

**TEXAS WOMAN'S UNIVERSITY SYSTEM BOARD OF REGENTS
FULL BOARD MINUTES
February 17, 2023**

**TWU Denton Campus
Hubbard Hall – Southeast Ballroom**

Roll Call:

Present Full Board Members:

Regents McDavid (Acting Chair), Coleman, Hyde, Jester, Shepard, Sweatt, Wilson, Wright, and L. Wilson (non-voting)

Present Administrators:

Dr. Carine M. Feyten, Chancellor and President; Ms. Katherine A. Antwi, General Counsel, Secretary to the Board, and Chief Compliance Officer; Dr. O. Finley Graves, Interim Executive Vice President for Academic Affairs and Provost; Ms. Kristina Kaskel-Ruiz, Vice President for Marketing and Communication; Dr. Monica Mendez-Grant, Vice President for Student Life; Dr. Kimberly Russell, Vice President for University Advancement; Mr. Jason Tomlinson, Vice President for Finance and Administration; and Dr. Javier Flores, Associate Vice President for Enrollment Management.

I. Call Full Board Meeting to Order

With a quorum present, Regent McDavid, Acting Chair of the Board of Regents, called the meeting to order at **9:05 a.m.** Regent McDavid welcomed attendees to the Denton campus.

II. Consider Approval of the Minutes of the Special Called Board of Regents Workshop Meeting of November 10, 2022 and the Full Board Meeting of November 11, 2022

Motion to Approve Minutes: Regent Wilson motioned, and Regent Coleman seconded. The motion passed with a unanimous vote.

The minutes of the Special Called Board of Regents Workshop Meeting of **November 10, 2022** and the Full Board Meeting of **November 11, 2022** were approved as submitted.

III. Consent Agenda

Regent McDavid said the Board would now take up Items A through C and E through P on the Consent Agenda from the Finance and Audit Committee and the Academic Affairs Committee meetings. Regent McDavid reminded the Board that Item I was pulled from the Finance and Audit Committee's agenda and, as such, Item D as listed on the Consent Agenda would not be considered by the Board.

Regent McDavid asked if any Regent would like to pull any other item for separate discussion. She then asked if there was any additional discussion about any of the agenda items.

Motion to Approve A through C and E through P on the Consent Agenda as presented in their respective Committees: Regent Hyde motioned, and Regent Jester seconded. The motion passed with a unanimous vote.

- Item A. Recommend Approval of Building Name Change from Margo Jones Auditorium to Margo Jones Performance Hall**
- Item B. Recommend Approval of Blagg-Huey Library Exterior Repairs**
- Item C. Recommend Approval of Climate-Controlled Warehouse Project**
- Item E. Recommend Approval of Delegation of Contract Authority for the Texas Woman's University Board Dining Contract with Chartwells**
- Item F. Recommend Approval of Revisions to Regent Policy E.50200: Signature Authority for Contracts and Agreements**
- Item G. Recommend Approval of Revisions to Regent Policy E.50000: Finance Administration and Budget**
- Item H. Recommend Approval of Acceptance of Grants**
- Item I. Recommend Approval of Hybrid Delivery of Existing Doctor of Philosophy Degree in Multicultural Women's and Gender Studies**
- Item J. Recommend Approval of Fully Online Delivery of Existing Master of Arts in Political Science Degree**
- Item K. Recommend Approval of Fully Online Delivery of Existing Master of Arts Degree in History**
- Item L. Recommend Approval of Hybrid Delivery of Existing Master of Science in Mathematics Teaching Degree**
- Item M. Recommend Approval of New Bachelor of Music Degree**
- Item N. Recommend Approval of Fully Online Delivery of New Master of Science in Accountancy Degree**
- Item O. Recommend Approval of Hybrid Delivery of New Bachelor of Science in Public Health Degree**
- Item P. Recommend Approval of Honorary Degree Nomination**

As a result of the vote, Ms. Susan Lipton Garber was awarded a Doctor of Health Sciences (h.c.).

IV. Presentation

Item A. Recognize Departing Board of Regents Members: Regent Wu, Regent Jester, and Regent Coleman

Regent McDavid recognized departing members Regents Wu, Jester, and Coleman for their service on the Board. As Regent Wu was recognized in the Academic Affairs Committee on February 16, 2023, Regent McDavid thanked Regents Jester and Coleman for their commitment and devotion to the Texas Woman's University System. Regent Jester stated that it was an honor and privilege to serve on the Board. Regent

Coleman remarked that she was proud to be a member of this Board.

V. Full Board Agenda

Regent McDavid said that the Board would now take up the Agenda Items as listed.

Motion to Take up Agenda Items as Listed: Regent Wright motioned, and Regent Shepard seconded. The motion passed with a unanimous vote.

Item A. Report on Texas Woman's University Athletics

Dr. Monica Mendez-Grant, Vice President for Student Life, introduced Ms. Sandee Mott, Director of Athletics, who provided an update on TWU Athletics. Ms. Mott informed the Board of the 2023 Fall academic results for student-athletes. She then provided updates on the Women's Wrestling, STUNT, Basketball, Gymnastics, Softball, and Artistic Swimming teams.

Item B. Report on Texas Woman's University Greek Life

Dr. Monica Mendez-Grant, Vice President for Student Life, introduced Mr. Kyle Voyles, Executive Director for Center for Student Development, who provided information to the Board on TWU Greek Life. Mr. Voyles detailed information related to Greek Councils, including their leadership and service activities and academic achievements. He concluded his report by describing opportunities for Greek Life at TWU, including increasing membership and future expansion, and showed a video of the Alpha Gamma Delta chapter room. Mr. Voyles then introduced Ms. Essence Landry and Ms. Emilie Cannabis who presented their experiences in Greek life at TWU.

Item C. Report on the Persistence Gains of Student Demographic Groups at Texas Woman's University

Dr. O. Finley Graves, Interim Executive Vice President for Academic Affairs and Provost, introduced Dr. Mark Hamner, Vice Provost for Institutional Research and Improvement, and Dr. Michael Stankey, Director of Analytics to the Board. Drs. Hamner and Stankey detailed to the Board recent findings on persistence gains made by Black and Hispanic students over the past ten years, narrowing the persistence gap between Black, Hispanic, and White students.

Item D. Report on Office of Governmental and Legislative Affairs

Mr. Kevin Crusier, Director of Governmental and Legislative Affairs, provided an update on the Office of Governmental and Legislative Affairs. Mr. Crusier informed the Board of recent developments in the current Legislative session, including budgetary updates, committee assignments, and recent bill proposals. He concluded his report by mentioning that Tuesday, February 21, 2023 is TWU Day at the Texas Capitol.

VI. Report on the Office of the Chancellor and President and New Strategic Plan Process

Chancellor Carine M. Feyten, Chancellor and President, presented to the Board national and state dialogue related to higher education. Chancellor Feyten then provided details on the new Strategic Plan process and updates that have been made to the new Strategic Plan in recent months.

VII. Texas Woman's University System Board of Regents Officer Elections

Regent McDavid presided over the Board of Regents Officer Elections for the 2023-2025 term.

Regent Wilson nominated Regent McDavid for the position of Board Chair and Presiding Officer. There were no other nominations for the Board Chair and Presiding Officer position. Regent McDavid stated that she looked forward to serving as the Board Chair and Presiding Officer.

Regent Jester nominated Regent Wright for the position of Vice Chair and Assistant Presiding Officer. Regent Wilson seconded the nomination. There were no other nominations for the Vice Chair and Assistant Presiding Officer position. Regent Wright stated that she looks forward to serving the Board in this capacity.

Regent McDavid then announced that Regent Hyde was appointed as Chair of the Academic Affairs Committee for a two-year term.

VIII. Adjourn Full Board Meeting to Executive Closed Session

Regent McDavid then announced that the Board would recess to Executive Closed Session for Deliberations Regarding Personnel Matters Relating to Appointment, Employment, Evaluation, Reassignment, Duties, Discipline, or Dismissal of Public Officers or Employees pursuant to Section 551.074 of the Texas Government Code. Specifically, she stated that the Board would engage in Consultation regarding Board of Regents Self-Evaluation.

The meeting adjourned at **10:51 a.m.**

IX. Reconvene into Open Session and Take Any Possible Action Regarding Matters Discussed in Executive Closed Session

At the conclusion of the Executive Closed Session, Regent McDavid reconvened the meeting of the Full Board into open session, a quorum being present at **11:12 a.m.** Regent McDavid stated the Board would take any possible action regarding matters discussed in Executive Closed Session.

Regent McDavid confirmed that the Board successfully completed its Self-Evaluation as required by the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools Commission on Colleges.

X. Future Business

Regent McDavid asked if there were any comments or requests from any Regents regarding future issues or subjects to discuss.

XI. Regents' Remarks

Regent McDavid told the Board that the next Board of Regents meeting is scheduled for May 16 and 17, 2023 on the Dallas Campus.

XII. Adjourn Full Board Meeting

With no further business coming before the Board of Regents, Regent McDavid adjourned the Board of Regents meeting at **11:14 a.m.**