Corpus Christi

6.31) \*Naming of the Office within the Special Collections and Archives Space in the Chapparral Downtown Building, A&M-Corpus Christi

6.32) \*Naming of the Reading Room within the Special Collections and Archives Space in the Chapparral Downtown Building, A&M-Corpus Christi

#### Texas A&M University-Kingsville

*(No consent agenda items)*

#### Texas A&M University-San Antonio

*(No consent agenda items)*

#### Texas A&M University-Texarkana

6.33) Approval of a New Bachelor of Science Degree Program, with a Major in Computer Engineering, and Authorization to Request Approval from the Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board, TAMUT

6.34) Approval of a New Master of Business Administration Degree Program with a Major in Quantitative Finance, and Authorization to Request Approval from the Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board, TAMUT

6.35) Approval of a New Master of Healthcare Administration Degree Program, with a Major in Healthcare Administration, and Authorization to Request Approval from the Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board, TAMUT



6.36) Approval of a New Master of Science in Engineering Degree Program, with a Major in Engineering, and Authorization to Request Approval from the Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board, TAMUT

6.37) Approval of a New Master of Science Degree Program, with a Major in Engineering Management, and Authorization to Request Approval from the Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board, TAMUT

6.38) Approval of a New Doctor of Nursing Practice Degree Program, with a Major in Nursing Practice, and Authorization to Request Approval from the Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board, TAMUT

6.39) Approval of a New Doctor of Physical Therapy Degree Program, with a Major in Physical Therapy, and Authorization to Request Approval from the Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board, TAMUT

6.40) Establishment of the Northeast Texas STEM Center, TAMUT

6.41) Authorization to Award an Honorary Degree to Sonja Yates Hubbard, TAMUT

6.42) \*Naming of Facility and Area within the Athletic Complex, TAMUT

#### West Texas A&M University

6.43 Approval of Academic Tenure, August 2024, WTAMU

6.44 Authorization to Award an Honorary Degree to Connie Wooton, WTAMU

#### Texas A&M AgriLife Extension Service

*(No consent agenda items)*

#### Texas A&M AgriLife Research

6.45) \*Authorization to Establish Two Quasi-Endowments in the System Endowment Fund, AgriLife Research

#### Texas A&M Engineering Experiment Station

*(No consent agenda items)*

#### Texas A&M Forest Service

6.46) Authorization to Execute Federal and State Non-research Grant Agreements and any Amendments, Modifications or Extensions, TFS

#### Texas A&M Engineering Extension Service

*(No consent agenda items)*

#### Texas A&M Veterinary Medical Diagnostic Laboratory

*(No consent agenda items)*

#### Texas A&M Transportation Institute

*(No consent agenda items)*

#### Texas Division of Emergency Management

6.47) Approval of the Texas Division of Emergency Management Disaster Recovery Loan Program Rule Revisions, TDEM

Other Business/New Business

Closing Remarks, Chairman Mahomes

RECESS/ADJOURN (approximately 2:15 pm)

If needed - 2:15 PM - RECONVENE IN EXECUTIVE SESSION – Continue Executive Session Agenda, MSC 2300E

**FRIDAY, AUGUST 2, 2024**

MSC, Bethancourt Ballroom 2300E

8:00 AM

If Needed - RECONVENE IN EXECUTIVE SESSION – continue executive session agenda.

RECONVENE IN OPEN SESSION AND ADJOURN

\*Certified by the general counsel or other appropriate attorney as confidential or information that may be withheld from public disclosure in accordance with Section 551.1281 and Chapter 552 of the Texas Government Code.

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CERTIFICATION: I certify that I have reviewed this document and that it conforms to all applicable Texas Register filing requirements.

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**--Public Testimony Policy (02.01)**

A member of the public is allowed to present written and oral testimony, for a reasonable amount of time as determined by the Chairman of the Board, on any agenda item listed on the agenda for a regular meeting of the Board of Regents that is open to the public. Testimony on a topic other than an agenda item will not be allowed.

2.1 - A member of the public who desires to present written or oral testimony must deliver the following information to the Executive Director, Board of Regents, by e-mail, mail, facsimile, or hand delivery, no later than 24 hours before the regular Board meeting is posted to begin: (a) the name of the person submitting testimony; (b) the agenda item to be addressed; **and either**; (c) the written testimony **or** a written statement of the substance of the oral testimony.

E-mail delivery will not be accepted unless the e-mail is sent to the address designated for public testimony requests on the Board's website. Copies of the testimony or substance of the oral testimony will be distributed to the Board members at or before the Board meeting.

2.2 - The Board will consider the public testimony properly presented on an agenda item before voting on that agenda item. The Chairman or a majority of the Board may prescribe sanctions against any person exceeding established time limits or speaking on a topic other than the agenda item.

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A&M-San Antonio .....	Texas A&M University-San Antonio
A/E.....	Architect/Engineer
AgriLife Extension .....	Texas A&M AgriLife Extension Service
AgriLife Research .....	Texas A&M AgriLife Research
BOR.....	Board of Regents
FP&C.....	Facilities Planning and Construction
POR.....	Program of Requirements
PUF .....	Permanent University Fund
PVAMU.....	Prairie View A&M University
RELLIS .....	Respect, Excellence, Leadership, Loyalty, Integrity and Selfless Service
RFS.....	Revenue Financing System
TAMHSC .....	Texas A&M Health Science Center
TAMIU .....	Texas A&M International University
TAMUG.....	Texas A&M University at Galveston
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