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MINUTES

**REGULAR MEETING
BOARD OF REGENTS
THE TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY SYSTEM**

July 31-August 1, 2024

CONVENE

Vice Chairman Robert L. Albritton convened a regular meeting of the Board of Regents of The Texas A&M University System at 10:03 a.m., Wednesday, July 31, 2024, in the Memorial Student Center, Bethancourt Ballroom, Texas A&M University, College Station, Texas.

The following members of the Board were present:

Mr. Robert L. Albritton, Vice Chairman
Mr. David Baggett
Mr. John Bellinger
Mr. Randy Brooks
Mr. Jay Graham
Mr. Michael A. Hernandez III
Mr. Michael J. Plank
Mr. Sam Torn
Mr. Cage Sawyers, Student Regent

The following member of the Board was not present:

Mr. Bill Mahomes, Chairman

(Note: Mr. Cage Sawyers of Van Alstyne, Texas, was appointed Student Regent of The Texas A&M University System by Governor Greg Abbott effective June 1, 2024. He replaced Ms. Elizabeth "Annie" Valicek.)

RECESS TO EXECUTIVE SESSION

Vice Chairman Albritton announced that the Board would recess to executive session as permitted by Chapter 551 of the Texas Government Code. He said in accordance with the law, no final action, decision or vote with regard to any matter considered in executive session would be made or taken.

(Note: The Board met in executive session from 10:05 a.m. until 1:58 p.m. on July 31, 2024, and from 8:03 a.m. until 1:26 p.m., from 2:25 p.m. until 2:35 p.m., and from 4:15 p.m. until 4:25 p.m. on August 1, 2024.)

(Note: The Committee meetings were held Thursday, July 31, 2024. The Committee on Buildings and Physical Plant met from 2:05 p.m. to 3:00 p.m., the Committee on Academic and Business Affairs met from 3:00 p.m. to 3:54 p.m., the Committee on Finance met from 3:55 p.m. to 4:04 p.m. and the Committee on Audit met from 4:05 p.m. to 4:30 p.m.)

RECONVENE IN OPEN SESSION AND INVOCATION

Vice Chairman Albritton reconvened the meeting at 1:37 p.m., Thursday, August 1, 2024, in the Memorial Student Center, Bethancourt Ballroom, Texas A&M University, College Station, Texas.

Cole Murphy provided the invocation. Vice Chairman Albritton said that Mr. Murphy graduated magna cum laude in May 2024, from the College of Engineering at Texas A&M University with a bachelor's in science and industrial distribution and a minor in engineering project management and in business. He added that Mr. Murphy is now working towards his advanced degree from the Bush School.

VICE CHAIRMAN'S REMARKS

Vice Chairman Albritton welcomed everyone to the meeting. He thanked the presidents and CEOs who have met with Deloitte Consulting, the firm that is helping with the System's comprehensive organizational review. He welcomed Student Regent, Cage Sawyers.

He noted Chancellor John Sharp's future retirement and thanked him for everything he has done for the System and said that he has been one of the most visionary chancellors that anyone could ask for.

Vice Chairman Albritton said that there is no item on the agenda for the name change of Texas A&M University-Commerce. He noted for the record that the Board had received approximately 50 emails concerning this subject.

CHANCELLOR'S REMARKS

Chancellor Sharp provided highlights of the accomplishments of the A&M System.

REPORT FROM THE COMMITTEE ON FINANCE

Regent Graham, Chairman of the Committee on Finance, said the committee met the previous day and approved three agenda items: Items 1.1 and 1.2 regarding the adoption of our Revenue Financing System (RFS) and Permanent University Fund (PUF) debt authorization for the upcoming year and Item 1.3 related to the consolidation of two current fees into one. He noted that this consolidation would result in no additional cost to the students, and any subsequent increases to the university services fee would require Board approval. Regent Graham said the committee recommended these items to the full Board for approval.

On motion of Regent Plank seconded by Regent Brooks, and by a unanimous vote, the following minute orders were approved (151-153).

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**MINUTE ORDER 151-2024 (ITEM 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,  
THE TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY SYSTEM**

The resolution authorizing the issuance of the Board of Regents of The Texas A&M University System Revenue Financing System Bonds, substantially in the form of the attached exhibit, is adopted. The Chief Investment Officer and Treasurer, or other designated financial officer, is hereby authorized to take such actions as are necessary to accomplish the purposes of the resolution, including those relating to the issuance, sale, security and delivery of the bonds, all in accordance with the provisions of the resolution.

**MINUTE ORDER 152-2024 (ITEM 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,  
THE TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY SYSTEM**

The resolution authorizing the issuance of the Board of Regents of The Texas A&M University System Permanent University Fund Bonds, substantially in the form of the attached exhibit, is adopted. The Chief Investment Officer and Treasurer, or other designated financial officer, is hereby authorized to take such actions as are necessary to accomplish the purposes of the resolution, including those relating to the issuance, sale, security, and delivery of the bonds, all in accordance with the provisions of the resolution.

**MINUTE ORDER 153-2024 (ITEM 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,  
THE TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY SYSTEM**

The proposed fee consolidation for Texas A&M International University, Texas A&M University-Kingsville, and Texas A&M University-Commerce, as shown on the attached exhibit, is approved to be effective with the fall 2024 semester.

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REPORT FROM THE COMMITTEE ON AUDIT

Regent Hernandez, Chairman of the Committee on Audit, said the committee had met the previous day and received several reports from Amanda Dotson, Director of Internal Audit, and Charlie Hrcir, Chief Auditor, including the proposed 2025 audit plan, external quality assurance review, monthly audit report, audit tracking report, and an update on the diversity, equity, and inclusion audit. He said Internal Audit received a fully compliant assessment from its external quality assurance review and has released nine audits and cleared eight recommendations since the May meeting. Regent Hernandez said that the proposed 2025 audit plan includes 30 audits emphasizing financial controls, IT related audits, health and safety, and compliance. He said the committee approved Item 2.1 and recommends approval to the full Board.

On motion of Regent Plank, seconded by Regent Brooks, and by a unanimous vote, the following minute order was approved (154).

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**MINUTE ORDER 154-2024 (ITEM 2.1)**

**APPROVAL OF SYSTEM INTERNAL AUDIT PLAN FOR FISCAL YEAR 2025,  
THE TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY SYSTEM**

The Board of Regents of The Texas A&M University System hereby approves the System Internal Audit Plan for Fiscal Year 2025, a copy of which is attached to the official minutes.

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REPORT FROM THE COMMITTEE ON BUILDINGS AND PHYSICAL PLANT

Regent Brooks, Chairman of the Committee on Buildings and Physical Plant, said that the committee had met the previous day. He reported that the System’s Office of Facilities Planning and Construction was currently managing 82 projects worth over \$5.1 billion. He briefly described Items 3.1 through 3.8 and said that all items had received committee approval and recommended these items to the full Board for approval.

On motion of Regent Graham, seconded by Regent Hernandez, and by a unanimous vote, the following minute orders were approved (155-162).

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**MINUTE ORDER 155-2024 (ITEM 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), THE TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY SYSTEM**

The project scope along with a project budget of \$9,975,000 for the Public Safety Facility Project is approved.

The amount of \$1,975,000 is appropriated from Account No. 01-083540 Revenue Financing System Debt Proceeds (Unallocated Interest Income), and \$7,002,500 is appropriated from Account No. 18-871424 Public Safety Facility, for construction services and related project costs.

The Public Safety Facility Project, West Texas A&M University, Canyon, Texas, is approved for construction.

The Board of Regents of The Texas A&M University System (Board) reasonably expects to incur debt in one or more obligations for this project, and all or a portion of the proceeds received from the sale of such obligations is reasonably expected to be used to reimburse the account(s) for amounts previously appropriated and/or expended from such account(s).

As required by Section 5(a) of the Master Resolution of the Revenue Financing System, the Board hereby determines that it will have sufficient funds to meet the financial obligations of The Texas A&M University System, including sufficient Pledged Revenues to satisfy the Annual Debt Service Requirements of the Revenue Financing System and to meet all financial obligations of the Board relating to the Revenue Financing System and that the Participants, on whose behalf the debt is issued, possess the financial capacity to satisfy their Direct Obligations.

**MINUTE ORDER 156-2024 (ITEM 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), THE TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY SYSTEM**

The project scope along with a project budget of \$22,400,000 for the School of Dentistry Main Building Renovations Project is approved.

The amount of \$5,650,000 is appropriated from Account No. 01-084243 Permanent University Fund Debt Proceeds, (AUF), the amount of \$10,240,421 is appropriated from Account No. 23-211150 Designated Tuition-SOD Finance, the amount of \$3,200,000 is appropriated from Account No. 23-205091 SOD DSRIP Incentive Payments, and the amount of \$1,069,579 is appropriated from Account No. 23-530106 Set Aside Dental Clinic, for construction services and related project costs.

The School of Dentistry Main Building Renovations Project, Texas A&M University Health Science Center, Dallas, Texas, is approved for construction.

The Board of Regents of The Texas A&M University System (Board) reasonably expects to incur debt in one or more obligations for this project, and all or a portion of the proceeds received from the sale of such obligations is reasonably expected to be used to reimburse the account(s) for amounts previously appropriated and/or expended from such account(s).

**MINUTE ORDER 157-2024 (ITEM 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),  
THE TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY SYSTEM**

The project scope along with a project budget of \$13,500,000 for the Avenue D South Extension & Utility Upgrades Project is approved.

The amount of \$11,650,000 is appropriated from Account No. 01-084243 Permanent University Fund Debt Proceeds, (AUF), and the amount of \$500,000 is appropriated from Account No. 09-020121 Instruction-Designated, for construction services and related project costs.

The Avenue D South Extension & Utility Upgrades Project, Texas A&M-RELLIS, Bryan, Texas, is approved for construction.

The Board of Regents of The Texas A&M University System (Board) reasonably expects to incur debt in one or more obligations for this project, and all or a portion of the proceeds received from the sale of such obligations is reasonably expected to be used to reimburse the account(s) for amounts previously appropriated and/or expended from such account(s).

**MINUTE ORDER 158-2024 (ITEM 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 UNIVERSITY**

The project scope along with an increased project budget of \$6,865,000 for the Alkek Building Roof & Exhaust Fan Replacement Project is approved.

The amount of \$6,365,000 is appropriated from Account No. 01-084243 Permanent University Fund Debt Proceeds (AUF), for construction services and related project costs.

The Alkek Building Roof & Exhaust Fan Replacement Project, Texas A&M University Health Science Center, Houston, Texas, is approved for construction.

The Board of Regents of The Texas A&M University System reasonably expects to incur debt in one or more obligations for this project, and all or a portion of the proceeds received from the sale of such obligations is reasonably expected to be used to reimburse the account(s) for amounts previously appropriated and/or expended from such account(s).

**MINUTE ORDER 159-2024 (ITEM 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 UNIVERSITY**

The request to amend the FY 2025 – FY 2029 Texas A&M University System Capital Plan to change the fiscal year designation for project initiation for the Heldenfels 4th Floor Instructional Lab Renovation Project for Texas A&M University from FY 2026 to FY 2025 is approved.

The amount of \$1,200,000 is appropriated from Account No. 02-806306, Heldenfels, for pre-construction services and related project costs. Funds cannot be appropriated prior to September 1, 2024.

**MINUTE ORDER 160-2024 (ITEM 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,  
TEXAS A&M ENGINEERING EXTENSION SERVICE**

The request 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 with an FY 2024 start date and a total planning amount of \$15,000,000 is approved.

Contingent upon the completion of the Program of Requirements and execution of a long-term lease, the amount of \$1,500,000 is appropriated from Account No. 01-084243, Permanent University Fund Debt Proceeds (AUF), for pre-construction services and related project costs.

The Board of Regents of The Texas A&M University System (Board) reasonably expects to incur debt in one or more obligations for this project, and all or a portion of the proceeds received from the sale of such obligations is reasonably expected to be used to reimburse the account(s) for amounts previously appropriated and/or expended from such account(s).

**MINUTE ORDER 161-2024 (ITEM 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),  
TEXAS A&M AGRILIFE RESEARCH**

The request 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 a total planning amount of \$7,500,000 is approved.

The amount of \$750,000 is appropriated from Account No. 06-400205-07033 Dallas Landsale Funds, for pre-construction services and related project costs.

**MINUTE ORDER 162-2024 (ITEM 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),  
THE TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY SYSTEM**

Upon approval of a FEMA project, the request to amend the FY 2025 - FY 2029 A&M System Capital Plan to add FEMA-approved Safe Room projects for System Members with an FY 2025 start date and a combined total planning amount of up to \$254,536,369 is approved.

Contingent upon the completion of each Safe Room project's Program of Requirements, the amount of up to 10% of the project budget is appropriated from various accounts for pre-construction services and related project costs.

The Board of Regents of The Texas A&M University System (Board) reasonably expects to incur debt in one or more obligations for this project, and all or a portion of the proceeds received from the sale of such obligations is reasonably expected to be used to reimburse the account(s) for amounts previously appropriated and/or expended from such account(s).

As required by Section 5(a) of the Master Resolution of the Revenue Financing System, the Board hereby determines that it will have sufficient funds to meet the financial obligations of The Texas A&M University System, including sufficient Pledged Revenues to satisfy the Annual Debt Service Requirements of the Revenue Financing System and to meet all financial obligations of the Board relating to the Revenue Financing System and that the Participants, on whose behalf the debt is issued, possess the financial capacity to satisfy their Direct Obligations.

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REPORT FROM THE COMMITTEE ON ACADEMIC AND STUDENT AFFAIRS

Regent Plank, Chairman of the Committee on Academic and Student Affairs (CASA), said the committee had met the previous day at which time they discussed the Affordability Initiative. He said Dr. James Hallmark provided updates on three items from previous board meetings which included the honors program admission requirements, status of the development of surveys of student experiences, and the status of nursing collaboration efforts. Regent Plank said that in addition, they considered Item 4.1 regarding revisions to Policy 12.03 on academic workload and reporting requirements, and Policy 12.07 on fixed term academic professional track faculty, as well as Item 4.2 regarding revisions to Policy 15.04 on sponsored research services. He said the committee recommended approval of Items 4.1 and 4.2 to the full Board for approval.

On motion of Regent Brooks, seconded by Regent Bellinger, and by a unanimous vote, the following minute orders were approved (163-164):

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**MINUTE ORDER 163-2024 (ITEM 4.1)**

**APPROVAL OF REVISIONS TO POLICY 12.03,  
FACULTY ACADEMIC WORKLOAD AND REPORTING REQUIREMENTS  
AND POLICY 12.07, FIXED TERM ACADEMIC PROFESSIONAL TRACK FACULTY,  
THE TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY SYSTEM**

The revisions to System Policies 12.03, Faculty Academic Workload and Reporting Requirements and Policy 12.07, Fixed Term Academic Professional Track Faculty, as shown in the attached exhibits, are approved, effective immediately.

**MINUTE ORDER 164-2024 (ITEM 4.2)**

**APPROVAL OF REVISIONS TO  
SYSTEM POLICY 15.04, SPONSORED RESEARCH SERVICES,  
THE TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY SYSTEM**

The revisions to System Policy 15.04, Sponsored Research Services, as shown in the attached exhibit, are approved, effective immediately.

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ADDITIONAL ITEMS CONSIDERED BY THE BOARD

Janet Gordan, System Ethics and Compliance Officer, and Dora Zavala, Director of Equal Opportunity, presented Item 5.1. They reported that Item 5.1 was the 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 the Texas Education Code, Sec. 51.3525, for Fiscal Year 2024. The Board acted as set forth below:

On motion of Regent Torn, seconded by Regent Hernandez, and by a unanimous vote, the following minute order was approved (165):

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**MINUTE ORDER 165-2024 (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,  
THE TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY SYSTEM**

The Board of Regents authorizes the Chairman of the Board to submit a report to the State Legislature and the Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board certifying the Board of Regents' compliance with Texas Education Code 51.3525 for Fiscal Year 2024.

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Vice Chairman Albritton presented Items 5.2 through 5.3 and 5.5 through 5.6 (executive session items). The Board acted as set forth below:

(Note: Item 5.4 was withdrawn prior to the meeting).

On motion of Regent Baggett, seconded by Regent Plank, and by a unanimous vote, the following minute orders were approved (166-169):

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**MINUTE ORDER 166-2024 (ITEM 5.2)**

**AUTHORIZATION TO PURCHASE APPROXIMATELY  
35.45 ACRES OF LAND LOCATED ON UNIVERSITY AVENUE  
IN TEXARKANA, BOWIE COUNTY, TEXAS,  
TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY-TEXARKANA**

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 purchase land totaling approximately 35.45 acres from Bringle Ridge Properties, LLC and Bringle Ridge Commercial 20, LLC or assigns and to take any and all additional action, and execute any and all ancillary documents deemed necessary, to consummate the transaction at a sales price not to exceed \$7,727,500.00, plus applicable closing costs.

The amount of \$7,000,000 is appropriated from Account No. 01-083538 Revenue Financing System Debt Proceeds Earnings and the amount of \$727,500 plus applicable closing costs is appropriated from Account No. 22-186999, Higher Education Fund Unallocated Reserve for the real estate purchase.

The Board of Regents of The Texas A&M University System (Board) reasonably expects to incur debt in one or more obligations for this project, and all or a portion of the proceeds received from the sale of such obligations is reasonably expected to be used to reimburse the account(s) for amounts previously appropriated and/or expended from such account(s).

As required by Section 5(a) of the Master Resolution of the Revenue Financing System, the Board hereby determines that it will have sufficient funds to meet the financial obligations of The Texas A&M University System, including sufficient Pledged Revenues to satisfy the Annual Debt Service Requirements of the Revenue Financing System and to meet all financial obligations of the Board relating to the Revenue Financing System and that the Participants, on whose behalf the debt is issued, possess the financial capacity to satisfy their Direct Obligations.

**MINUTE ORDER 167-2024 (ITEM 5.3-REVISED)**

**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,  
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 negotiate, execute and deliver all documents, and to take all other actions necessary, to purchase the property known as Mid-Cities Logistics, Building A, located at 3153 Sandy Lane in Fort Worth, Tarrant County, Texas and complete the construction of the improvements for an amount not to exceed \$23,861,769.75.

The request to amend the FY 2025-FY 2029 Texas A&M University System Capital Plan to add the TDEM Fort Worth Warehouse Modifications Project for Texas Division of Emergency Management with an immediate start date and a total planning amount of \$4,661,640 is approved and the project can move forward immediately.

Contingent upon the completion of the Program of Requirements, the amount of \$4,661,640 is appropriated from Account No. 30-100402, Regional Storage & Staging Areas, for pre-construction services and construction services and related project costs.

**MINUTE ORDER 168-2024 (ITEM 5.5)**

**AUTHORIZATION TO EXECUTE AN INTERLOCAL AGREEMENT WITH  
THE RESEARCH AND INNOVATION LOCAL GOVERNMENT CORPORATION  
IN FORT WORTH, TEXAS,  
THE TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY SYSTEM**

The Chancellor of The Texas A&M University System, or his designee, following legal review by the Office of General Counsel, is authorized to negotiate, execute and deliver an Interlocal Agreement with the Research & Innovation Local Government Corporation (RILGC) in Fort Worth, Texas to procure the pre-construction design and cost estimates for the development of the Research and Innovation Building at Texas A&M-Fort Worth, and to take any and all additional action, and execute any and all ancillary documents, deemed necessary to consummate the transaction.

**MINUTE ORDER 169-2024 (ITEM 5.6)**

**AUTHORIZATION FOR THE PRESIDENT TO  
NEGOTIATE AND EXECUTE NEW EMPLOYMENT CONTRACTS  
FOR THE HEAD BASEBALL COACH, MICHAEL EARLY, AND  
ASSISTANT BASEBALL COACH, JASON KELLY,  
TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY**

Authority is hereby granted to the President of Texas A&M University to negotiate and execute new employment contracts, upon review for legal form and sufficiency by the Office of General Counsel, with the following persons:

Head Baseball Coach – Michael Earley  
Assistant Baseball Coach – Jason Kelly

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CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS

Vice Chairman Albritton presented Items 6.1 through 6.47.

On motion of Regent Brooks, seconded by Regent Baggett, and by a unanimous vote, the following minute orders were approved (170-216):

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**MINUTE ORDER 170-2024 (ITEM 6.1)**

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

The following minutes are approved: May 6-7, 2024, Regular Meeting, May 6-7, 2024, Special Workshop Meeting, June 6, 2024, Special Telephonic Meeting and July 3, 2024, Special Telephonic Meeting.

**MINUTE ORDER 171-2024 (ITEM 6.2)**

**GRANTING OF THE TITLE OF EMERITUS, AUGUST 2024,  
THE TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY SYSTEM**

In recognition of long and distinguished service to The Texas A&M University System, the Board of Regents hereby confirms the recommendation of the Chancellor and confers the title of “Emeritus” upon the individuals as shown in the attached exhibit, Emeritus Title List No. 24-04, and grants all rights and privileges of this title.

**MINUTE ORDER 172-2024 (ITEM 6.3)**

**CONFIRMATION OF APPOINTMENT  
AND COMMISSIONING OF PEACE OFFICERS,  
THE TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY SYSTEM**

In accordance with System Policy 34.06, Appointment, Commissioning and Authority of Peace Officers, the Board of Regents of The Texas A&M University System confirms the appointment and commissioning of campus peace officers by the Presidents of their respective system member universities, in accordance with the requirements of the law, and as shown in the exhibit, attached to the official minutes, subject to their taking the oath required of peace officers.

**MINUTE ORDER 173-2024 (ITEM 6.4)**

**APPROVAL OF REVISIONS TO SYSTEM POLICY 34.06, APPOINTMENT,  
COMMISSIONING AND AUTHORITY OF PEACE OFFICERS,  
THE TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY SYSTEM**

The revisions to System Policy 34.06, Appointment, Commissioning and Authority of Peace Officers, as shown in the attached exhibit, are approved, effective immediately.

**MINUTE ORDER 174-2024 (ITEM 6.5)**

**APPROVAL OF LIST OF AUTHORIZED SIGNERS FOR  
REVOLVING FUND BANK ACCOUNTS FOR SYSTEM MEMBERS,  
THE TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY SYSTEM**

Under the authority of the General Appropriations Act, and effective September 1, 2024, the employees of The Texas A&M University System members named below, and their successors in office, are hereby authorized to sign checks and approve electronic payments, such as ACH and wire transfers, for the withdrawal of such funds according to law.

Source of Funds: Institutional Funds (or Qatar Foundation as indicated)

Depository Bank: Wells Fargo Bank, N.A. (or Commercial Bank-Qatar as indicated)

**1. THE TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY SYSTEM (TAMUS)**

Revolving Fund portion not to exceed \$175,000,000 (Operating and Debt Service)

Employees authorized to sign checks:

Maria L. Robinson, Chief Investment Officer and Treasurer

David Verghese, Deputy Chief Investment Officer

Michelle Engelke, Director, Finance

All Texas A&M University Signers listed below.

**2. TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY (TAMU)**

Revolving Fund portion not to exceed \$50,000,000.

Employees authorized to sign checks:

John Crawford, Vice President for Finance and CFO

John McCall, Associate Vice President for Finance and Controller

Clint Merritt, Executive Director, Financial Management Operations

Bryan Townsend, Executive Director, University Accounting Services

Courtney Cammack, Director, University Accounting Services

Linda Kettler, Director, Financial Management Operations

Cynthia Flemings, Director, Tax Compliance and Reporting

**TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY HEALTH SCIENCE CENTER (HSC)**

Revolving Fund portion not to exceed \$15,000,000.

Employees authorized to sign checks:

All TAMU Signers listed above.

**TEXAS A&M SYSTEM – SHARED SERVICES CENTER (SSC)**

No Revolving Funds

Employees authorized to sign checks:

All TAMU Signers listed above.

**TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY AT GALVESTON (TAMUG)**

Revolving Fund portion not to exceed \$2,000,000.

Employees authorized to sign checks:

All TAMU Signers listed above.

Susan Hernandez Lee, Associate Vice President for Finance and Compliance Officer

Vanessa Garza, Assistant Director, Budget and Analysis

**TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY AT QATAR (TAMU at Qatar)**

Source of Funds – Qatar Foundation

Depository Bank – Commercial Bank-Qatar

Employees authorized to sign checks:

John Crawford, Vice President for Finance and CFO, TAMU

John McCall, Associate Vice President for Finance and Controller, TAMU

Bryan Townsend, Executive Director, University Accounting Services, TAMU

Joseph P. Pettibon II, Vice President for Planning, Assessment and Strategy, TAMU

Cynthia Flemings, Director of Tax Compliance and Reporting, TAMU

Cesar O. Malave, Dean and COO

Rosalie Nickles, Assistant Dean for Finance, Compliance and Administrative Procedure

Patrick Linke, Senior Associate Dean for Research and Graduate Studies

Vacant, Executive Associate Dean for Academic Affairs

Katina Anderson, Director, Business Operations

**3. TARLETON STATE UNIVERSITY (TSU)**

Revolving Fund portion not to exceed \$5,500,000.

Employees authorized to sign checks:

Brett Powell, Executive Vice President for Finance & Administration and CFO

Vacant, Assistant VP for Finance & Administration and Assistant CFO

Claudia Dominguez, Director, Accounting Services

Melissa Elliott, Director, Student Account Services

Jo Anna Ince, Financial Analyst III

Sheila Hawkins, Financial Analyst III

Christina Dunagan, Business Manager

Maycee Kelley, Financial Accountant III

Chrissy Pack-Dowell, Financial Accountant III

Christi Pfau, Accounts Payable Manager

**4. PRAIRIE VIEW A&M UNIVERSITY (PVAMU)**

Revolving Fund portion not to exceed \$7,000,000.

Employees authorized to sign checks:

Cynthia Carter-Horn, Senior Vice President for Business Affairs and CFO

Dianne Evans, Assistant Vice President for Financial Management Services

Cozette Turner, Director, Accounting Services

Equilla Jackson, Director, Treasury Services

Stephanie Redd, Assistant Director, Treasury Services

Stephaine Daniels, Financial Accountant II

JosaLynn Pritchard, Financial Accountant I

**5. TEXAS A&M AGRILIFE RESEARCH (ALRSCH)**

Revolving Fund portion not to exceed \$4,000,000.

Employees authorized to sign checks:

G. Cliff Lamb, Director

Vic S. Seidel, Executive Associate Vice Chancellor and COO

Debra Cummings, Assistant Agency Director and CFO

Donna Alexander, Assistant Agency Director and CFO, ALEXT

Loree Lewis, Executive Director, Contracts and Administration

Vacant, Director, Accounts Payable

Kim Payne, Financial Manager

**6. TEXAS A&M AGRILIFE EXTENSION SERVICE (ALEXT)**

Revolving Fund portion not to exceed \$4,000,000.

Employees authorized to sign checks:

Rick Avery, Director  
Vic S. Seidel, Executive Associate Vice Chancellor and COO  
Donna Alexander, Assistant Agency Director and CFO  
Debra Cummings, Assistant Agency Director and CFO, ALRSCH  
Loree Lewis, Executive Director, Contracts and Administration, ALRSCH  
Vacant, Director, Accounts Payable, ALRSCH  
Kim Payne, Financial Manager, ALRSCH

**7. TEXAS A&M ENGINEERING EXPERIMENT STATION (TEES)**

Revolving Fund portion not to exceed \$3,000,000.

Employees authorized to sign checks:

Robert Bishop, Vice Chancellor and Dean  
Joseph N. Dunn, Assistant Vice Chancellor for Business Management and CFO  
Jane Zhou, Assistant CFO and Controller  
Karen Gregory, Assistant Controller  
Griselda Vazquez, Assistant Director  
Vacant, Assistant Director  
Vacant, Financial Accountant II

**TEXAS A&M ENGINEERING EXPERIMENT STATION AT QATAR (TEES at Qatar)**

Source of Funds – Qatar Foundation

Depository Bank – Commercial Bank-Qatar

Employees authorized to sign checks:

Joseph N. Dunn, Assistant Vice Chancellor for Business Management and CFO  
Jane Zhou, Assistant CFO and Controller, TEES  
Cesar O. Malave, Dean and COO, TAMU at Qatar

**8. TEXAS A&M ENGINEERING EXTENSION SERVICE (TEEX)**

Revolving Fund portion not to exceed \$3,000,000.

Employees authorized to sign checks:

Tracy Foster, Deputy Director and CFO  
Brian Stipe, Assistant CFO and Controller  
Deepak Tyagi, Assistant Controller  
Patti Buckhaults, Financial Manager  
Jasmina Lewallen, Financial Manager  
Lynn Krueger, Financial Manager

**9. TEXAS A&M FOREST SERVICE (TFS)**

Revolving Fund portion not to exceed \$3,500,000.

Employees authorized to sign checks:

Travis Zamzow, Associate Agency Director for Finance & Administration  
Andrew Startz, Budgets and Accounting Department Head  
Natasha Wolf, Financial Management Supervisor  
John C. Powell, Policy and Review Coordinator III

**10. TEXAS A&M TRANSPORTATION INSTITUTE (TTI)**

Revolving Fund portion not to exceed \$1,000,000.

Employees authorized to sign checks:

Rodney Horrell, Assistant Agency Director and CFO  
Tyler K. Theobald, Assistant CFO  
Stephanie Barnett, Director, Accounting  
Weining Yang, Controller  
Randi McClure, Supervisor, Accounting  
Michelle L. Young, Financial Accountant IV

**TEXAS A&M TRANSPORTATION INSTITUTE AT QATAR (TTI at Qatar)**

Source of Funds – Qatar Foundation

Depository Bank – Commercial Bank-Qatar

Employees authorized to sign checks:

Rodney Horrell, Assistant Agency Director and CFO, TTI  
Tyler K. Theobald, Assistant CFO, TTI  
Weining Yang, Controller, TTI

**11. TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY-CORPUS CHRISTI (TAMUCC)**

Revolving Fund portion not to exceed \$5,500,000.

Employees authorized to sign checks:

Kelly Miller, President  
Andrew Rogers, Vice President for Finance & Administration  
Yolanda Castorena, Associate Vice President for Finance and Controller  
Allison Lewis, Assistant Vice President and Chief Budget Officer  
Will Hobart, Director, Procurement & Disbursements and HUB Coordinator  
Cassie Eyring, Assistant Controller  
Eliza Garcia, Accounting Manager  
Christy Robertson, Financial Accountant III  
Penni Nolan, Accounting Assistant III  
Kalee Olivarez, Financial Accountant III

**12. TEXAS A&M INTERNATIONAL UNIVERSITY (TAMIU)**

Revolving Fund portion not to exceed \$3,500,000.

Employees authorized to sign checks:

Pablo Arenaz, President  
Juan J. Castillo Jr., Vice President for Finance & Administration  
Federico Juarez III, Associate Vice President for Finance & Administration  
Elena Martinez, Comptroller  
Maria Elena Hernandez, Assistant Comptroller/Receivables  
Melisa Rangel, Associate Controller  
Patricia Ornelas, Associate Controller



**13. TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY-KINGSVILLE (TAMUK)**

Revolving Fund portion not to exceed \$5,000,000.

Employees authorized to sign checks:

Robert H. Vela Jr., President  
Jacob Flournoy, Vice President for Finance and CFO  
Joanne Castro, Associate Vice President for Financial Services  
Samantha Padilla, Controller  
Vilma Castillo, Director, Accounting Services  
Yvonne Vela, Associate Director, Accounts Payable and Travel  
Robyn Wallace, Financial Analyst III

**14. TEXAS A&M VETERINARY MEDICAL DIAGNOSTIC LABORATORY (TVMDL)**

Revolving Fund portion not to exceed \$4,000,000.

Employees authorized to sign checks:

Amy Swinford, Agency Director  
Matthew Durham, Assistant Agency Director and CFO  
Vic S. Seidel, Executive Associate Vice Chancellor and COO  
Debra Cummings, Assistant Agency Director and CFO, ALRSCH  
Donna Alexander, Assistant Agency Director and CFO, ALEXT  
Loree Lewis, Executive Director, Contracts and Administration, ALRSCH  
Vacant, Director, Accounts Payable, ALRSCH  
Kim Payne, Financial Manager, ALRSCH

**15. WEST TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY (WTAMU)**

Revolving Fund portion not to exceed \$4,500,000.

Employees authorized to sign checks:

Randy Rikel, Vice President for Business and Finance  
Todd McNeill, Associate Vice President and Controller  
Lauren Cazarez, Director, Finance  
Mark Hiner, Associate Director, Budgets  
Amanda Ryder, Bursar  
John Bassett, Assistant Bursar

**16. TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY-COMMERCE (TAMUC)**

Revolving Fund portion not to exceed \$5,500,000.

Employees authorized to sign checks:

Mark Rudin, President and Chief Executive Officer  
Tina Livingston, Vice President for Finance & Administration  
Sarah Baker, Associate Vice President for Finance & Administration and Controller  
Toni Burton, Assistant Controller  
Arlana Martin, Budget Director  
Belinda Benson, Senior Budget Manager  
Rocio (Rose) Moreno, State Accounting Manager  
Vacant, Reconciliation Manager  
Kim Jefferies, Gifts Processing Manager  
Christine Newell, Financial Accountant III  
Alice Norwood, Accounting Assistant III  
Crystal Butler, Accounting Assistant II  
Sierra Harris, Accounting Assistant II  
Kelly Ramey, Budget Analyst II

**17. TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY-TEXARKANA (TAMUT)**

Revolving Fund portion not to exceed \$2,000,000.

Employees authorized to sign checks:

Ross Alexander, President  
Jeff Hinton, Executive Vice President for Finance & Administration and CFO  
Rhonda Jones, Assistant Vice President and Controller  
Russell Ryan, Assistant Controller  
Geoffrey Kreighoff, Financial Accountant III  
K’Leeh Holt, Financial Accountant II  
Stephenie Durham, Financial Accountant I

**18. TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY-CENTRAL TEXAS (TAMUCT)**

Revolving Fund portion not to exceed \$2,000,000.

Employees authorized to sign checks:

Richard Rhodes, President  
Todd Lutz, Vice President for Finance & Administration and CFO  
Susan Bowden, Assistant Vice President for Business Affairs and Controller  
Danielle Clouden, Assistant Controller  
Vanessa Santos, Financial Accountant III

**19. TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY-SAN ANTONIO (TAMUSA)**

Revolving Fund portion not to exceed \$3,500,000.

Employees authorized to sign checks:

Salvador Hector Ochoa, President  
Leonard A. Cullo Jr., Vice President for Business Affairs and CFO  
Amanda Castro, Controller  
Denis Cano, Associate Controller and Director of Accounting Services  
Felica Tamez, Bursar  
Vacant, Senior Accountant

**20. TEXAS DIVISION OF EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT (TDEM)**

Revolving Fund portion not to exceed \$30,000,000.

Employees authorized to sign checks:

John Crawford, Vice President for Finance and CFO, TAMU  
John McCall, Associate Vice President for Finance and Controller, TAMU  
Clint Merritt, Executive Director, Financial Management Operations, TAMU  
Bryan Townsend, Executive Director, University Accounting Services, TAMU  
Courtney Cammack, Director, University Accounting Services, TAMU  
Linda Kettler, Director, Financial Management Operations, TAMU  
Cynthia Flemings, Director of Tax Compliance and Reporting, TAMU

**MINUTE ORDER 175-2024 (ITEM 6.6)**

**APPROVAL OF ACADEMIC TENURE, AUGUST 2024,  
PRAIRIE VIEW A&M UNIVERSITY**

The Board of Regents of The Texas A&M University System, in accordance with System Policy 12.01, Academic Freedom, Responsibility and Tenure, hereby authorizes the granting of tenure to the following faculty members at Prairie View A&M University as set forth in the exhibit, Tenure List No. 24-04.

**MINUTE ORDER 176-2024 (ITEM 6.7)**

**GRANTING OF FACULTY DEVELOPMENT LEAVE FOR FY 2024,  
PRAIRIE VIEW A&M UNIVERSITY**

The Board of Regents of The Texas A&M University System, in accordance with System Policy 31.03, System Regulation 12.99.01 and Sections 51.101-108 of the Texas Education Code, authorizes faculty development leave to the faculty members as shown in the attached exhibit, Faculty Development Leave List FY 2024, Prairie View A&M University.

**MINUTE ORDER 177-2024 (ITEM 6.8)**

**APPROVAL OF ACADEMIC TENURE, AUGUST 2024,  
TARLETON STATE UNIVERSITY**

The Board of Regents of The Texas A&M University System, in accordance with System Policy 12.01, Academic Freedom, Responsibility and Tenure, hereby authorizes the granting of tenure to the following faculty member at Tarleton State University as set forth in the exhibit, Tenure List No. 24-04.

**MINUTE ORDER 178-2024 (ITEM 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 STATE UNIVERSITY**

The Board of Regents of The Texas A&M University System approves the establishment of a new degree program at Tarleton State University leading to a Bachelor of Science Degree Program with a Major in Artificial Intelligence and Machine Learning.

The Board also authorizes submission of Tarleton State University's new degree program request to the Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board for approval and hereby certifies that all applicable criteria of the Coordinating Board have been met.

**MINUTE ORDER 179-2024 (ITEM 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 STATE UNIVERSITY**

The Board of Regents of The Texas A&M University System approves the establishment of a new degree program at Tarleton State University leading to a Master of Science Degree Program with a Major in Artificial Intelligence and Machine Learning.

The Board also authorizes submission of Tarleton State University’s new degree program request to the Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board for approval and hereby certifies that all applicable criteria of the Coordinating Board have been met.

**MINUTE ORDER 180-2024 (ITEM 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 STATE UNIVERSITY**

The Board of Regents of The Texas A&M University System approves the establishment of a new degree program at Tarleton State University leading to a Doctor of Philosophy with a major in Agricultural and Biological Engineering.

The Board also authorizes submission of Tarleton State University’s new degree program request to the Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board for approval and hereby certifies that all applicable criteria of the Coordinating Board have been met.

**MINUTE ORDER 181-2024 (ITEM 6.12)**

**APPROVAL OF ACADEMIC TENURE, AUGUST 2024,  
TEXAS A&M INTERNATIONAL UNIVERSITY**

The Board of Regents of The Texas A&M University System, in accordance with System Policy 12.01, Academic Freedom, Responsibility and Tenure, hereby authorizes the granting of tenure to the following faculty members at Texas A&M International University as set forth in the exhibit, Tenure List No. 24-04.

**MINUTE ORDER 182-2024 (ITEM 6.13)**

**APPROVAL OF ACADEMIC TENURE, AUGUST 2024,  
TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY**

The Board of Regents of The Texas A&M University System, in accordance with System Policy 12.01, Academic Freedom, Responsibility and Tenure, hereby authorizes the granting of tenure to the following faculty members at Texas A&M University as set forth in the exhibit, Tenure List No. 24-02.

**MINUTE ORDER 183-2024 (ITEM 6.14)**

**ESTABLISHMENT OF THE BIOSECURITY AND PANDEMIC POLICY CENTER,  
TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY**

The Biosecurity and Pandemic Policy Center is hereby established as an organizational unit of Texas A&M University within the Scowcroft Institute of International Affairs at the Bush School of Government & Public Service.

**MINUTE ORDER 184-2024 (ITEM 6.15)**

**AUTHORIZATION TO AWARD AN HONORARY DEGREE  
TO AMBASSADOR RYAN C. CROCKER,  
TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY**

The President of Texas A&M University is authorized to award an Honorary Doctor of Letters degree to Ambassador Ryan C. Crocker.

**MINUTE ORDER 185-2024 (ITEM 6.16)**

**NAMING OF THE CONSTRUCTION  
FIELD LAB – PHASE I AT THE RELLIS CAMPUS, AS THE  
“FERRARA CONSTRUCTION FIELD LABORATORY COMPLEX,”  
TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY**

The Board of Regents of The Texas A&M University System hereby names the Construction Field Lab – Phase I at the RELLIS Campus the “Ferrara Construction Field Laboratory Complex.”

**MINUTE ORDER 186-2024 (ITEM 6.17)**

**NAMING OF ATHLETICS FACILITIES AND RELATED STRUCTURES,  
TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY**

The Board of Regents of The Texas A&M University System hereby names the following athletics facilities and related structures on the campus of Texas A&M University:

- Plaza in Front of the Coolidge Football Performance Center – “McFerrin Plaza”
- First Floor Lobby in the Adam C. Sinn ’00 Academic & Wellness Center – “Pam ’75 & Larry L. Little ’73 Lobby”
- Academic Services Center in the Adam C. Sinn ’00 Academic & Wellness Center located on the 3rd floor of the building – “Allison S. ’96 & Don R. Whitaker ’96 Center for Academic Services”
- Videoboard at the George P. Mitchell ’40 Tennis Center – “Glenda & Doug Otten ’65 Scoreboard”
- Court 2 at the George P. Mitchell ’40 Tennis Center – “Jane H. Wright ’76 Championship Court”
- Nutrition Center in the Adam C. Sinn ’00 Academic & Wellness Center located on the 1st floor, Room 103 – “Linda & Dennis Clark ’68 Nutrition Center”

**MINUTE ORDER 187-2024 (ITEM 6.18)**

**NAMING OF SPACES IN THE WAYNE ROBERTS ’85 BUILDING,  
TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY**

The Board of Regents of The Texas A&M University System hereby names the following spaces in the Wayne Roberts ’85 Building on the campus of Texas A&M University:

- Café (Room 11) – “Reynolds and Reynolds Café”
- Conference Room (Room 211) – “David R. Norcom ’73 Conference Room”
- Learning Studio (Room 101) – “In Honor of Devoted Educators, Given by Cydney Donnell ’81”
- Learning Studio (Room 102) – “Deloitte Foundation Learning Studio”
- Learning Studio (Room 204) – “Shannon H. ’90 and Chris B. Work ’90 Learning Studio”
- Collaboration Room (Room 114) – “Jim Stark ’84 Collaboration Room”
- Collaboration Room (Room 113) – “Michael D. Rupe ’93 Collaboration Room”
- Collaboration Room (Room 321D) – “Grayson ’12 and Taylor ’12 Moffatt Family Collaboration Room”
- Collaboration Room (Room 321F) – “Phillips 66 Collaboration Room”
- Collaboration Room (Room 302) – “Miles Marks ’79 Collaboration Room”
- Conversation Room (Room 321B) – “Carrie B. and Timothy J. Hill ’89 Conversation Room”

**MINUTE ORDER 188-2024 (ITEM 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 UNIVERSITY**

The Board of Regents of The Texas A&M University System authorizes the President of Texas A&M University to negotiate and execute revenue agreements for the Mays Business School Center for Executive Development during FY 2025, including any amendments, modifications or extensions to revenue agreements created prior to FY 2025, subject to review for legal form and sufficiency by the Office of General Counsel. Each such agreement must be structured so that the revenue generated by the agreement will cover, at a minimum, all costs incurred by Texas A&M University in performing under the agreement. Total consideration under any agreement will not exceed \$3,000,000 and the term for any agreement will not exceed five years.

**MINUTE ORDER 189-2024 (ITEM 6.20)**

**AUTHORIZATION FOR THE PRESIDENT TO NEGOTIATE  
AND EXECUTE CERTAIN SPECIFIED CONTRACTS INVOLVING  
CONSIDERATION OF \$500,000 OR MORE,  
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 the contracts, and other related documents necessary to administer or implement the contracts, listed in the exhibit, Contract List No. 24-04, subject to review for legal form and sufficiency by the Office of General Counsel.

**MINUTE ORDER 190-2024 (ITEM 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,  
TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY-CENTRAL TEXAS**

The Board of Regents of The Texas A&M University System approves the establishment of a new degree program at Texas A&M University-Central Texas leading to a Doctor of Education degree with a major in Educational Leadership.

The Board also authorizes submission of Texas A&M University-Central Texas's new degree program request to the Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board for approval and hereby certifies that all applicable criteria of the Coordinating Board have been met.

**MINUTE ORDER 191-2024 (ITEM 6.22)**

**AUTHORIZATION TO AWARD AN HONORARY DEGREE TO  
LIEUTENANT GENERAL HORACE “PETE” TAYLOR,  
TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY-CENTRAL TEXAS**

Texas A&M University-Central Texas is authorized to award an Honorary Doctor of Humanities degree to Lieutenant General Horace “Pete” Taylor, U.S. Army, Retired.

**MINUTE ORDER 192-2024 (ITEM 6.23)**

**APPROVAL OF ACADEMIC TENURE, AUGUST 2024,  
TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY-COMMERCE**

The Board of Regents of The Texas A&M University System, in accordance with System Policy 12.01, Academic Freedom, Responsibility and Tenure, hereby authorizes the granting of tenure to the following faculty members at Texas A&M University-Commerce as set forth in the exhibit, Tenure List No. 24-04.

**MINUTE ORDER 193-2024 (ITEM 6.24)**

**APPROVAL OF AMENDED MISSION STATEMENT  
AND AUTHORIZATION TO PROVIDE NOTIFICATION TO  
THE TEXAS HIGHER EDUCATION COORDINATING BOARD,  
TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY-COMMERCE**

The Board of Regents of The Texas A&M University System approves the amended Mission Statement for Texas A&M University-Commerce as shown in the attached exhibit. The Board also authorizes notification of Texas A&M University-Commerce’s amended Mission Statement to the Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board.

**MINUTE ORDER 194-2024 (ITEM 6.25)**

**NAMING OF THE BAND HALL IN THE MUSIC BUILDING,  
AS THE “JAMES F. KEENE BAND HALL,”  
TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY-COMMERCE**

The Board of Regents of The Texas A&M University System hereby names the Band Hall on the campus of Texas A&M University-Commerce the “James F. Keene Band Hall.”



**MINUTE ORDER 195-2024 (ITEM 6.26)**

**APPROVAL OF ACADEMIC TENURE, AUGUST 2024,  
TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY-CORPUS CHRISTI**

The Board of Regents of The Texas A&M University System, in accordance with System Policy 12.01, Academic Freedom, Responsibility and Tenure, hereby authorizes the granting of tenure to the following faculty members at Texas A&M University-Corpus Christi as set forth in the exhibit, Tenure List No. 24-04.

**MINUTE ORDER 196-2024 (ITEM 6.27)**

**NAMING OF THE CONCESSION STAND IN THE  
PERFORMING ARTS CENTER AT TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY-CORPUS CHRISTI,  
AS THE “LUCY AND DICK MCCRACKEN CONCESSION STAND,”  
TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY-CORPUS CHRISTI**

The Board of Regents of The Texas A&M University System hereby names the concession stand in the Performing Arts Center at Texas A&M University-Corpus Christi the “Lucy and Dick McCracken Concession Stand.”

**MINUTE ORDER 197-2024 (ITEM 6.28)**

**NAMING OF EXHIBIT SPACE WITHIN THE SPECIAL COLLECTIONS  
AND ARCHIVES SPACE IN THE CHAPPARAL DOWNTOWN BUILDING,  
AS THE “JIM AND CANDACE MOLONEY EXHIBIT SPACE,”  
TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY-CORPUS CHRISTI**

The Board of Regents of The Texas A&M University System hereby names the exhibit space within the Special Collections and Archives Space in the Chapparral Downtown Building the “Jim and Candace Moloney Exhibit Space.”

**MINUTE ORDER 198-2024 (ITEM 6.29)**

**NAMING OF THE MULTIPURPOSE ROOM WITHIN THE SPECIAL COLLECTIONS  
AND ARCHIVES SPACE IN THE CHAPPARAL DOWNTOWN BUILDING,  
AS THE “PATTY AND HANK NUSS MULTIPURPOSE ROOM,”  
TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY-CORPUS CHRISTI**

The Board of Regents of The Texas A&M University System hereby names the multipurpose room within the Special Collections and Archives Space in the Chapparral Downtown Building the “Patty and Hank Nuss Multipurpose Room.”

**MINUTE ORDER 199-2024 (ITEM 6.30)**

**NAMING OF AN OFFICE WITHIN THE  
SPECIAL COLLECTIONS AND ARCHIVES SPACE IN THE  
CHAPPARAL DOWNTOWN BUILDING, AS THE “ARTURO VASQUEZ, CPA  
GRADUATE ASSISTANT, FELLOW, AND VOLUNTEER OFFICE,”  
TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY-CORPUS CHRISTI**

The Board of Regents of The Texas A&M University System hereby names an office within the Special Collections and Archives Space in the downtown building the “Arturo Vasquez, CPA Graduate Assistant, Fellow, and Volunteer Office.”

**MINUTE ORDER 200-2024 (ITEM 6.31)**

**NAMING OF THE OFFICE WITHIN THE  
SPECIAL COLLECTIONS AND ARCHIVES SPACE IN THE CHAPPARAL  
DOWNTOWN BUILDING, AS THE “ELIZABETH AND JERRY SUSSER OFFICE FOR  
THE DIRECTOR OF SPECIAL COLLECTIONS AND ARCHIVES,”  
TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY-CORPUS CHRISTI**

The Board of Regents of The Texas A&M University System hereby names the office within the Special Collections and Archives Space in the Chapparral Downtown Building the “Elizabeth and Jerry Susser Office for the Director of Special Collections and Archives.”

**MINUTE ORDER 201-2024 (ITEM 6.32)**

**NAMING OF THE READING ROOM WITHIN THE  
SPECIAL COLLECTIONS AND ARCHIVES SPACE IN THE CHAPPARAL  
DOWNTOWN BUILDING, AS THE “JOHN ROGER BATEMAN READING ROOM,”  
TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY-CORPUS CHRISTI**

The Board of Regents of The Texas A&M University System hereby names the reading room within the Special Collections and Archives Space in the Chapparral Downtown Building the “John Roger Bateman Reading Room.”

**MINUTE ORDER 202-2024 (ITEM 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,  
TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY-TEXARKANA**

The Board of Regents of The Texas A&M University System approves the establishment of a new degree program at Texas A&M University-Texarkana leading to a Bachelor of Science in Computer Engineering.

The Board also authorizes submission of Texas A&M University-Texarkana’s new degree program request to the Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board for approval and hereby certifies that all applicable criteria of the Coordinating Board have been met.

**MINUTE ORDER 203-2024 (ITEM 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,  
TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY-TEXARKANA**

The Board of Regents of The Texas A&M University System approves the establishment of a new Master of Business Administration degree program, with a major in Quantitative Finance at Texas A&M University-Texarkana.

The Board also authorizes submission of Texas A&M University-Texarkana’s new degree program request to the Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board for approval and hereby certifies that all applicable criteria of the Coordinating Board have been met.

**MINUTE ORDER 204-2024 (ITEM 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,  
TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY-TEXARKANA**

The Board of Regents of The Texas A&M University System approves the establishment of a new degree program at Texas A&M University-Texarkana leading to a Master of Healthcare Administration with a major in Healthcare Administration.

The Board also authorizes submission of Texas A&M University-Texarkana’s new degree program request to the Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board for approval and hereby certifies that all applicable criteria of the Coordinating Board have been met.

**MINUTE ORDER 205-2024 (ITEM 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,  
TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY-TEXARKANA**

The Board of Regents of The Texas A&M University System approves the establishment of a new degree program at Texas A&M University-Texarkana leading to a Master of Science in Engineering with a major in Engineering.

The Board also authorizes submission of Texas A&M University-Texarkana's new degree program request to the Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board for approval and hereby certifies that all applicable criteria of the Coordinating Board have been met.

**MINUTE ORDER 206-2024 (ITEM 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,  
TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY-TEXARKANA**

The Board of Regents of The Texas A&M University System approves the establishment of a new degree program at Texas A&M University-Texarkana leading to a Master of Science with a major in Engineering Management.

The Board also authorizes submission of Texas A&M University-Texarkana's new degree program request to the Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board for approval and hereby certifies that all applicable criteria of the Coordinating Board have been met.

**MINUTE ORDER 207-2024 (ITEM 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,  
TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY-TEXARKANA**

The Board of Regents approves the establishment of a new degree program at Texas A&M University-Texarkana leading to a Doctor of Nursing Practice degree with a major in Nursing Practice.

The Board also authorizes submission of Texas A&M University-Texarkana’s new degree program request to the Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board for approval and hereby certifies that all applicable criteria of the Coordinating Board have been met.

**MINUTE ORDER 208-2024 (ITEM 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,  
TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY-TEXARKANA**

The Board of Regents approves the establishment of a new degree program at Texas A&M University-Texarkana leading to a Doctor of Physical Therapy degree with a major in Physical Therapy.

The Board also authorizes submission of Texas A&M University-Texarkana’s new degree program request to the Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board for approval and hereby certifies that all applicable criteria of the Coordinating Board have been met.

**MINUTE ORDER 209-2024 (ITEM 6.40)**

**ESTABLISHMENT OF THE NORTHEAST TEXAS STEM CENTER,  
TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY-TEXARKANA**

The Northeast Texas STEM Center is hereby established as an organizational unit of Texas A&M University-Texarkana within the College of Business, Engineering, and Technology.

**MINUTE ORDER 210-2024 (ITEM 6.41)**

**AUTHORIZATION TO AWARD AN  
HONORARY DEGREE TO SONJA YATES HUBBARD,  
TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY-TEXARKANA**

The President of Texas A&M University-Texarkana is authorized to award an Honorary Doctor of Leadership degree to Sonja Yates Hubbard.

**MINUTE ORDER 211-2024 (ITEM 6.42)**

**NAMING OF FACILITY AND AREA WITHIN THE ATHLETIC COMPLEX,  
AS THE “MCCULLOCH HOSPITALITY SUITE & TERRACE,”  
TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY-TEXARKANA**

The Board of Regents of The Texas A&M University System hereby names the Hospitality Suite & Terrace within the Athletic Complex on the campus of Texas A&M University-Texarkana the “McCulloch Hospitality Suite & Terrace.”

**MINUTE ORDER 212-2024 (ITEM 6.43)**

**APPROVAL OF ACADEMIC TENURE, AUGUST 2024,  
WEST TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY**

The Board of Regents of The Texas A&M University System, in accordance with System Policy 12.01, Academic Freedom, Responsibility and Tenure, hereby authorizes the granting of tenure to the following faculty members at West Texas A&M University as set forth in the exhibit, Tenure List No. 24-04.

**MINUTE ORDER 213-2024 (ITEM 6.44)**

**AUTHORIZATION TO AWARD AN  
HONORARY DEGREE TO CONNIE WOOTTON,  
WEST TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY**

The President of West Texas A&M University is authorized to award an Honorary Doctor of Philosophy in Education degree to Connie Wootton.

**MINUTE ORDER 214-2024 (ITEM 6.45)**

**AUTHORIZATION TO ESTABLISH TWO  
QUASI-ENDOWMENTS IN THE SYSTEM ENDOWMENT FUND ENTITLED  
THE “JIMMY WILLIAMS NATURAL RESOURCES MODELING AWARD  
QUASI ENDOWMENT,” AND THE “ALLAN JONES AGRO-ECOSYSTEM  
MODELING AWARD QUASI ENDOWMENT,”  
TEXAS A&M AGRILIFE RESEARCH**

The Board of Regents of The Texas A&M University System authorizes the director of Texas A&M AgriLife Research to establish two quasi-endowments in the System Endowment Fund entitled as follows:

- “Jimmy Williams Natural Resources Modeling Award Quasi Endowment”
- “Allan Jones Agro-Ecosystem Modeling Award Quasi Endowment”

**MINUTE ORDER 215-2024 (ITEM 6.46)**

**AUTHORIZATION TO EXECUTE FEDERAL AND STATE  
|NON-RESEARCH GRANT AGREEMENTS AND ANY AMENDMENTS,  
MODIFICATIONS OR EXTENSIONS,  
TEXAS A&M FOREST SERVICE**

The Director of the Texas A&M Forest Service, or designee, is authorized to execute, following review for legal sufficiency by the Office of General Counsel, grant agreements, amendments, modifications, or extensions with the United States Department of Agriculture – Forest Service for the Fiscal Year 2025 Consolidated Programs Grant, the Fiscal Year 2025 Bipartisan Infrastructure Law Grants, and the Fiscal Year 2025 Community Wildfire Defense Grant, and with the Office of the Governor for the Fiscal Year 2025 Texas Statewide Emergency Radio Infrastructure Grant.

**MINUTE ORDER 216-2024 (ITEM 6.47)**

**APPROVAL OF THE TEXAS DIVISION OF EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT  
DISASTER RECOVERY LOAN PROGRAM RULE REVISIONS,  
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 amend the rule for the TDEM Disaster Recovery Loan Program.

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

Vice Chairman Albritton thanked everyone for attending the meeting and for all the time and work put in to making the board meetings a success. He announced that the next regular Board meeting was scheduled for November 6-8, 2024.

RECESS TO EXECUTIVE SESSION

Vice Chairman Albritton recessed the meeting at 2:16 p.m., Thursday, August 1, 2024.

(Note: The Board met in executive session from 10:05 a.m. until 1:58 p.m. on July 31, 2024, and from 8:03 a.m. until 1:26 p.m., from 2:25 p.m. until 2:35 p.m., and from 4:15 p.m. until 4:25 p.m. on August 1, 2024.)

RECONVENE IN OPEN SESSION AND ADJOURN

Vice Chairman Albritton reconvened the meeting in open session at 4:28 p.m. and announced that the meeting was adjourned.

Vickie Burt Spillers
Executive Director, Board of Regents

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