



TEXAS TECH UNIVERSITY SYSTEM

BOARD OF REGENTS

AGENDA BOOK

February 29 – March 1, 2024



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Facilities:

Dusty Womble (Chair) and Arcilia Acosta (Vice Chair)

Finance and Investments:

Cody Campbell (Chair) and Pat Gordon (Vice Chair)

[NOTE: All nine board members serve as voting members of each committee.]

AGENDA

Board of Regents Meeting

Wichita Falls, Texas

February 29 – March 1, 2024

Abbreviated Agenda with Approximate Times*

Thursday, February 29, 2024

Meeting of the Board

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| 9:30 am | Call to Order; convene as Meeting of the Board and Committee of the Whole Board <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Report and Update on Midwestern State University
Location: MSU, Clark Student Center, Comanche Suites (Rm 135), 3410 Taft Blvd, Wichita Falls, Texas |
| 9:45 am | Recess |

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| 9:45 am
(or upon recess of the Meeting of the Board) | Finance and Investments Committee
Location: MSU, Clark Student Center, Comanche Suites (Rm 135), 3410 Taft Blvd, Wichita Falls, Texas |
| 10:15 am
(or upon adjournment of the Finance and Investments Cmte. Meeting) | Academic, Clinical and Student Affairs Committee
Location: MSU, Clark Student Center, Comanche Suites (Rm 135), 3410 Taft Blvd, Wichita Falls, Texas |
| 11:15 am
(or upon adjournment of the ACS Cmte. meeting) | Audit Committee
Location: MSU, Clark Student Center, Comanche Suites (Rm 135), 3410 Taft Blvd, Wichita Falls, Texas |
| 11:35 am
(or upon adjournment of the Audit Cmte. meeting) | Facilities Committee
Location: MSU, Clark Student Center, Comanche Suites (Rm 135), 3410 Taft Blvd, Wichita Falls, Texas |

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11:55 am	Executive Session Location: MSU, Clark Student Center, Cheyenne Room (Rm 171), 3410 Taft Blvd, Wichita Falls, Texas
3:20 pm	Following Executive Session, reconvene into Open Session as Committee of the Whole <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • ES Motions, if any Location: MSU, Clark Student Center, Comanche Suites (Rm 135), 3410 Taft Blvd, Wichita Falls, Texas
3:30 pm	Recess

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Meeting of the Board

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| 8:30 am | <p>Call to Order; reconvene as Meeting of the Board and Committee of the Whole Board</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Chancellor's Distinguished Teaching and Research Awards presentations • Introductions and Recognitions • Approval of minutes • Approval of Consent and Information agendas • 2024 BOR meeting schedule • SGA President Reports <p>Location: MSU, Clark Student Center, Comanche Suites (Rm 135), 3410 Taft Blvd, Wichita Falls, Texas</p> |
| 9:45 am | <p>Executive Session</p> <p>Location: MSU, Clark Student Center, Cheyenne Room (Rm 171), 3410 Taft Blvd, Wichita Falls, Texas</p> |
| 10:45 am | <p>Following Executive Session, reconvene into Open Session as Committee of the Whole</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • ES Motions, if any • Announcements <p>Location: MSU, Clark Student Center, Comanche Suites (Rm 135), 3410 Taft Blvd, Wichita Falls, Texas</p> |
| 11:00 am | <p>Adjournment</p> |

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Midwestern State University
Clark Student Center
Comanche Suites (Room 135)
3410 Taft Boulevard
Wichita Falls, Texas 76308

I. Meeting of the Board—Call to Order; convene into Open Session of the Board. The Board will continue in Open Session and meet as a Committee of the Whole and Meeting of the Board to consider and act on: Chairman Griffin

A. Report and Update on Midwestern State University President Haynie

II. Recess Chairman Griffin

III. Meeting of Standing Committees

Location: MSU, Clark Student Center, Comanche Suites (Rm 135), 3410 Taft Blvd, Wichita Falls, Texas

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IV. Meeting of the Board—Call to Order; reconvene into Open Session of the Board...... Chairman Griffin

V. Executive Session: The Board will convene into Executive Session, in the Clark Student Center, Cheyenne Room (Rm 171), 3410 Taft Blvd, to consider matters permissible under Chapter 551 of the *Texas Government Code*, including, for example: ... Chairman Griffin

A. Consultation with attorney regarding privileged communications, pending or contemplated litigation and settlement negotiations – Section 551.071

B. Deliberations regarding real property: The purchase, lease, exchange, or value of real property – Section 551.072

C. Deliberations regarding prospective gifts – Section 551.073

D. Personnel matters: Discuss the appointment, employment, evaluation, reassignment, duties, discipline or dismissal of employees – Section 551.074

E. Deliberations regarding security devices—deployment of security personnel or devices – Section 551.076

VI. Open Session: The Board will convene into Open Session in the Clark Student Center, Comanche Suites (Rm 135), 3410 Taft Blvd, and meet as a Committee of the Whole and Meeting of the Board to consider and act on:

A. Consideration of appropriate action, if any, on items discussed in Executive Session Vice Chairwoman Kerrick Davis

VII. Recess Chairman Griffin

Friday, March 1, 2024
Midwestern State University
Clark Student Center
Comanche Suites (Room 135)
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- A. Chancellor’s Distinguished Teaching and Research Awards Chancellor Mitchell
- B. Introductions and Recognitions Chancellor Mitchell, President Hawkins, President Haynie, President Schovanec, President Rice-Spearman, and President Lange

IX. Recess (if necessary, for standing committees to meet; otherwise continue in Open Session (XII.))

X. Meeting of Standing Committees (if not concluded on Thursday)

XI. Meeting of the Board—Call to Order; reconvene into Open Session of the Board (only if the Meeting of the Board was recessed to conduct committee meetings)

XII. Open Session: The Board will continue in Open Session and meet as a Committee of the Whole and Meeting of the Board to consider and act on:

- A. Approve minutes of the board meeting held on November 16-17, 2023 Chairman Griffin
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- d. TTU: Approve leave of absence without pay (ACS)
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- g. TTUHSC: Approve emeritus appointments (ACS)
- h. TTU: Approve updating building names (F)
- i. TTU: Approve naming within the Corky Oglesby Track & Field administrative office addition (F)
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- k. ASU: Authorize the president to execute a contract amendment with Skyline Aviation Inc. for Flight Training Courses for the 2025 school year (FI)
- l. TTU: Authorize the president to finalize negotiations and execute a fourth amendment to the neutral host lease agreement with New Cingular Wireless PCS, LLC (FI)
- m. TTU, TTUHSC and TTUHSC El Paso: Approve commissioning of police officers (FI)
- n. TTU and TTUS: Approve purchasing contract(s) in excess of \$1,000,000 (FI)
- o. TTUHSC El Paso: Approve establishment of quasi-endowment matching a private gift and benefitting the Hunt School of Nursing (FI)
- p. TTUHSC El Paso: Approve establishment of quasi-endowment matching a private gift and benefitting the Hunt School of Dental Medicine (FI)

Information Agenda

Information is provided as required by Section 01.02.7.d(4)(c),
Regents' Rules

- (1) ASU, MSU, TTU, TTUHSC and TTUHSC El Paso: Summary of Revenues and Expenditures by Budget Category, FY 2024 (as of November 30, 2023), per Section 01.02.8.d(3)(g), *Regents' Rules* – All actual expenditures will be reviewed by the Finance and Investments Committee annually and provided as information. Financial reports for the most recently completed quarter for each of the component institutions are available at: <https://www.texas-tech.edu/offices/cfo/board-financial-reports.php>
- (2) TTUHSC: Contracts for ongoing and continuing health-related service relationships per Section 07.12.4.c, *Regents' Rules* – The following are excepted from the requirements of Section 07.12.3.a and Section 07.12.3.b, *Regents' Rules*, “the board delegates to the presidents of health-related institutions the authority to approve the proposals and execute and sign contracts for health related services, as specified herein. This delegation is limited to contracts with entities for which the institution has an ongoing and continuing contractual relationship, to include: revenue contracts from which the institution receives payment for health related services; participation in health provider networks; resident or faculty support; and expense contracts with healthcare providers or suppliers necessary to fulfill the obligation to provide health related services as part of a revenue contract or new health related services contracts that involve a stated or implied consideration that total in excess of \$1,000,000 over the entire term of the contract but the per annum amount is less than \$1,000,000. Before such a contract may be executed, the president shall obtain the prior review of the TTU system Office of General Counsel and the TTU system vice chancellor and chief financial officer, or their designees. A list of health-related services contracts that have been executed under this delegation of authority since the previous regular board meeting shall be provided to the board as an information item at the next regular board meeting.”
- (3) TTU, TTUHSC, and TTUHSC El Paso: Contracts that involve a stated or implied consideration that total in excess of \$1,000,000 over the entire term of the contract but the per annum amount is less than \$1,000,000 per section 07.12.4 of the *Regents' Rules* – The following are excepted from the requirements of Section 07.12.3.a and 07.12.3.b, *Regents' Rules*, “the chancellor or president, or the

chancellor or presidents designee, as appropriate, is delegated the authority to approve: (i) contracts that involve a stated or implied consideration that total in excess of \$1,000,000 over the entire term of the contract but the per annum amount is less than \$1,000,000; and (ii) any amendment, extension, or renewal of a contract originally approved by the chancellor or president, as appropriate, so long as the amendment, extension, or renewal does not cause the per annum amount of the contract to exceed \$1,000,000. This requirement is applicable to both cash and non-cash considerations. Information about such contracts or contract amendments, extensions, or renewals that are approved by the chancellor or a president under this delegation of authority shall be provided to the board as an information item at the next regular board meeting.”

- (4) ASU, TTUHSC and TTUHSC El Paso: Consulting contracts with an initial consideration of \$100,000 or less per Section 07.12.4.e.(2), *Regents’ Rules* – “(a) Board approval is not required, but the vice chancellor and chief financial officer, in consultation with the chancellor, presidents, and chief financial officers of the institutions, shall review consulting contracts of \$100,000 or less prior to execution of the contract by the chancellor or president, as appropriate. (b) A report of the contract shall be provided as an Information Agenda item at the next board meeting.”
- (5) TTU and TTUHSC: Contracts for Sponsored Programs Projects per Section 07.12.4.b., *Regents’ Rules* – “The board delegates to the presidents the authority to approve the proposals and execute and sign contracts for sponsored program projects in excess of \$1,000,000 per annum. Sponsored program projects are those grants, contracts, and cooperative agreements from either the public or private sectors that support research, instructional, and service projects. A list of such contracts for sponsored program projects in excess of \$1,000,000 per annum shall be provided to the board as an information item at the next regular board meeting.”
- (6) TTUS: Named Funds per Section 13.02.3.a, *Regents’ Rules* – “The board delegates approvals to name endowments or other gift funds established through a private gift of less than \$5 million to the president of the benefitting institution, in consultation and cooperation with the chancellor and the vice chancellor of Institutional Advancement. Notice shall be provided to the board of regents as part of the information agenda at the next board meeting.”

(7) TTU: Emergency or exigent circumstances for Budget Adjustment, Section 07.04.4.a(2), *Regents’ Rules* – “Emergency and exigent circumstances approvals. When an emergency or exigent circumstances exist, the chair or the chair of the Finance and Investments Committee may approve a proposal submitted by the chancellor, or the chancellor’s designee, for budget adjustments which establish a new budget in excess of \$2,000,000 or increase an existing budget to an amount in excess of \$2,000,000 due to new activities and/or revenue sources, with subsequent notification to the board at the next regular board meeting.”

- C. Schedule for Board meetings:
 - May 9, 2024, Lubbock
 - August 8-9, 2024, Lubbock
 - November 14-15, 2024, Lubbock Keino McWhinney

- D. Student Government Association Reports Kam Wiese,
 - Zetta Cannedy,
 - Joel Rivero,
 - Cheyanna Petty,
 - and Georgia Hejny

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A. Consideration of appropriate action, if any, on items discussed in Executive Session Vice Chairwoman Kerrick Davis

B. Chairman's Announcements Chairman Griffin

XV. Adjournment Chairman Griffin

FINANCE AND INVESTMENTS

Finance and Investments Committee

Committee Meeting
February 29, 2024

Time: 9:45 am (or upon recess of the Meeting of the Board)

Place: MSU, Clark Student Center, Comanche Suites (Rm 135), 3410 Taft Blvd,
Wichita Falls, Texas

Regents: Campbell (Chair) and Gordon (Vice Chair)
(The Finance and Investments
Committee consists of all nine board
members.)

Agenda

- Approve minutes of committee meeting held on November 16, 2023

III.A. Consideration of items to be recommended by the Finance and Investments Committee to the Board of Regents of the Texas Tech University System (“TTUS”) for and on behalf of Angelo State University (“ASU”), Midwestern State University (“MSU”), the TTU System Administration (“TTUSA”), Texas Tech University (“TTU”), Texas Tech University Health Sciences Center (“TTUHSC”), and Texas Tech University Health Sciences Center at El Paso (“TTUHSC El Paso”)

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NOTE: All members of the Texas Tech University System Board of Regents serve as members on the Finance and Investments Committee. Action taken by this committee is final and does not require a report to the Full Board.

1. TTU: Authorize president to execute a consulting contract related to technology commercialization assistance and advisory support services for the Texas Tech University Office of Research Commercialization.

Presenter: Noel A. Sloan

Presentation Time: 3 minutes

Board approval required by: Section 07.12.3.e, *Regents' Rules*

RECOMMENDATION

The president recommends and the chancellor concurs that the Board of Regents authorize the president, or his designee, to approve and execute a contract with TreMonti Consulting, LLC to provide consulting services related to technology commercialization assistance and advisory support services for the Office of Research Commercialization ("ORC"). It is the responsibility of the ORC to identify, protect, market and license the intellectual property created by faculty, staff and students in the Texas Tech University System, as well as promote entrepreneurship, start-up ventures and economic development for the West Texas community.

BACKGROUND INFORMATION

TreMonti Consulting, LLC ("TreMonti") has extensive experience in providing advice and assistance to universities, governments, and companies regarding intellectual asset management issues. TreMonti has fully dedicated professionals with broad experience and in-depth knowledge in all sectors and disciplines relating to intellectual asset management. TreMonti utilizes state-of-the-art tools and methods in the management and commercialization of a wide spectrum of intellectual property.

TreMonti has rendered advice on best practices in technology transfer management and implementation. TreMonti advises clients regarding software tools, organization structure, methodologies, IP management processes, spin-offs, joint ventures, licensing structure and practice, sale of intellectual property, and other issues relating to the management of technology transfer. TreMonti has assisted numerous clients in the management and implementation of their technology transfer processes.

TreMonti's services are needed for the ORC to maintain operations and support review and valuation of assigned technologies.

TreMonti will work closely with ORC personnel to provide services which include but are not limited to: 1) Commercial assessment of technologies; 2) Development of marketing materials; 3) Technology marketing assistance; and, 4) Licensing comparables.

The estimated consulting fee is an average amount of \$100,000 annually. The university will also reimburse TreMonti's actual travel, lodging, and out-of-pocket expenses related to the services provided. The contract will be effective upon approval by execution and will expire three years thereafter.

Section 07.12.3.e. *Regents' Rules*, requires Board approval on consulting contracts with an initial consideration in excess of \$100,000.

2. ASU, MSU, and TTU: Approve non-academic fee updates, establishment of a graduate tuition rate, and a new undergraduate online degree program.

Presenter: Mr. James Mauldin

Presentation Time: 5 minutes

Board approval required by: Section 07.10, *Regents' Rules*; Sections 54.008, 54.017, 54.051, 54.0513, 54.216, 54.218, 54.5035, 54.504, and 55.16, *Texas Education Code*

RECOMMENDATION

The presidents of Angelo State University ("ASU"), Midwestern State University ("MSU") and Texas Tech University ("TTU") recommend and the chancellor concurs that the Board of Regents approve proposed updates to non-academic fees, the establishment of a graduate tuition rate (TTU), and a new undergraduate online degree program (TTU).

BACKGROUND INFORMATION

At the May 2022 Board of Regents meeting, the Board approved continuation of previously authorized tuition and fees for FY 2023 and to continue in effect until the Board of Regents approves a modification to the tuition and fees schedule. Unless otherwise noted below, ASU, MSU and TTU will continue the previously authorized tuition and fee rates with no change.

All tuition, fees, rentals, rates, and charges of ASU, MSU and TTU are charged and collected under specific authorization of the laws of the State of Texas, including, but not limited to, the authorization in *Texas Education Code*, Sections 54.008, 54.017, 54.051, 54.0513, 54.216, 54.218, 54.5035, 54.504, and 55.16 and other applicable sections.

The Board of Regents has delegated to the presidents of ASU, MSU and TTU the authority to establish waiver and exemption criteria and waiver and exemption approval procedures for the fees, rentals, rates, and charges in accordance with state laws, including but not limited to *Texas Education Code*, Sections 54.213(a), 54.261, 54.218, 54.5035, and 54.0513.

Regents' Rules, Section 07.10, requires that the administration present approval of tuition and student fees. Specific updates for ASU and TTU are presented on the accompanying pages.

Angelo State University

There are four non-academic fees at ASU proposed to be adjusted. This non-academic fee proposal will total \$70.50 per semester, a 1.49% increase, for a student taking 12 or more hours.

1.) Medical Service Fee and Language Update

This fee provides funds for the cost of providing medical services for students enrolled in the university. In accordance with Texas Education Code, Section 54.508, a flat fee will be charged for all enrolled students. ~~This fee only applies to students taking courses on the Angelo State University campus.~~ This fee will be increased from \$77 to \$84.50. Charging this fee to all students will allow all students to participate in telehealth or in clinic visits.

2.) University Center Fee

This fee will be increased from \$94 to \$103 (flat fee) to cover the cost of providing the same level of service currently provided.

3.) Increase Athletic Fee

This fee will be increased from \$33 to \$36 per semester credit hour to cover the rising cost of transportation.

4.) Increase Financial Services Fee

This fee will be increased from \$16 to \$17.50 per semester credit hour to cover the cost of providing the same level of service currently provided.

Texas Tech University

There are four proposed adjustments at TTU, including updates to fee language, setting a fee amount for a new online degree program, and applying differential tuition rate for a graduate program.

1.) Online Distance Education (OLDE) Language Update

(There will be no adjustments to the fee rate, however, language will be adjusted to now include scholarship support as underlined below.)

This fee provides funds for all aspects of providing online, distance education, and remote campus courses and is used to enhance academic distance learning excellence at Texas Tech. This fee will be used to support the Office of Online and Regional education and the instructional college or unit providing the course. These funds must be designated for support of online and regional activities, including student scholarship support, technology, software, and support academic instructional activities for providing the course.

2.) International Student Fee

(Language for this fee is being updated per guidance from TTUS Office of Internal Audit.) This fee is only charged to students classified with foreign residency and provides funds to support the additional services provided specifically to these students.

3.) School of Veterinary Medicine (SVM) Graduate Level Differential Tuition A differential tuition rate is proposed for master's degree courses.

Graduate level courses, conducted in partnership with the TTU Graduate School and SVM will be charged a differential tuition rate equivalent to that of the Davis College of Agriculture and Natural Resources, currently \$48 per semester credit hour.

4.) BA/BS in University Studies Degree Completion Program Fee

This program is a new online degree completion program that enables returning students with 70 or more semester credit hours to receive up to 9 prior learning credits, and to take TTU-instructed, micro credential courses. Upon successful completion, these courses will be converted to credit hours directly applicable to the BA/BS University Studies Degree program. This new fee is a flat fee of \$2,000.

3. TTUHSC and TTUHSC El Paso: Approve 2025-2027 tuition and mandatory fee rates.

Presenter: James Mauldin

Presentation Time: 5 minutes

Board approval required by: Section 07.10, *Regents' Rules*; Sections 54.008, 54.051, 54.0513, 54.213, 54.218, 54.261, 54.5035, 54.504, 54.545, and 55.16, *Texas Education Code*

RECOMMENDATION

The presidents of Texas Tech University Health Sciences Center (“TTUHSC”) and Texas Tech University Health Sciences Center El Paso (“TTUHSC El Paso”) recommend and the chancellor concurs that the Board of Regents approve proposed updates to tuition and mandatory fees for fiscal years 2025, 2026, and 2027.

BACKGROUND INFORMATION

At the May 2022 Board of Regents meeting, the Board approved continuation of previously authorized tuition and fees for FY 2023 and to continue in effect until the Board of Regents approves a modification to the tuition and fee schedule.

All tuition, fees, rentals, rates, and charges of TTUHSC and TTUHSC El Paso are charged and collected under specific authorization of the laws of the State of Texas, including, but not limited to, the authorization in *Texas Education Code*, Sections 54.008, 54.051, 54.0513, 54.218, 54.5035, 54.504, 54.545 and 55.16 and other applicable sections.

The Board of Regents has delegated to the presidents of TTUHSC and TTUHSC El Paso the authority to establish waiver and exemption criteria and waiver and exemption approval procedures for the fees, rentals, rates, and charges in accordance with state laws, including but not limited to *Texas Education Code*, Sections 54.213(a), 54.261, 54.218, 54.5035, 54.0513, and other applicable sections.

Regents' Rules, Section 07.10, requires that the administration present approval of tuition and student fees. Specific updates for TTUHSC and TTUHSC El Paso are presented on the accompanying pages.

TTUHSC: Tuition and Fee Three Year Proposed Plan
 Fiscal Years 2025, 2026 & 2027
PROPOSED TUITION RATE INCREASES

	Cost Basis	Current		Proposed	
		FY 2024	FY 2025	FY 2026	FY 2027
School of Medicine					
Designated	Annual	\$ 10,021.00	\$ 10,471.95	\$ 10,943.00	\$ 11,435.00
Board Authorized Tuition	Annual	\$ 850.00	\$ 1,200.00	\$ 1,200.00	\$ 1,200.00
School of Health Professions					
Designated	SCH	\$ 165.00	\$ 172.43	\$ 180.18	\$ 188.29
Graduate School of Biomedical Sciences					
Designated	SCH	\$ 108.00	\$ 112.86	\$ 117.94	\$ 123.25
School of Nursing					
Designated	SCH	\$ 165.00	\$ 172.43	\$ 180.18	\$ 188.29
School of Pharmacy					
Designated	SCH	\$ 233.00	\$ 243.49	\$ 254.44	\$ 265.89
School of Population and Public Health					
Designated	SCH	\$ 117.00	\$ 122.27	\$ 127.77	\$ 133.52

TTUHSC: Tuition and Fee Three Year Proposed Plan
 Fiscal Years 2025, 2026 & 2027
PROPOSED MANDATORY FEES (NEW OR INCREASED)

FEE	Cost Basis	Current		Proposed	
		FY 2024	FY 2025	FY 2026	FY 2027
Information Technology Fee					
School of Medicine	Annual	\$ 528.00	\$ 551.76	\$ 576.59	\$ 602.54
All Other Schools	Per SCH	\$ 22.00	\$ 22.99	\$ 24.02	\$ 25.11
Learning Resources Fee					
School of Medicine	Annual	\$ 408.00	\$ 426.36	\$ 445.55	\$ 465.60
All Other Schools	Per SCH	\$ 17.00	\$ 17.77	\$ 18.56	\$ 19.40
Malpractice Insurance Fee					
School of Medicine (Year 4 students only)	Annual	\$ 25.00	\$ 100.00	\$ 100.00	\$ 100.00
Records Processing Fee					
School of Medicine	Annual	\$ 37.50	\$ 45.00	\$ 45.00	\$ 45.00
Clinical Simulation Center Fee					
School of Nursing (per applicable course)	Per Course	\$ 150.00	\$ 184.50	\$ 184.50	\$ 184.50
Educational Technology Fee (New)					
School of Pharmacy (Alternate Pathway only)	Per Term		\$ 350.00	\$ 350.00	\$ 350.00

TTUHSC El Paso: Tuition and Fee Three Year Proposed Plan
Fiscal Years 2025, 2026 & 2027

PROPOSED TUITION RATE INCREASES

	Cost Basis	Current		Proposed	
		FY 2024	FY 2025	FY 2026	FY 2027
School of Medicine					
Designated	Annual	\$ 10,021.00	\$ 10,472.00	\$ 10,943.00	\$ 11,435.00
Differential	Annual	\$ 375.00	\$ 392.00	\$ 410.00	\$ 428.00
Designated Nonresident Supplemental Tuition	Annual	\$ 1,851.00	\$ 1,934.00	\$ 2,021.00	\$ 2,112.00
School of Dental Medicine					
Designated	Annual	\$ 18,750.00	\$ 19,594.00	\$ 20,476.00	\$ 21,397.00
Designated Nonresident Supplemental Tuition	Annual	\$ 9,200.00	\$ 9,614.00	\$ 10,047.00	\$ 10,499.00
School of Biomedical Sciences					
Designated	SCH	\$ 104.00	\$ 108.68	\$ 113.57	\$ 118.68
School of Nursing					
Designated	SCH	\$ 157.00	\$ 164.07	\$ 171.45	\$ 179.17

TTUHSC El Paso: Tuition and Fee Three Year Proposed Plan
 Fiscal Years 2025, 2026 & 2027
PROPOSED MANDATORY FEES (NEW OR INCREASED)

FEE	Cost Basis	Current		Proposed	
		FY 2024	FY 2025	FY 2026	FY 2027
Clinical Simulation Fee					
School of Medicine	Annual	\$ 1,681.00	\$ 1,681.00	\$ 1,681.00	\$ 1,731.43
School of Nursing	Per Term	\$ 939.00	\$ 939.00	\$ 939.00	\$ 967.17
School of Dental Medicine	Annual	\$ 450.00	\$ 450.00	\$ 450.00	\$ 463.50
Electronic Educational Resource Fee					
School of Medicine	Annual	\$ 400.00	\$ 400.00	\$ 400.00	\$ 605.00
Educational Tech Fee					
School of Medicine	Annual	\$ 250.00	\$ 470.00	\$ 470.00	\$ 508.00
School of Dental Medicine	Annual	\$ 7,289.20	\$ 10,205.00	\$ 10,205.00	\$ 10,613.00
ID Card Maintenance Fee					
Graduate School of Biomedical Sciences	Per Term	\$ 6.00	\$ 12.50	\$ 12.50	\$ 12.50
School of Medicine	Annual	\$ 15.00	\$ 25.00	\$ 25.00	\$ 25.00
School of Nursing	Per Term	\$ 6.00	\$ 8.33	\$ 8.33	\$ 8.33
School of Dental Medicine	Annual	\$ 15.00	\$ 25.00	\$ 25.00	\$ 25.00
Student Malpractice Insurance Fee					
School of Dental Medicine	Annual	\$ 25.00	\$ 61.00	\$ 61.00	\$ 61.00
School of Nursing	Per Term	\$ 7.00	\$ 10.00	\$ 10.00	\$ 10.00
Medical Services Fees					
Graduate School of Biomedical Sciences	Per Term	\$ 70.00	\$ 77.00	\$ 84.70	\$ 84.70
School of Medicine	Annual	\$ 175.00	\$ 192.50	\$ 211.75	\$ 211.75
School of Nursing	Per Term	\$ 70.00	\$ 77.00	\$ 84.70	\$ 84.70
School of Dental Medicine	Annual	\$ 175.00	\$ 192.50	\$ 211.75	\$ 211.75
NBME Testing Program Support Fee					
School of Medicine	Annual	\$ 325.00	\$ 410.00	\$ 410.00	\$ 450.00
Records Processing Fee					
Graduate School of Biomedical Sciences	Per Term	\$ 10.00	\$ 20.00	\$ 25.00	\$ 25.00
School of Medicine	Annual	\$ 25.00	\$ 40.00	\$ 50.00	\$ 50.00
School of Nursing	Per Term	\$ 10.00	\$ 13.33	\$ 16.67	\$ 16.67
School of Dental Medicine	Annual	\$ 25.00	\$ 40.00	\$ 50.00	\$ 50.00
Scientific Instruments and Specimens Fee					
School of Medicine	Annual	\$ 200.00	\$ 200.00	\$ 200.00	\$ 250.00
School of Dental Medicine	Annual	\$ 100.00	\$ 200.00	\$ 200.00	\$ 250.00
Student Services Fee					
Graduate School of Biomedical Sciences ≥ 7 SCH	Per Term	\$ 143.60	\$ 157.96	\$ 173.76	\$ 173.76
Graduate School of Biomedical Sciences ≤ 6 SCH	Per Term	\$ 71.80	\$ 78.98	\$ 86.88	\$ 86.88
School of Medicine	Annual	\$ 359.00	\$ 394.90	\$ 434.39	\$ 434.39
School of Nursing ≥ 7 SCH	Per Term	\$ 143.60	\$ 157.96	\$ 173.76	\$ 173.76
School of Nursing ≤ 6 SCH	Per Term	\$ 71.80	\$ 78.98	\$ 86.88	\$ 86.88
School of Dental Medicine	Annual	\$ 359.00	\$ 394.90	\$ 434.39	\$ 434.39
Student Union Fee					
Graduate School of Biomedical Sciences	Per Term	\$ 6.00	\$ 12.50	\$ 12.50	\$ 12.50
School of Medicine	Annual	\$ 15.00	\$ 25.00	\$ 25.00	\$ 25.00
School of Nursing	Per Term	\$ 6.00	\$ 8.33	\$ 8.33	\$ 8.33
School of Dental Medicine	Annual	\$ 15.00	\$ 25.00	\$ 25.00	\$ 25.00
Student Success & Matriculation Fee (New)					
Graduate School of Biomedical Sciences	Per Term	\$ -	\$ 150.00	\$ 175.00	\$ 175.00
School of Medicine	Annual	\$ -	\$ 300.00	\$ 350.00	\$ 350.00
School of Nursing	Per Term	\$ -	\$ 100.00	\$ 116.67	\$ 116.67
School of Dental Medicine	Annual	\$ -	\$ 300.00	\$ 350.00	\$ 350.00
Wellness & Career Development Fee (New)					
Graduate School of Biomedical Sciences	Per Term	\$ -	\$ 150.00	\$ 175.00	\$ 175.00
School of Medicine	Annual	\$ -	\$ 300.00	\$ 350.00	\$ 350.00
School of Nursing	Per Term	\$ -	\$ 100.00	\$ 116.67	\$ 116.67
School of Dental Medicine	Annual	\$ -	\$ 300.00	\$ 350.00	\$ 350.00
Graduation Fees					
All Schools	Flat Fee	\$ 75.00	\$ 100.00	\$ 125.00	\$ 125.00

4. TTUS: FY 2023 Annual Combined Financial Report.

Presenter: Mr. James Mauldin & Mr. Tim Barrett
Report requested by: Audit Committee Charter

Presentation Time: 10 minutes

Mr. James Mauldin, Vice Chancellor and Chief Financial Officer, TTUS, and Mr. Tim Barrett, Chief Investment Officer, Office of Investments, TTUS, will present a report on the FY 2023 annual combined financial statements of the TTU System.

5. TTUS: Investment Performance Update.

Presenter: James Mauldin
Report requested by: Board of Regents

Presentation Time: 10 minutes

James Mauldin, Vice Chancellor and CFO, TTUS, will provide an update on the performance of TTUS investments.

**ACADEMIC,
CLINICAL AND
STUDENT AFFAIRS**

Academic, Clinical and Student Affairs Committee

Committee Meeting
February 29, 2024

Time: 10:15 am (or upon adjournment of the Finance and Investments Committee meeting)

Place: MSU, Clark Student Center, Comanche Suites (Rm 135), 3410 Taft Blvd, Wichita Falls, Texas

Regents: Kerrick Davis (Chair) and Sweatt (Vice Chair) and Steeley Freeman (Student Regent)
(The Academic, Clinical, and Student Affairs Committee consists of all nine board members and the student regent.)

Agenda

- Approve minutes of committee meeting held on November 16, 2023
- III.B.** Consideration of items to be recommended by the Academic, Clinical and Student Affairs Committee to the Board of Regents of the Texas Tech University System (“TTUS”) for and on behalf of Angelo State University (“ASU”), Midwestern State University (“MSU”), the TTU System Administration (“TTUSA”), Texas Tech University (“TTU”), Texas Tech University Health Sciences Center (“TTUHSC”), and Texas Tech University Health Sciences Center at El Paso (“TTUHSC El Paso”)

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NOTE: All members of the Texas Tech University System Board of Regents serve as members on the Academic, Clinical and Student Affairs Committee. Action taken by this committee is final and does not require a report to the Full Board.

1. ASU: Approve changes in academic rank.

Presenter: Dr. Donald R. Topliff

Presentation Time: 2 minutes

Board approval required by: Section 04.02, *Regents' Rules*; ASU Operating Policy 06.23

RECOMMENDATION

The president recommends and the chancellor concurs that the Board of Regents approve the changes in academic rank for the faculty as listed below, effective September 1, 2024.

Jonathan D. Alvis, Ph.D., associate professor to professor,
Department of Visual and Performing Arts, College of Arts and
Humanities

Drew A. Curtis, Ph.D., associate professor to professor,
Department of Psychology, Archer College of Health and Human
Services

Allison L. Dushane, Ph.D., associate professor to professor, Natalie
Zan Ryan Department of English and Modern Languages, College
of Arts and Humanities

Laurel Fohn, Ph.D., associate professor to professor, Department
of Biology, College of Science and Engineering

Ralph A. Zender, Ph.D., associate professor to professor,
Department of Chemistry and Biochemistry, College of Science and
Engineering

BACKGROUND INFORMATION

Those members of the faculty whose names appear above have been judged by the appropriate department and college committees and administrative personnel as worthy of the promotions for which they have been recommended. The procedure used in recommending members of the faculty for promotion has been carefully followed.

2. ASU: Approve changes in academic rank and granting of tenure.

Presenter: Dr. Donald R. Topliff

Presentation Time: 2 minutes

Board approval required by: Section 04.02, *Regents' Rules*; ASU Operating Policy 06.23

RECOMMENDATION

The president recommends and the chancellor concurs that the Board of Regents approve the changes in academic rank and the granting of tenure, effective September 1, 2024, for the faculty as listed below.

Kenna R. Archer, Ph.D., assistant professor to associate professor and tenure, Dr. Arnolde DeLeon Department of History, College of Arts and Humanities

Bryan P. Cutsinger, Ph.D., assistant professor to associate professor and tenure, Department of Accounting, Economics, and Finance, Norris-Vincent College of Business

Laurie J. Dickmeyer, Ph.D., assistant professor to associate professor and tenure, Dr. Arnolde DeLeon Department of History, College of Arts and Humanities

Mohammad S. Haque, Ph.D., assistant professor to associate professor and tenure, David L. Hirschfield Department of Engineering, College of Science and Engineering

Leslie J. Kelley, Ph.D., assistant professor to associate professor and tenure, Department of Psychology, Archer College of Health and Human Services

Greg P. Krukoni, Ph.D., assistant professor to associate professor and tenure, Department of Chemistry and Biochemistry, College of Science and Engineering

Simon D. Pfeil, Ph.D., assistant professor to associate professor and tenure, Department of Mathematics, College of Science and Engineering

Juehui "Richard" Shi, Ph.D., assistant professor to associate professor and tenure, Department of Management and Marketing, Norris Vincent College of Business

Jun Wu, Ph.D., assistant professor to associate professor and tenure, Department of Security Studies and Criminal Justice, College of Arts and Humanities

BACKGROUND INFORMATION

Members of the faculty of Angelo State University are granted tenure under the provisions of the Tenure Policy, which has been approved by the Board of Regents. The appropriate reviewing committees and administrative personnel have judged those members of the faculty whose names appear above worthy of academic tenure. The procedure established in the Tenure Policy for the awarding of tenure to qualified members of the faculty has been carefully followed. Approval of these individuals brings the number of full-time tenured faculty at Angelo State University to 165. There is a total of 226 faculty, either tenured or tenure-track. After these appointments, the percentage of tenure-track faculty who have been awarded tenure will be 73 percent. The number of full-time non-tenure-track faculty is 94.

3. MSU: Approve changes in academic rank.

Presenter: Dr. Marcy Brown Marsden

Presentation Time: 2 minutes

Board approval required by: Section 04.02, *Regents' Rules*; MSU Operating Policy 06.05.

RECOMMENDATION

The president recommends and the chancellor concurs that the Board of Regents approve changes in academic rank, effective September 1, 2024, for the faculty as listed below.

Promotion to Full Professor, Tenured Faculty:

Kym Acuña, Ed.D., associate professor to professor, Department of Graduate and Adult Education, West College of Education;

Emily Reeves Fyfe, Ph.D., associate professor to professor, Department of Undergraduate Education, West College of Education;

Yu Guo, Ph.D., associate professor to professor, McCoy School of Engineering, McCoy College of Science, Mathematics and Engineering;
and

Whitney Snow, Ph.D., associate professor to professor, Department of History, Prothro-Yeager College of Humanities and Social Sciences.

BACKGROUND INFORMATION

The faculty members whose names appear above have been judged by the appropriate departmental, collegiate, and university committees and administrative personnel as worthy of promotions for which they have been recommended. University policy (OP 06.05) for recommending the promotion of qualified members of the faculty has been carefully followed.

BACKGROUND INFORMATION

The faculty members whose names appear above have been judged by the appropriate departmental, collegiate, and university committees and administrative personnel as worthy of promotion and tenure for which they have been recommended. University policy (OP 06.05) for recommending promotion and tenure of qualified members of the faculty has been carefully followed.

Approval of tenure of these individuals will bring the number of full-time tenured faculty at Midwestern State University ("MSU") in fall 2024 to 142. There is a total of 237 full-time faculty at MSU, which includes 43 tenure-track and 52 non-tenure-track faculty. With the approval of this item, the percentage of full-time faculty who are tenured will be 60 percent, and the percentage of full-time faculty who are tenured or tenure-track will be 78 percent.

5. **MSU: Approve Bachelor of Science degree in Political Science.**

Presenter: Dr. Marcy Brown Marsden Presentation Time: 3 minutes
 Board approval required by: Section 04.09.1, *Regents' Rules*, and Title 19, Part 1,
 Chapter 5, Subchapter C, Texas Administrative Code

RECOMMENDATION

The president recommends and the chancellor concurs that the Board of Regents approve a new degree program, Bachelor of Science (“BS”) in Political Science, offered by the Department of Political Science in the Prothro-Yeager College of Humanities and Social Sciences, and authorize submission by the Office of the Provost and Vice President for Academic Affairs to the Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board (“THECB”) seeking its certification of such a program and to the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools Commission on Colleges for acknowledgment of a new degree program.

BACKGROUND INFORMATION

The field of Political Science includes both quantitative and qualitative methodological research. Political Science MA and PhD programs require advanced quantitative research methodologies that rely on a solid knowledge base of mathematics, particularly statistics. MSU currently offers a Bachelor of Arts (“BA”) in Political Science, which is primarily qualitative and requires four semesters of world language. The proposed Bachelor of Science (“BS”) program will require additional math and science courses and provide a firmer background in quantitative reasoning and research methods.

Currently, 32 universities in Texas offer a degree in Political Science. Of these, only 12 offer a BS degree. Adding a BS degree track alongside the BA will generate several positive outcomes. The first will be to increase enrollment in upper-level Political Science courses because the major will be open to students on both the BA and BS degree tracks. Second, students transferring to MSU from other institutions or majors within MSU are often on BS tracks already and will have less credit loss and additional credits to take for their degrees. Finally, the BS will help students graduate with the marketable skills of data literacy and application of political strategies.

Enrollment projections for the new program are given in Table 1 below. We anticipate that in Year 1, some students will change from the BA to the BS.

Table 1: Projected Enrollment in MSU's Proposed BA and BS in Political Science

	Year 0 (pre- program)	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5
BA.	30	25	28	32	36	40
BS.		5	8	12	15	20
Attrition*	-2	-2	-2	-3	-4	-5
Cumulative Headcount	28	28	34	41	47	55
Graduates	7	7	8	10	12	14

* Attrition applied at the beginning of a year.

Projected costs and funding for the proposed BS degree in Political Science are summarized in Table 2. No additional faculty or staff are required for this degree program. Tenured and tenure-track faculty in the Department of Political Science will teach lower-level and upper-level courses in the degree. No new support faculty (lecturers, instructors) are required for this program. No additional facilities and equipment are required for this degree program. No additional accreditation is required or sought for this degree program.

Table 2: Projected Costs and Revenue for MSU's Proposed BS in Political Science

Five-Year Costs		Five-Year Funding	
Personnel+	\$0	Anticipated New Formula Funding	\$67,524
Facilities and Equipment	\$0	Tuition and Fees	\$1,020,772
Library, Supplies, and Materials	\$0	IEF	\$75,513
Total Costs	\$0	Total Funding	\$1,163,809

6. **MSU: Approve Bachelor of Science degree in Electrical Engineering.**

Presenter: Dr. Marcy Brown Marsden

Presentation Time: 3 minutes

Board approval required by: Section 04.09.1, *Regents' Rules*, and Title 19, Part 1, Chapter 5, Subchapter C, Texas Administrative Code

RECOMMENDATION

The president recommends and the chancellor concurs that the Board of Regents approve a new degree program, Bachelor of Science in Electrical Engineering (“BSEE”), offered by the McCoy School of Engineering in the McCoy College of Science, Mathematics, and Engineering, and authorize submission by the Office of the Provost and Vice President for Academic Affairs to the Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board (“THECB”) seeking its certification of such a program and to the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools Commission on Colleges for acknowledgment of a new degree program.

BACKGROUND INFORMATION

The BSEE will provide graduates with a foundation of knowledge and training for building a successful career in electrical engineering or related fields. Graduates of the program will be well-grounded in scientific, mathematical, and electrical engineering knowledge through curricular activities that reflect technological advances.

The educational objectives of the BSEE are to:

- Provide students with content knowledge for electrical engineering, including their ability to analyze, synthesize, and design electrical engineering systems, communicate information, and understand and appreciate the need for life-long learning;
- Engage students in creativity and problem-solving, such as in research methods in industry and design;
- Develop outstanding oral and written communication to apply when collaborating with internal and external partners in communication in industry and problem-solving in industry; and
- Apply content knowledge toward electrical engineering, including software design and implementation, integrated circuit design, digital signal processing, and digital logic design.

The BSEE at Midwestern State University (“MSU”) will serve the Wichita Falls region by providing students with the mechanical engineering knowledge and skills applicable to the manufacturing and energy industries. Regional strengths in wind power and aerospace allow an electrical engineering program to serve these industries. Many MSU graduates participate in internships with and work

for local and regional companies (Echometer, Inc., Wichita Clutch, Howmet Aerospace, Pratt & Whitney, and WPT Power) and contribute to the local workforce.

MSU's existing mechanical engineering emphasis on power application naturally complements the goals of electrical engineering to understand power generation. Expanding MSU's engineering program will support future senior design projects of interdisciplinary electrical and mechanical engineering teams. The BSEE curriculum will connect with the Bachelor of Science in Mechanical Engineering ("BSME") through three shared pre-engineering courses and 11 upper-level courses. Each program will have ten distinct upper-level courses.

MSU's electrical engineering program will require three faculty members in addition to the existing faculty in the McCoy School of Engineering. MSU's BSME was reaccredited by the Accreditation Board for Engineering and Technology, Inc. ("ABET") in 2020 and is accredited through September 30, 2027. MSU will seek ABET accreditation of the BSEE upon graduation of the first students in the program.

Table 1 shows program development over five years to reach a sustainable number of majors in the fifth year. EE students would have a reduced core and a 129-credit degree plan. Table 2 shows the projected costs and revenue over five years.

Table 1: Projected Enrollment in MSU's Proposed BSEE

	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5
Total New Students	8	16	24	24	24
Attrition*	1	3	5	8	8
Cumulative Headcount	7	20	39	55	71
Graduates	0	2	4	18	18

Table 2: Projected Costs and Revenue for MSU's Proposed BSEE

Five-Year Costs		Five-Year Funding	
Personnel+	\$1,496,300	Anticipated New Formula Funding	\$360,848
Facilities and Equipment	\$640,000	Tuition and Fees	\$2,197,410
Library, Supplies, and Materials	\$100,000	Special item Funding	\$734,000
		IEF	\$164,160
		HEF	\$440,000
Total Costs	\$2,236,300	Total Funding	\$3,896,418

Personnel costs include three faculty members. Facilities and Equipment include the costs of remodeling the McCullough Annex building behind McCoy Engineering Hall to accommodate three offices and a combination classroom/lab. Supplies include the costs of the additional senior design teams.

7. **MSU: Approve Master of Science degree in Industrial Technology.**

Presenter: Dr. Marcy Brown Marsden

Presentation Time: 3 minutes

Board approval required by: Section 04.09.1, *Regents' Rules*, and Title 19, Part 1, Chapter 5, Subchapter C, Texas Administrative Code

RECOMMENDATION

The president recommends and the chancellor concurs that the Board of Regents approve a new degree program, Master of Science ("MS") in Industrial Technology, offered by the McCoy School of Engineering in the McCoy College of Science, Mathematics, and Engineering, and authorize submission by the Office of the Provost and Vice President for Academic Affairs to the Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board ("THECB") seeking its certification of such a program and to the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools Commission on Colleges for acknowledgment of a new degree program.

BACKGROUND INFORMATION

The MS in Industrial Technology degree emphasizes the theory, application, and contemporary research in industrial technology. The MS program will accept applicants from a broad range of undergraduate preparation and provide them with knowledge and skills encompassing the areas of industrial technology methodologies, design, and development. The program will provide graduate-level education for highly motivated professionals supervising personnel across the technical spectrum and various complex technological systems. This degree program will be offered both in online and hybrid format to permit domestic and international student enrollment. Graduates of this program will play leadership roles involving technology innovation, development and deployment of new technologies, and decision-making to improve industry performance.

The educational objectives of the MS in Industrial Technology are to:

- Provide students with content knowledge for engineering and manufacturing principles, including resource planning, industrial-organizational change, global production, competition, and innovation;
- Engage students in creativity and problem-solving, such as in research methods in industry and design for manufacturing;
- Develop outstanding oral and written communication and problem-solving with internal and external partners in industry;
- Apply content knowledge toward manufacturing industry management, including product development, industrial employee training, and managing change in industry.

The MS in Industrial Technology at Midwestern State University (“MSU”) will serve the Wichita Falls region by providing knowledge and skills applicable to numerous industries, including manufacturing, energy, technical services, construction, transportation, and military. We anticipate this program will connect well with our Sheppard AFB partners. The program builds on the BS in Industrial Technology added as a degree program at MSU in the 2020-21 academic year.

The program requires 30 credits, 12 of which are in a required core. The core courses provide knowledge in communication and research. The remaining 18 credits are elective courses, which may be within an area of specialization to meet the individual's professional and personal objectives. In some cases, students may select courses to enhance their technical competency. In other cases, individuals may select courses to prepare for a change in responsibilities or job function. Courses will be offered in a two-year rotation.

Table 1: Projected Enrollment in MSU's Proposed MS in Industrial Technology

	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5
New Students	10	12	17	18	18
Attrition	0	-2	-2	-3	-3
Cumulative Headcount	10	20	27	32	32
Graduates	0	8	10	15	15

Some instruction will be provided by faculty in the McCoy School of Engineering as part of their teaching load. Some courses will be taught by qualified adjuncts from the industrial technology field. No facilities, equipment, library resources, supplies, or materials are required for this program.

Table 2: Projected Costs and Revenue for MSU's Proposed MS in Industrial Technology

Five-Year Costs		Five-Year Funding	
Personnel	\$50,000	Anticipated New Formula Funding	\$532,359
Facilities and Equipment	\$0	Tuition and Fees	\$790,230
Library, Supplies, and Materials	\$0	IEF	\$54,720
Total Costs	\$50,000	Total Funding	\$1,377,309

8. TTU: Approve changes in academic rank.

Presenter: Dr. Ronald Hendrick

Presentation Time: 2 minutes

Board approval required by: Section 04.02, *Regents' Rules*; TTU Operating Policy 32.01.

RECOMMENDATION

The president recommends and the chancellor concurs that the Board of Regents approve changes in academic rank for the faculty as listed below, effective September 1, 2024.

Karen Alexander, Ph.D., associate professor to professor, Department of Family & Consumer Sciences Education, College of Human Sciences.

Aaron Arreola, ScD, assistant professor of practice to associate professor of practice, Department of Kinesiology & Sport Management, College of Arts and Sciences.

Ian Barba, M.S., associate librarian to librarian, University Libraries.

Andrea Bilkey, MFA, associate professor to professor, School of Theatre and Dance, J.T. and Margaret Talkington College of Visual and Performing Arts.

Andrew Buchok, M.S., lecturer to senior lecturer, Department of Renewable Energy, College of Arts and Sciences.

Andrea Button-Schnick, Ph.D., assistant professor of practice to associate professor of practice, Department of Sociology, Anthropology and Social Work, College of Arts and Sciences.

Carla Cash, Ph.D., associate professor to professor, School of Music, J.T. and Margaret Talkington College of Visual and Performing Arts.

Annie Chalex Boyle, Ph.D., associate professor to professor, School of Music, J.T. and Margaret Talkington College of Visual and Performing Arts.

Julie Chang, Ph.D., associate professor to professor, Department of Hospitality & Retail Management, College of Human Sciences.

Debbie Davis, Ed.D., assistant professor of practice to associate professor of practice, Department of Public Relations, College of Media and Communication.

Audra Day, Ph.D., Assistant professor of practice to associate professor of practice, Department of Kinesiology and Sport Management, College of Arts and Sciences.

Leif Ellingson, Ph.D. associate professor to professor, Department of Mathematics and Statistics, College of Arts and Sciences.

Raymond Flores, Ph.D. associate professor to professor, Department of Teacher Education, College of Education.

Carol Flueckiger, Ph.D., associate professor to professor, School of Art, J.T. and Margaret Talkington College of Visual and Performing Arts.

Haibo Ge, Ph.D. associate professor to professor, Department of Chemistry and Biochemistry, College of Arts and Sciences.

Anne Gorden, Ph.D. associate professor to professor, Department of Chemistry and Biochemistry, College of Arts and Sciences.

Lindsay Grannan, M.B.A., lecturer to senior lecturer, Department of Advertising and Brand Strategy, College of Media and Communication.

Kerry Griffis-Kyle, Ph.D. associate professor to professor, Department of Natural Resources Management, Davis College of Agricultural Sciences and Natural Resources.

Jeffrey Harper, Ph.D., assistant professor of practice to associate professor of practice, School of Marketing, Jerry S. Rawls College of Business.

Janet Huston, Ph.D., assistant professor of practice to associate professor of practice, School of Accounting, Jerry S. Rawls College of Business.

Stephen W. Jones, Ph.D., associate professor to professor, School of Music, J.T. and Margaret Talkington College of Visual and Performing Arts.

Esther Jaywon Lee, Ph.D., lecturer to senior lecturer, Department of Sociology, Anthropology and Social Work, College of Arts and Sciences.

Sunho Lim, Ph.D. assistant professor to associate professor, Department of Computer Science, Edward E. Whitacre College of Engineering.

David Lucas, Ph.D., assistant professor of practice to associate professor of practice, School of Information Systems and Quantitative Sciences, Jerry S. Rawls College of Business.

Sean Lux, Ph.D., assistant professor of practice to associate professor of practice, School of Management, Jerry S. Rawls College of Business.

TJ Martinez, MFA, assistant professor of practice to associate professor of practice, Department of Journalism and Creative Media Industries, College of Media and Communication.

Brett Mistrot, MSA, lecturer to senior lecturer, School of Accounting, Jerry S. Rawls College of Business.

Dajiang Nie, LL.B., assistant professor to associate professor, School of Law.

Mary Norman, Ph.D., assistant professor of practice to associate professor of practice, Department of Public Relations, College of Media and Communication.

Nicole Piland, Ph.D. associate professor of practice to professor of practice, Department of Community, Family and Addiction Sciences, College of Human Sciences.

Eric Rasmussen, Ph.D. associate professor to professor, Department of Public Relations, College of Media and Communications.

Beibei Ren, Ph.D. associate professor to professor, Department of Mechanical Engineering, Edward E. Whitacre College of Engineering.

Bradley Rogers, ABD DM, lecturer to senior lecturer, School of Management, Jerry S. Rawls College of Business.

Ben Rogerson, Ph.D., assistant professor of practice to associate professor of practice, Department of English, College of Arts and Sciences.

Bonnie Rudd, MSSW, assistant professor of practice to associate professor of practice, Department of Sociology, Anthropology and Social Work, College of Arts and Sciences.

Arquimedes Ruiz-Columbie, Ph.D., lecturer to senior lecturer, Department of Renewable Energy, College of Arts and Sciences.

Andrew Stetson, Ph.D., associate professor to professor, School of Music, J.T. and Margaret Talkington College of Visual and Performing Arts.

Chris Taylor, Ph.D. associate professor to professor, Tommy J. Huckabee College of Architecture.

Beth Thacker, Ph.D. associate professor to professor, Department of Physics and Astronomy, College of Arts and Sciences.

Dana Weiser, Ph.D., associate professor to professor, Department of Human Development & Family Sciences, College of Human Sciences.

Changdong Yeo, Ph.D. associate professor to professor, Department of Mechanical Engineering, Edward E. Whitacre College of Engineering.

Yuanlin Zhang, Ph.D. associate professor to professor, Department of Computer Science, Edward E. Whitacre College of Engineering.

Dawn Zuerker, M.A., lecturer to senior lecturer, Department of Advertising and Brand Strategy, College of Media and Communication.

BACKGROUND INFORMATION

The faculty members whose names appear above have been judged by the respective department faculty, appropriate committees, and administrative personnel as worthy of the promotions for which they have been recommended. University procedures (OP 32.01) for recommending the promotion of qualified members of the faculty have been carefully followed.

9. TTU: Approve changes in academic rank and granting of tenure.

Presenter: Dr. Ronald Hendrick

Presentation Time: 2 minutes

Board approval required by: Section 04.02, *Regents' Rules*; TTU Operating Policy 32.01.

RECOMMENDATION

The president recommends and the chancellor concurs that the Board of Regents approve changes in academic rank, effective September 1, 2024, along with the granting of tenure, effective March 1, 2024, for the faculty as listed below.

Karin Ardon-Dryer, Ph.D., assistant professor to associate professor with tenure, Department of Geosciences, College of Arts and Sciences.

Corey Brelsfoard, Ph.D., assistant professor to associate professor with tenure, Department of Biological Sciences, College of Arts and Sciences.

Cameron Brown, Ph.D., assistant professor to associate professor with tenure, Department of Community, Family & Addiction Sciences, College of Human Sciences.

John Carrell, Ph.D., assistant professor to associate professor with tenure, Honors College.

Ioana Coman, Ph.D., assistant professor to associate professor with tenure, Department of Public Relations, College of Media and Communication.

Megan Condis, Ph.D., assistant professor to associate professor with tenure, Department of Communication Studies, College of Media and Communication.

Jordan Crago, Ph.D., assistant professor to associate professor with tenure, Department of Environmental Toxicology, College of Arts and Sciences.

Joshua Cruz, Ph.D., assistant professor to associate professor with tenure, Curriculum & Instruction, College of Education.

Tuan Dang, Ph.D., assistant professor to associate professor with tenure, Department of Computer Science, Edward E. Whitacre College of Engineering.

Amy Flowerree, Ph.D., assistant professor to associate professor with tenure, Department of Philosophy, College of Arts and Sciences.

T J Geiger II, Ph.D., assistant professor to associate professor with tenure, Department of English, College of Arts and Sciences.

Jennifer Guelfo, Ph.D., assistant professor to associate professor with tenure, Department of Civil, Environmental, and Construction Engineering, Edward E. Whitacre College of Engineering.

Zijian Harrison Gong, Ph.D., assistant professor to associate professor with tenure, Department of Advertising & Brand Strategy, College of Media and Communication.

Matthew Hunter, Ph.D., assistant professor to associate professor with tenure, Department of English, College of Arts and Sciences.

Alice Anne Light, Ph.D., assistant professor to associate professor with tenure, School of Music, J.T. & Margaret Talkington College of Visual & Performing Arts.

Madhi Malmali, Ph.D., assistant professor to associate professor with tenure, Department of Chemical Engineering, Edward E. Whitacre College of Engineering.

Joseph Manthey, Ph.D., assistant professor to associate professor with tenure, Department of Biological Sciences, College of Arts and Sciences.

Kristen Michelson, Ph.D., assistant professor to associate professor with tenure, Department of Classical & Modern Languages, College of Arts and Sciences.

Kayleigh Millerick, Ph.D., assistant professor to associate professor with tenure, Department of Civil, Environmental, and Construction Engineering, Edward E. Whitacre College of Engineering.

Sean Mitchell, Ph.D., assistant professor to associate professor with tenure, Department of Psychological Sciences, College of Arts and Sciences.

Dmitri Pavlov, Ph.D., assistant professor to associate professor with tenure, Department of Mathematics & Statistics, College of Arts and Sciences.

Latchezar Popov, Ph.D., assistant professor to associate professor with tenure, Department of Economics, College of Arts and Sciences.

Paola Prada-Tiedemann, Ph.D., assistant professor to associate professor with tenure, Department of Environmental Toxicology, College of Arts and Sciences.

Brendan Regan, Ph.D., assistant professor to associate professor with tenure, Department of Classical & Modern Languages, College of Arts and Sciences.

Ashley Rougeaux-Burnes, Ph.D., assistant professor to associate professor with tenure, Department of Design, College of Human Sciences.

Sara Schumacher, M.A., M.S., assistant librarian to associate librarian with tenure, University Libraries.

Jacob Stephens, Ph.D., assistant professor to associate professor with tenure, Department of Electrical & Computer Engineering, Edward E. Whitacre College of Engineering.

Ori Swed, Ph.D., assistant professor to associate professor with tenure, Department of Sociology, Anthropology & Social Work, College of Arts and Sciences.

Antover Tuliao, Ph.D., assistant professor to associate professor with tenure, Department of Community, Family & Addiction Sciences, College of Human Sciences.

Natasja van Gestel, Ph.D., assistant professor to associate professor with tenure, Department of Biological Sciences, College of Arts and Sciences.

Sarah Victor, Ph.D., assistant professor to associate professor with tenure, Department of Psychological Sciences, College of Arts and Sciences.

Robert Weaver, MLIS, assistant archivist to associate archivist with tenure, University Libraries.

Shuo Yu, Ph.D., assistant professor to associate professor with tenure, School of Information Systems and Quantitative Sciences, Jerry S. Rawls College of Business.

BACKGROUND INFORMATION

The faculty members whose names appear above have been judged by the respective department faculty, appropriate committees, and administrative personnel as worthy of promotion and tenure for which they have been recommended. University procedures (OP 32.01) for recommending the promotion and tenure of qualified members of the faculty have been carefully followed.

Approval of these individuals along with the other Texas Tech University ("TTU") tenure approvals being requested on this day will bring the number of full-time tenured faculty at TTU to 801. There are 1,132 full-time tenured and tenure-track faculty. After these appointments, the percentage of tenure-track faculty who have been awarded tenure will be 70.4%, and tenured faculty represent 42.4% of all faculty (including part-time). Together, tenured, and tenure-track faculty represent 60.2% of all faculty, and 70.1% of all full-time faculty.

10. TTU: Approve granting of tenure.

Presenter: Dr. Ronald Hendrick

Presentation Time: 2 minutes

Board approval required by: Section 04.02, *Regents' Rules*; TTU Operating Policy 32.01

RECOMMENDATION

The president recommends and the chancellor concurs that the Board of Regents approve the granting of tenure for the faculty as listed below, effective March 1, 2024.

Victor Sheng, Ph.D., associate professor with tenure, Department of Computer Science, Edward E. Whitacre College of Engineering

Kevin Patrick Whalen, D.M.A., associate professor with tenure, School of Music, J.T. and Margaret Talkington College of Visual and Performing Arts

BACKGROUND INFORMATION

The faculty members whose names appear above have been judged by the respective department faculty, appropriate committees and administrative personnel as worthy of tenure. University procedures (OP 32.01) for recommending tenure of qualified members of the faculty have been carefully followed.

Approval of these individuals along with the other Texas Tech University ("TTU") tenure approvals being requested on this day will bring the number of full-time tenured faculty at TTU to 801. There are 1,132 full-time tenured and tenure-track faculty. After these appointments, the percentage of tenure-track faculty who have been awarded tenure will be 70.4%, and tenured faculty represent 42.4% of all faculty (including part-time). Together, tenured, and tenure-track faculty represent 60.2% of all faculty, and 70.1% of all full-time faculty.

11. **TTU: Approve appointments with tenure.**

Presenter: Dr. Ronald Hendrick

Presentation Time: 2 minutes

Board approval required by: Section 04.02, *Regents' Rules*; TTU Operating Policy 32.01

RECOMMENDATION

The president recommends and the chancellor concurs that the Board of Regents approve the granting of tenure for the following faculty, concurrently with their respective appointments.

Hieu Nguyen, Ph.D., joined the Department of Electrical and Computer Engineering in the Edward E. Whitacre Jr. College of Engineering as an associate professor on September 1, 2023. Dr. Nguyen came to Texas Tech University from the New Jersey Institute of Technology, where he received tenure in 2020. Dr. Nguyen received his Bachelor of Science in Physics from Vietnam National University in 2005. He earned a Masters of Electronics Engineering from Ajou University in 2009 and his Ph.D. in Electrical Engineering from McGill University in 2012.

Shane Walker, Ph.D., joined the Department of Civil, Environmental, and Construction Engineering in the Edward E. Whitacre Jr. College of Engineering as a professor on September 1, 2023. Dr. Walker came to Texas Tech University from the University of Texas El Paso where he received tenure in 2016. He received his bachelor's degree in 2004 at Texas Tech and his master's and Ph.D. from the University of Texas in Austin in 2006 and 2010.

Rod Williams, Ph.D., joined Texas Tech University and the Davis College of Agricultural Sciences and Natural Resources as Vice Provost for Outreach and Engagement and as a professor of wildlife on January 2, 2024. Dr. Williams came to Texas Tech University from Purdue University, where he served as assistant provost for engagement and received tenure in 2013. He received his bachelor's (1996), master's (1998), and Ph.D. (2007) from Purdue University.

BACKGROUND INFORMATION

The faculty members whose names appear above have been judged by the respective department faculty, appropriate committees and administrative personnel as worthy of tenure. University procedures (OP 32.01) for recommending the tenure of qualified members of the faculty have been carefully followed.

Approval of these individuals along with the other Texas Tech University (“TTU”) tenure approvals being requested on this day will bring the number of full-time tenured faculty at TTU to 801. There are 1,132 full-time tenured and tenure-track faculty. After these appointments, the percentage of tenure-track faculty who have been awarded tenure will be 70.4%, and tenured faculty represent 42.4% of all faculty (including part-time). Together, tenured, and tenure-track faculty represent 60.2% of all faculty, and 70.1% of all full-time faculty.

12. TTU: Approve the designation of the Paul Whitfield Horn Distinguished Professorship.

Presenter: Dr. Ronald Hendrick

Presentation Time: 2 minutes

Board approval required by: Section 04.01.1, *Regents' Rules*.

RECOMMENDATION

The president recommends and the chancellor concurs that the Board of Regents approve the designation of the Paul Whitfield Horn Distinguished Professor to the faculty members as listed below, effective March 1, 2024.

Fred Davis, Ph.D., Professor and Bobby Stevenson Chair for Information Technology in the Rawls College of Business. Dr. Davis joined the faculty of Texas Tech University as the Bobby Stevenson Chair for Information Technology in 2015. Dr. Davis received his doctorate from the Massachusetts Institute of Technology (MIT) in 1986. After receiving his Ph.D., he held a faculty position at the University of Michigan, the University of Minnesota, the University of Maryland, and the University of Arkansas before joining the faculty at Texas Tech University. Dr. Davis has developed a substantial and impressive research record, and his overriding programmatic line of research examines information systems with a focus on multiple overlapping domains. Professor Davis's program of research has yielded 50 refereed journals, 11 books, 4 book chapters, 26 refereed proceeding papers at national and international scholarly conferences, and over 75 invited workshops, seminars, symposiums, and panel presentations. Clear and compelling evidence that Dr. Davis has produced highly impactful research and established an international reputation is provided by his citation counts. According to Google Scholar, Professor Davis's current citation count exceeds 240,000. Of these, over 100,000 citations were made since the year 2018.

Costica Bradatan, Ph.D., Professor of Humanities in the Honors College. Dr. Bradatan joined the faculty at Texas Tech University in 2006 as an assistant professor. He received tenure and was promoted to associate professor in 2014 and has been at the rank of full professor since 2017. He completed a BA and MA in Philosophy from the University of Bucharest in Romania in 1997 and 1998. He received his Ph.D. in 2004 from Durham University in England. After completing his Ph.D., he served as the Havighurst Post-Doctoral Fellow at Miami University. Dr. Costica Bradatan has distinguished himself with his exceptional body of work as a researcher, writer, and as a teacher. Dr. Bradatan is truly a public intellectual with an incontestable international reputation. He

possesses a rare gift for exploring deep philosophical and humanist questions about the nature and value of human life. Dr. Bradatan has published five major books which have been translated into 27 languages. He has served as an editor for the Los Angeles Review of Books and helped that publication develop into a major resource for how we think and feel. The quality of his work and the broad impact of his ideas are clearly evidenced in the remarkable number of fellowships and lecture invitations both nationally and internationally that he has received from top-ranked educational institutions.

BACKGROUND INFORMATION

Section 04.01.1, *Regents' Rules*, requires Regents' approval of Horn Distinguished Professorships. In 1966, the Board of Regents established the Horn Distinguished Professorship to recognize scholarly achievement and outstanding service to Texas Tech University. Subsequently, the Board has approved appointment of 93 members of the faculty to Horn Distinguished Professorships. Currently, 22 are actively on the faculty. [NOTE: The listing of Current Horn Professors is included as a supplemental attachment to the agenda book.]

Nominations of prospective Horn Distinguished Professors are made in confidence by the college deans, department chairs, and Horn Distinguished Professors. Supporting documentation must accompany the nomination. Letters that evaluate the nominee's professional qualifications and suitability for this award are solicited, again in confidence, from national and international sources by the provost and, only in rare instances, from sources at Texas Tech University. A committee comprised of the provost, a holder of an endowed chair or professorship, the president of the Faculty Senate, and five Horn Distinguished Professors appointed by the provost, review the nominations. The committee's recommendations, if any, are presented to the president for approval. Nominations having the president's approval are submitted to the Board of Regents for final action.

14. TTU: Approve Bachelor of Applied Arts and Sciences degree with a major in Event Management.

Presenter: Dr. Ronald Hendrick

Presentation Time: 3 minutes

Board approval required by: Section 04.09.1, *Regents' Rules*; TTU Operating Policy 36.04 and Title 19, Part 1, Chapter 5, Subchapter C, Texas Administrative Code

RECOMMENDATION

The president recommends and the chancellor concurs that the Board of Regents approve the new degree program, Bachelor of Applied Arts and Sciences ("B.A.A.S.") degree with a major in Event Management, and authorize submission by the Office of the Provost and Senior Vice President for Academic Affairs, to the Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board seeking its certification of such a program and to the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools for acknowledgment of a new degree program.

BACKGROUND INFORMATION

The Bachelor of Applied Arts and Sciences degree in Event Management will be offered in a hybrid format with mostly online course delivery and some in-person classes supported by the campus in Lubbock. The program will be housed in the Department of Restaurant, Hotel, and Institution Management in the College of Human Sciences. The B.A.A.S degree affords students who have an associate degree in the many areas of hospitality to obtain a baccalaureate degree in Event Management without the significant loss of credits that can occur when transferring to a four-year institution. Students entering this program are required to have completed an Associate of Applied Arts and Sciences degree in an area of hospitality.

This B.A.A.S. degree equips students with the skills to create, plan, market, support, hire, implement, and review events. Students analyze and evaluate the triple bottom line (economic, social, environmental) impact of event planning activities and processes. Event planning is comprised of segments based on the organizer, event type, revenue source, region, and age group. Organizers may include corporate, entertainment, education, sports, and more. Events may include exhibitions, conferences, seminars, and others described earlier. Number of events and revenue generated vary by event type.

The COVID-19 pandemic impacted the event-management industry. However, analysts from Allied Market Research, which is supported by data from the US Bureau of Labor Statistics and the Texas Workforce Commission, find that event planners can expect significant industry growth in the near future. Allied's research indicates the events industry had a market value in 2019 of \$1.14 trillion and is projected to grow to \$1.55 trillion by 2028. This represents an 11.2% compound annual growth rate for the period. The Texas Workforce Commission

states that event planners currently employ over 7,563 Texans and are projected to need over 9,471 by 2030. Data from the US Bureau of Labor and Statistics projects much faster than average growth (18%) through 2031 for the profession. And most of these positions require experience and skills that can come from a program such as the bachelor's degree being proposed here.

Given the current climate, many industries are seeking to distinguish themselves through events. Millennials and Generation Z are both driven by experiences, thus pushing retailers, hospitality providers, as well as all employers to create memorable events as a sales tool, loyalty-building, and employee retention strategies. Providing future event planners with the necessary training in legal, marketing, management, and hospitality are skills developed in this program.

A review of existing programs in Texas finds two event management-related programs - the University of Texas San Antonio has a B.S. degree, and the University of North Texas offers a certificate. There are no existing B.A.A.S. programs Event Management in the state of Texas.

The enrollment projections in the table below are based on discussions with students and advisors and Texas Tech University alumni from a wide range of businesses, from hotels to senior living to retailers, seeking to hire new graduates with discipline specific event management skills. Further, student demand for the degree is supported by the growth data previously presented.

	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5
Total New Students	4	7	9	12	16
Attrition*	1	2	2	3	3
Cumulative Headcount	4	10	16	24	31
FTSE (fall)	4	7	16	24	31
Graduates	0	1	2	6	10

* Attrition applied at the beginning of the following year

The projected five-year costs and funding are given in the table below. Because all courses required for the degree program are already taught, no additional funds are required to develop the degree content. The five-year costs estimate shown in the table reflects supplies and materials costs for office expenses and supplies and promotional materials. The five-year funding shown reflects tuition and fees and state formula funding estimates in years three through five.

Five-Year Costs		Five-Year Funding	
Personnel (administration and salaries)	\$0	Reallocated Funds	\$0
Facilities and Equipment	\$0	Anticipated New Formula Funding	\$215,772
Supplies and Materials		Special Item Funding	

	\$2,500		\$0
Other	\$0	Tuition and fees	\$377,400
Total Costs	\$2,500	Total Funding	\$593,172

15. TTU: Approve Bachelor of Science degree with a major in Event Management.

Presenter: Dr. Ronald Hendrick

Presentation Time: 3 minutes

Board approval required by: Section 04.09.1, Regents' Rules; TTU Operating Policy 36.04 and Title 19, Part 1, Chapter 5, Subchapter C, Texas Administrative Code

RECOMMENDATION

The president recommends and the chancellor concurs that the Board of Regents approve the new degree program, Bachelor of Science ("B.S.") degree with a major in Event Management, and authorize submission by the Office of the Provost and Senior Vice President for Academic Affairs, to the Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board seeking its certification of such a program and to the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools for acknowledgment of a new degree program.

BACKGROUND INFORMATION

The Bachelor of Science in Event Management will be offered face-to-face at the Lubbock campus with some hybrid/blended online course delivery options. The program will be housed in the Department of Restaurant, Hotel, and Institution Management in the College of Human Sciences.

This B.S. degree equips students with the skills to create, plan, market, support, hire, implement, and review events. Students analyze and evaluate the triple bottom line (economic, social, environmental) impact of event planning activities and processes. Event planning is comprised of segments based on the organizer, event type, revenue source, region, and age group. Organizers may include corporate, entertainment, education, sports, and more. Events may include exhibitions, conferences, seminars, and others described earlier. Number of events and revenue generated vary by event type.

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	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5
Total New Students	10	15	18	24	32
Attrition*	1	1	4	4	5
Cumulative Headcount	10	24	40	60	82
FTSE (fall)	10	24	40	60	81
Graduates	0	0	0	6	10

* Attrition applied at the beginning of the following year

The projected five-year costs and funding are given in the table below. Because all courses required for the degree program are already taught, no additional funds are required to develop the degree content. The five-year costs estimate shown in the table reflects supplies and materials costs for office expenses and supplies and promotional materials. The five-year funding shown reflects tuition and fees and state formula funding estimates in years three through five.

Five-Year Costs		Five-Year Funding	
Personnel (administration and salaries)	\$0	Reallocated Funds	\$0
Facilities and Equipment	\$0	Anticipated New Formula Funding	\$385,524
Supplies and Materials	\$2,500	Special Item Funding	\$0
Other	\$0	Tuition and fees	\$954,600
Total Costs	\$2,500	Total Funding	\$1,340,124

Several factors external to Texas Tech University (“TTU”) indicate that student demand for a master’s degree in HRM is high. First, per the Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board, only five public universities offer master’s degrees in human resource management, and no R1 in Texas currently offers a 100% online program. Second, per industry participants in the HR Roundtable hosted by the Rawls College of Business in December 2019, as well as the senior director of the Rawls Career Management Center, a master’s in HRM is very attractive to recruiters, and job placement is predicted to be high.

The enrollment projections in the table below are based on TTU MS in Market Research Analysis and MS Data Science enrollment figures, factoring in growth in specialized master’s business programs nationally.

	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5
Total New Students	20	30	40	50	60
Attrition*	2	3	4	5	6
Cumulative Headcount	10	24	40	60	82
FTSE (fall)	10	15	20	25	30
Graduates	0	18	27	36	45

* Attrition applied at the beginning of the following year

The projected five-year costs and funding are given in the table below. Personnel costs include the hiring of two faculty, one in year one and a second in year two, and program administration support. Most of the core courses for the program are to be developed by the faculty, though the content is currently taught in various courses at the graduate level. The five-year funding shown reflects tuition and fees and state formula funding estimates in years three through five.

Five-Year Costs		Five-Year Funding	
Personnel (administration and salaries)	\$1,375,000	Reallocated Funds	\$0
Facilities and Equipment	\$0	Anticipated New Formula Funding	\$293,922
Supplies and Materials	\$0	Special Item Funding	\$0
Other	\$0	Tuition and fees	\$1,917,000
Total Costs	\$1,375,000	Total Funding	\$2,210,922

17. TTUHSC: Approve changes in academic rank.

Presenter: Dr. Darrin D'Agostino

Presentation Time: 2 minutes

Board approval required by: Section 04.02, *Regents' Rules*; HSC Operating Policy 60.01

RECOMMENDATION

The president recommends and the chancellor concurs that the Board of Regents approve changes in academic rank, effective September 1, 2024, for the faculty as listed below.

Tenured Faculty:

Sarah Wakefield, MD, Associate Professor to Professor,
Department of Psychiatry, School of Medicine

Non-Tenure Track Faculty:

School of Medicine

Rachel Anderson, MD, Assistant Professor to Associate Professor,
Department of Pediatrics, School of Medicine

Deepak Bharadia, MD, Assistant Professor to Associate Professor,
Department of Surgery, School of Medicine

Adrian Billings, MD, Associate Professor to Professor, Department
of Family and Community Medicine, School of Medicine

Stacy Clinton, MD, Assistant Professor to Associate Professor,
Department of Pediatrics, School of Medicine

Yusuf Dundar, MD, Assistant Professor to Associate Professor,
Department of Otolaryngology, School of Medicine

Jannatul Ferdous, MD, Assistant Professor to Associate Professor,
Department of Neurology, School of Medicine

Semyon Fishkin, MD, Assistant Professor to Associate Professor,
Department of Anesthesiology, School of Medicine

Anna Francisco, MD, Assistant Professor to Associate Professor,
Department of Family and Community Medicine, School of
Medicine

Sarah Kiani, MD, Assistant Professor to Associate Professor,
Department of Internal Medicine, School of Medicine

Pulak Manna, PhD, Research Assistant Professor to Research Associate Professor, Department of Internal Medicine, School of Medicine

Raphael Mattamal, MD, Assistant Professor to Associate Professor, Department of Pediatrics, School of Medicine

Latisha McLaurin, MD, Assistant Professor to Associate Professor, Department of Pediatrics, School of Medicine

Laszlo Nagy, MD, Associate Professor to Professor, Department of Pediatrics, School of Medicine

Izi Obokhare, MD, Associate Professor to Professor, Department of Surgery, School of Medicine

Ariel Santos, MD, Associate Professor to Professor, Department of Surgery, School of Medicine

Debbie Smith, MD, Assistant Professor to Associate Professor, Department of Family and Community Medicine, School of Medicine

Basem Soliman, MD, Assistant Professor to Associate Professor, Department of Surgery, School of Medicine

Bei Zhang, MD, Assistant Professor to Associate Professor, Department of Neurology, School of Medicine

School of Nursing

Rebecca Baker, MSN, RN, Instructor to Assistant Professor, Department of Traditional Undergraduate Studies, School of Nursing

Kimber Cockerell, DNP, RN, Assistant Professor to Associate Professor, Department of Non-Traditional Undergraduate Studies, School of Nursing

Carrie Edwards, RN, Assistant Professor to Associate Professor, Department of Non-Traditional Undergraduate Studies, School of Nursing

Bibha Gautam, PhD, Associate Professor to Professor, Department of Non-Traditional Studies, School of Nursing

Heather Guest, PhD, Assistant Professor to Associate Professor,
Department of Traditional Undergraduate Studies, School of
Nursing

Tara Hilliard, PhD, Associate Professor to Professor, Department of
APRN, School of Nursing

Stephanie Hoelscher, DNP, MSN, Associate Professor to
Professor, Department of Leadership Studies, School of Nursing

Rebecca Keesee, DNP, RN, Assistant Professor to Associate
Professor, Department of Non-Traditional Undergraduate Studies,
School of Nursing

Valerie Kiper, DNP, MSN, Associate Professor to Professor,
Department of Non-Traditional Undergraduate Studies, School of
Nursing

Julia Kuzin, DNP, APRN, Assistant Professor to Associate
Professor, Department of APRN Programs, School of Nursing

Ronda Mintz-Binder, DNP, Associate Professor to Professor,
Department of Leadership Studies, School of Nursing

Priscila Reid, DNP, APRN, Assistant Professor to Associate
Professor, Department of APRN Programs, School of Nursing

Jihane Saed, MSN, Instructor to Assistant Professor, Department of
Traditional Undergraduate, School of Nursing

Grace Sun, DNP, APRN, Associate Professor to Professor,
Department of APRN, School of Nursing

Molly Toon, DNP, APRN, Assistant Professor to Associate
Professor, Department of APRN, School of Nursing

School of Health Professions

Lisa Gore, MS, Instructor to Assistant Professor of Practice,
Department of Speech, Language, Hearing Sciences, School of
Health Professions

Tenure Track Faculty:

School of Nursing

Wanda Hilliard, PhD, Associate Professor to Professor, Department of APRN, School of Nursing

School of Health Professions

Ericka Hendrix, PhD, Associate Professor to Professor, Department of Laboratory Sciences and Primary Care, School of Health Professions

Morgan House, PhD, Assistant Professor to Associate Professor, Department of Healthcare Management and Leadership, School of Health Professions

Sharon Hunt, PhD, Assistant Professor to Associate Professor, Department of Healthcare Management and Leadership, School of Health Professions

Justin Redman, PhD, Associate Professor to Professor, Department of Laboratory Sciences and Primary Care, School of Health Professions

Christina Rohbohm-Leavitt, DMSc, Associate Professor to Professor, Department of Laboratory Sciences and Primary Care, School of Health Professions

Ryan Schmidt, PhD, Associate Professor to Professor, Department of Healthcare Management and Leadership, School of Health Professions

Cynthia Tiongco, OTR, PhD, Assistant Professor to Associate Professor, Department of Rehabilitation Sciences, School of Health Professions

BACKGROUND INFORMATION

Those members of the faculty whose names appear on the above list have been judged by the respective departmental and faculty, appropriate committees, and administrative personnel as worthy of the promotions for which they have been recommended. The procedure used in recommending members of the faculty for promotion has been followed carefully.

18. TTUHSC: Approve changes in academic rank and granting of tenure.

Presenter: Dr. Darrin D'Agostino

Presentation Time: 1 minute

Board approval required by: Section 04.02, *Regents' Rules*; HSC Operating Policy 60.01

RECOMMENDATION

The president recommends and the chancellor concurs that the Board of Regents approve:

- (1) Changes in academic rank, effective September 1, 2024, and the granting of tenure, effective February 29, 2024, to the faculty as listed below.

John Culberson, MD, Associate Professor to Professor and tenure, Department of Family and Community Medicine, School of Medicine

Brandon Johnson, PhD, Associate Professor to Professor and tenure, Department of Traditional Undergraduate, School of Nursing

and

- (2) Changes in academic rank, effective September 1, 2024, and the granting of tenure, effective September 1, 2024, to the faculty as listed below.

Sharilyn Almodovar, PhD, Assistant Professor to Associate Professor and tenure, Department of Immunology and Molecular Microbiology, School of Medicine

Yasin Ibrahim, MD, Assistant Professor to Associate Professor and tenure, Department of Psychiatry, School of Medicine

Courtney Queen, PhD, Assistant Professor to Associate Professor and tenure, Department of Public Health, Julia Jones Matthews School of Population and Public Health

Catherine Reppa, MD, Assistant Professor to Associate Professor and tenure, Department of Ophthalmology and Visual Sciences, School of Medicine

Zachery Sneed, PhD, Assistant Professor to Associate Professor and tenure, Department of Clinical Counseling and Mental Health, School of Health Professions

Christopher Townsend, PhD, Assistant Professor to Associate Professor and tenure, Department of Clinical Counseling and Mental Health, School of Health Professions

BACKGROUND INFORMATION

Those members of the faculty whose names appear on the above list have been judged by the respective departmental faculty, appropriate committees and administrative personnel as worthy of the promotions and granting of tenure for which they have been recommended. The procedure used in recommending members of the faculty for promotion and tenure has been followed carefully.

Approval of tenure for these individuals, along with the other Texas Tech University Health Sciences Center ("TTUHSC") tenure approvals being requested on this day, brings the number of tenured faculty in all academic schools of the TTUHSC to 160. There are a total of 216 faculty either in the tenure-track or tenured. After these appointments, the percentage of tenure track faculty who have been awarded tenure will be approximately 74.07 percent. The number of faculty that is non-tenure track is 548.

19. TTUHSC: Approve granting of tenure.

Presenter: Dr. Darrin D'Agostino

Presentation Time: 2 minutes

Board approval required by: Section 04.02, *Regents' Rules*; HSC Operating Policy 60.01

RECOMMENDATION

The president recommends and the chancellor concurs that the Board of Regents approve the granting of tenure, effective February 29, 2024, to the faculty as listed below.

Steven Brooks, MD, Associate Professor with tenure, Department of Surgery, School of Medicine

Michael Phy, DO, Professor with tenure, Department of Internal Medicine, School of Medicine

Igor Ponomarev, PhD, Associate Professor with tenure, Department of Pharmacology and Neuroscience, School of Medicine

Fiona Prabhu, MD, Professor with tenure, Department of Family and Community Medicine, School of Medicine

Bettina Schmitz, MD, Professor with tenure, Department of Anesthesiology, School of Medicine

BACKGROUND INFORMATION

Those members of the faculty whose names appear on the above list have been judged by the respective departmental faculty, appropriate committees and administrative personnel as worthy of the granting of tenure for which they have been recommended. The procedure used in recommending members of the faculty for tenure has been followed carefully.

Approval of tenure for these individuals, along with the other Texas Tech University Health Sciences Center ("TTUHSC") tenure approvals being requested on this day, brings the number of tenured faculty in all academic schools of the TTUHSC to 160. There are a total of 216 faculty either in the tenure-track or tenured. After these appointments, the percentage of tenure track faculty who have been awarded tenure will be approximately 74.07 percent. The number of faculty that is non-tenure track is 548.

20. TTUHSC: Approve appointment with tenure.

Presenter: Dr. Darrin D'Agostino

Presentation Time: 2 minutes

Board approval required by: Section 04.02, Regents' Rules; HSC Operating Policy 60.01

RECOMMENDATION

The president recommends and the chancellor concurs that the Board of Regents approve the granting of tenure for the following faculty member of Texas Tech University Health Sciences Center ("TTUHSC") concurrently with her respective appointment.

Dr. Holly Wei joined the TTUHSC on January 22, 2024, as a professor and the TTUHSC School of Nursing ("SON") Dean. Wei received her Bachelor of Science in Nursing at North Carolina Central University, Durham, and her Doctor of Philosophy in Nursing from the University of North Carolina School of Nursing at Chapel Hill.

Wei's past professional experiences include, but is not limited to, serving as professor and assistant dean for the Ph.D. program at the University of Louisville School of Nursing, Kentucky; as both an assistant and associate professor at East Carolina University College of Nursing, Greenville, North Carolina; and as a registered nurse and nurse researcher at University of North Carolina Health - Chapel Hill.

Wei is a Fellow of the American Academy of Nursing and serves on the advisory and editorial boards of the Advances in Nursing Science, International Journal for Human Caring, and International Journal of Nursing Sciences. She also serves on numerous national and international committees.

Wei's research focuses on organizational caring culture, leadership development, health promotion across the lifespan, and epigenetic biomarkers. With more than 70 professional publications, Wei's multiple nursing practice models include the Convergent Care Theory, a guide to nursing research and practice. Her textbook, "Visionary Leadership in Healthcare," was awarded the 2022 American Journal of Nursing Book of the Year and received first place in Nursing Management and Leadership.

Dr. Wei received tenure at East Tennessee State University College of Nursing, Tennessee, and after evaluation by the Professional Development Committee in the TTUHSC SON, meets the requirements for tenure in the SON at TTUHSC.

BACKGROUND INFORMATION

The faculty member whose name appears above has been judged by the respective departmental faculty, appropriate committees, and administrative personnel as worthy of appointment with tenure. Approval of tenure for this

individual, along with the other TTUHSC tenure approvals being requested on this day, brings the number of tenured faculty in all academic schools of the Health Sciences Center to 160. There are a total of 216 faculty either in the tenure-track or tenured. After this appointment, the percentage of tenure track faculty who has been awarded tenure will be approximately 74.07 percent. The number of faculty on the non-tenure track is 548.

21. TTUHSC: Approve emeritus appointment.

Presenter: Dr. Darrin D'Agostino

Presentation Time: 2 minutes

Board approval required by: Section 04.01.2, *Regents' Rules*, and HSC OP 10.12

RECOMMENDATION

The president recommends and the chancellor concurs that the Board of Regents approve to confer the title of dean emeritus on Michael L. Evans, Ph.D., RN for his distinguished service to the School of Nursing ("SON") and the Texas Tech University Health Sciences Center ("TTUHSC").

BACKGROUND INFORMATION

In accordance with the TTUHSC OP 10.12 and the Section 04.01.2, *Regents' Rules*, the TTUHSC School of Nursing Professional Development Council recommended the dean emeritus appointment for Dr. Michael L. Evans. Dr. Michael L. Evans started at TTUHSC in 2012. He served as the Dean of the School of Nursing and is a Grover E. Murray Professor. Dr. Evans has been honored as a distinguished alumnus by the University of Texas Health Science Center at Houston School of Nursing and the University of Texas at Austin School of Nursing. In 2014, he received the Luther Christman Award, bestowed by the American Nurses Association. He was awarded the Leaders and Legends Award in 2020 by the Texas Nurses Association. In 2022, the Panhandle Great 25 Association presented him with the Legacy Award.

Dr. Evans has served as President of the Texas Nurses Association and later on the American Nurses Association ("ANA") board of directors, including the offices of Secretary and Treasurer. While on the ANA board, he also served on the inaugural board of the American Nurses Credentialing Center ("ANCC") in the association's early years. Dr. Evans' leadership contributed to ANCC launching the Magnet Hospital designation program in 1992. There are more than 500 Magnet hospitals worldwide, improving workplace environments, patient care, and patient outcomes. In 2018, he was awarded the ANCC Margretta Madden Styles President's Award, recognizing his outstanding service as ANCC president, board member, and ANCC World board director.

Dr. Evans retired from administrative duties as Dean of the School of Nursing on November 5, 2023.

22. TTUHSC El Paso: Approve changes in academic rank.

Presenter: Richard A. Lange, MD, MBA

Presentation Time: 2 minutes

Board approval required by: Section 04.02, *Regents' Rules*; HSCEP Operating Policy 60.01

RECOMMENDATION

The president recommends and the chancellor concurs that the Board of Regents approve changes in academic rank effective September 1, 2024, to the faculty as listed below.

Tenured Faculty:

Alok Dwivedi, Ph.D., associate professor to professor, Department of Molecular and Translational Medicine,

Non-Tenure Track Faculty:

Jude Abadie, Ph.D., associate professor to professor, Department of Pathology, Paul L. Foster School of Medicine

Russell Baker, D.O., assistant professor to associate professor, Department of Emergency Medicine, Paul L. Foster School of Medicine

Lisa Aimee Hechanova, M.D., assistant professor to associate professor, Department of Internal Medicine, Paul L. Foster School of Medicine

Gloria Loera, D.N.P., APRN, assistant professor to associate professor, Gayle Greve Hunt School of Nursing

Tracy Lopez, Ph.D., R.N., assistant professor to associate professor, Gayle Greve Hunt School of Nursing

Jennifer Molokwu, M.D., M.P.H., associate professor to professor, Department of Family and Community Medicine, Paul L. Foster School of Medicine

Rajiv Rajani, M.D., associate professor to professor, Department of Orthopaedic Surgery and Rehabilitation, Paul L. Foster School of Medicine

Maria Theresa Villanos, M.D., associate professor to professor, Department of Pediatrics, Paul L. Foster School of Medicine

Clarissa Silva Waletzko, Ph.D., RN, assistant professor to
associate professor, Gayle Greve Hunt School of Nursing

BACKGROUND INFORMATION

Those members of the faculty whose names appear on the above list have been judged by the appropriate departmental and collegiate committees and administrative personnel as worthy of the promotions for which they have been recommended. The procedure used in recommending members of the faculty for promotion has been followed carefully.

24. TTUS: Strategic report on research collaborations and growth.

Presenters: Drs. Darrin D'Agostino, Ron Hendrick Presentation Time: 15 minutes
David Bixler, Deborah Clegg, Lance McMahon, and Mrs. Brittany Norman
Report requested by: Board of Regents

Drs. Darrin D'Agostino, Provost & Chief Academic Officer, TTUHSC; Ron Hendrick, Provost, TTU; David Bixler, Dean of College of Graduate Studies and Research/Professor/Director Innovation Hub, ASU; Deborah Clegg, Professor NTT, Research, TTUHSC El Paso; Lance McMahon, Senior Vice President, Research & Innovation, CRO, TTUHSC; and Mrs. Brittany Norman, Associate Director, Sponsored Programs and Research, MSU will present a strategic report on research collaborations and growth.

AUDIT

Audit Committee

Committee Meeting
February 29, 2024

Time: 11:15 am (or upon adjournment of the Academic, Clinical and Student Affairs Committee meeting)

Place: MSU, Clark Student Center, Comanche Suites (Rm 135), 3410 Taft Blvd, Wichita Falls, Texas

Regents: Acosta (Chair) and Gordon (Vice Chair)
(The Audit Committee consists of all nine board members.)

Agenda

- Approve minutes of committee meeting held on November 16, 2023
- III.C.** Consideration of items to be recommended by the Audit Committee to the Board of Regents of the Texas Tech University System (“TTUS”) for and on behalf of Angelo State University (“ASU”), Midwestern State University (“MSU”), the TTU System Administration (“TTUSA”), Texas Tech University (“TTU”), Texas Tech University Health Sciences Center (“TTUHSC”), and Texas Tech University Health Sciences Center at El Paso (“TTUHSC El Paso”)

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NOTE: All members of the Texas Tech University System Board of Regents serve as members on the Audit Committee. Action taken by this committee is final and does not require a report to the Full Board.

1. TTUS: Report on Research Security Programs.

Presenter: Amy Cook, J.D. & Kim Turner
Report requested by: Chancellor Tedd Mitchell

Presentation Time: 15 minutes

Amy Cook, TTUS Research Security Officer, and Kim Turner, TTUS Chief Audit Executive, will present a report on research security in the institutions of the Texas Tech University System.

BACKGROUND INFORMATION

The 88th Legislature of the State of Texas passed Senate Bill 1565, codified as Texas Education Code 51.956 and effective as of September 1, 2023. The Act requires higher education governing boards to designate a research security officer and establish a policy framework that promotes secure academic research while mitigating the risk of foreign espionage and interference.

2. TTUS: Report on audits.

Presenter: Mrs. Kim Turner

Presentation Time: 5 minutes

Report to Board required by: Section 07.02.7, *Regents' Rules*; and Audit Committee Charter

Mrs. Kim Turner, Chief Audit Executive, will present a report on the System's audit projects.

FACILITIES

Facilities Committee

Committee Meeting
February 29, 2024

Time: 11:35 am (or upon adjournment of the Audit Committee meeting)

Place: MSU, Clark Student Center, Comanche Suites (Rm 135), 3410 Taft Blvd,
Wichita Falls, Texas

Regents: Womble (Chair) and Acosta (Vice Chair)
(The Facilities Committee consists of
all nine board members.)

Agenda

- Approve minutes of committee meeting held on November 16, 2023
- III.D.** Consideration of items to be recommended by the Facilities Committee to the Board of Regents of the Texas Tech University System (“TTUS”) for and on behalf of Angelo State University (“ASU”), Midwestern State University (“MSU”), the TTU System Administration (“TTUSA”), Texas Tech University (“TTU”), Texas Tech University Health Sciences Center (“TTUHSC”), and Texas Tech University Health Sciences Center at El Paso (“TTUHSC El Paso”)

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NOTE: All members of the Texas Tech University System Board of Regents serve as members on the Facilities Committee. Action taken by this committee is final and does not require a report to the Full Board.

1. ASU: Approve total project budget for the Concho Hall Demolition project and accept the Construction Manager At Risk GMP.

Presenter: Mr. Billy Breedlove

Presentation Time: 5 minutes

Board approval required by: Section 08.01., *Regents' Rules*

RECOMMENDATION

The president recommends and the chancellor concurs that the Board of Regents authorize the chancellor or the chancellor's designee to (i) accept the Guaranteed Maximum Price ("GMP") for the Concho Hall Demolition project; (ii) increase the budget by \$3,717,472 for a total project budget of \$6,360,000; (iii) report the project to the Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board ("THECB"); and (iv) amend the Construction Manager At Risk ("CMAR") Agreement. The total project budget which includes the previously approved \$2,642,528 will be funded with Housing Revenues and institutional funds.

The president further recommends that the chancellor authorize the president to negotiate and execute all agreements with city, state, and county agencies, utility companies and other entities required to successfully complete the project.

BACKGROUND INFORMATION

This approval grants authority to execute the Concho Hall Demolition project with a total project budget of \$6,360,000. The total project budget will be funded with Housing Revenues and institutional funds.

The project will demolish the existing 10-story Concho Hall Residence building that was constructed in 1969 and contains 103,883 GSF. The contract documents will also include an Add Alternate to demolish an existing commercial building located across the street from the university at 1819 S. Harrison Street. The 2-story CMU structure contains 5,560 GSF and was built in 1976. ASU purchased the improved real estate in 2016 as a strategic initiative to provide for campus growth and mission.

In November 2023, the Board of Regents granted authority to execute a CMAR Agreement, authorized pre-construction services, and execute Bid Package 1 – Early Asbestos Abatement for the Concho Hall Demolition project.

In August 2023, the Board of Regents granted authorization to proceed with the Concho Hall Demolition project, with an anticipated project budget of \$5,000,000. Execute a Design Professional ("DP") Agreement and authorizes Stage II design services to move forward on updating the existing demolition documents, provide a Statement of Probable Cost, and project schedule. The Board also waived the

use of a Construction Manager Agent (“CMA”); waived the board directed fee for landscape enhancements; and waived the board directed fee for public art.

In May 2013, the Board of Regents authorized the Office of Facilities Planning and Construction to cancel the project to Abate and Demolish Concho Hall.

In 2012 Angelo State University’s (ASU) administration made the decision to bring Concho Hall, the 432-bed facility back online as a functional residence hall starting with the 2013 fall semester or sooner. The facility would provide ASU students with a low-cost housing alternative. Additionally, it would accommodate the growing number of international students on campus as well as provide flexibility and growth for camps and conferences. Therefore, in October 2012, the Board of Regents approved the use of the Revenue Finance System (RFS) to renovate Concho Hall with a project budget of \$1,500,000. The project was to be funded through the RFS repaid through debt service over five years with Residential Programs Revenue.

In May 2010, the Board of Regents approved a construction project to abate and demolish Concho Hall with a project budget of \$2,500,000. The project was to be funded through the RFS repaid with Future Residence Life Revenue. The project was later removed for further evaluation.

The vice president for finance and administration has verified the source of funds. The vice chancellor and chief financial officer of the TTU System also acknowledges the source of the funds for this project.

2. TTU: Approve naming of scoreboard within Dan Law Field at Rip Griffin Park.

Presenter: Mr. Patrick Kramer

Presentation Time: 5 minutes

Board approval required by: Section 13.02.2.a., *Regents' Rules*

RECOMMENDATION

The president recommends and the chancellor concurs that the Board of Regents approve naming the new baseball scoreboard within Dan Law Field at Rip Griffin Park the "Barry Street Family." The donor concurs with the naming of the structure. Signage for the structure will specify the approved name.

BACKGROUND INFORMATION

Barry and SuDe Street ("Donors") pledged \$1 million to the Texas Tech Foundation, Inc., for the benefit of Texas Tech University's Department of Athletics and its Baseball Support Fund. The gift directly impacted Athletics' ability to purchase the new scoreboard as part of its renovation of existing baseball facilities.

In honor and recognition of Donors' generous gift, the Department of Athletics desires to name the scoreboard the "Barry Street Family." Signage for the structure will specify the approved name.

This gift meets the minimum fifty percent (50%) threshold requirement for naming a subunit within a facility, as verified by Texas Tech University's Operations Division and provided to the vice chancellor of facilities planning and construction.

Section 13.02.2.a., *Regents' Rules*, requires approval of the board to name a facility within the TTU system resulting from a private gift.

3. TTU: Approve concept and authorize expenditures of the Junction Campus Wildlife Disease and Deer Research Facility (“WDDRF”) and Llano River Conservation Center (“LRCC”) projects for Design Professional Stage I design services.

Presenter: Mr. Billy Breedlove

Presentation Time: 10 minutes

Board approval required by: Section 08.01., *Regents’ Rules*

RECOMMENDATION

The president recommends and the chancellor concurs that the Board of Regents approve the concept for the project and authorize the chancellor or the chancellor’s designee to (i) approve expenditures of \$361,411 in order to provide planning and design services for the Junction Campus Wildlife Disease and Deer Research Facility (“WDDRF”) and the Llano River Conservation Center (“LRCC”) projects with an anticipated project budget of \$6,400,000; (ii) award the Design Professional Agreement; and (iii) authorize Stage I design services. The expenditures will be funded through the Revenue Finance System (“RFS”), repaid with Capital Construction Assistance Projects (“CCAP”) Legislative appropriations.

The Board reasonably expects to incur debt obligations for the design, planning, and construction of the project, and all or a portion of the debt proceeds are reasonably expected to be used to reimburse the System for project expenditures previously expended. The maximum principal amount of debt obligations to be issued for the Project is \$6,400,000.

The president further recommends that the chancellor authorize the president to negotiate and execute all agreements with city, state, and county agencies, utility companies and other entities required to successfully complete the project.

BACKGROUND INFORMATION

This approval grants authorization to proceed with the Junction Campus WDDRF and the LRCC projects with an anticipated project budget of \$6,400,000. Awards a Design Professional Agreement and authorizes Stage I design services to move forward on the project’s vision through the programming and schematic design phases, provide a Statement of Probable Cost, and project schedule.

Texas Tech University System and Texas Tech University strive for excellence in research, education and community engagement in natural resource management, watershed protection, ecological restoration, environmental conservation, range and wildlife management, invasive species, and zoonotic diseases.

Acquired in 1971, the Texas Tech Center at Junction is home to the Llano River Field Station (LRFS) and Outdoor Learning Center (OLC). Currently, the Texas Tech Center at Junction encompasses 411 acres and 31 buildings.

The proposed facilities and renovations are outlined below:

- A. Wildlife Disease and Deer Research Facility (“WDDRF”) - The WDDRF facility will serve as the regional centerpiece for wildlife and wildlife disease research. An expansion of the available laboratory facilities devoted to wildlife research will expand research programs on deer physiology, growth, nutrition, ecology, disease surveillance, with continued use and development of disease biomarkers, and disease therapy development with TTU faculty in the Department of Natural Resource Management, and the Davis College of Agricultural Sciences and Natural Resources, the School of Veterinary Medicine, the Museum of Texas Tech University, the Department of Biological Sciences, The Institute of Environmental & Human Health, and TTU Health Sciences Center. This facility will support and expand groundbreaking and impactful research and surveillance in a region with the greatest deer density in the United States.

Proposed new standalone research/lab facility is estimated to be between 1,000 - 1,500 GSF to serve 1-2 researchers which would include:

1. BSL2 compliant research lab.
 2. Chemical fume hood and storage cabinet.
 3. Autoclave.
 4. Lab ice machine; lab glass washer, two ultra-low freezers with storage racks, laboratory freezer, and double door lab refrigerator.
 5. General storage space, custodial space; and restroom.
- B. Llano River Conservation Center (“LRCC”) – The mission of the LRCC is to encourage education and community engagement in natural resource management, watershed protection, ecological restoration, environmental conservation, range and wildlife management, invasive species, and zoonotic diseases in the Central Texas Hill Country. The current campus facilities no longer meet the anticipated needs for research, engagement, and educational programs.

The proposed new multipurpose conference facility’s anticipated gross square footage will be in the range of 7,000 - 7,500 GSF and be able to accommodate a minimum 200-person capacity for meetings or events. The facility will include:

- a. Reception/gathering entry area.
- b. Large multipurpose room.
- c. Catering/food service and storage areas.
- d. Classrooms.
- e. Specimen storage.

- f. Academic and staff offices.
 - g. General storage space, custodial space, restrooms; and
 - h. Exterior teaching space.
- C. In addition to the two new facilities, the project will provide;
- a. Flexibility to dim/darken exterior lighting within the parking and facility areas for special astrologic viewing events.
 - b. Utilities required for the new facilities.
 - c. New permeable parking with ADA access.

Functions of the new facility may be wide in scope and nature. The facility may be used for various conferences, educational events, Intersession classes, or various other gatherings. For example, in 2024 several astrological events are scheduled to occur, and infrastructure elements will be required.

In May 2022, the Board of Regents acknowledged that on April 19, 2022, the chair granted an exigent circumstances approval that authorized use of the RFS for the individual total project budgets of the CCAP for TTU System institutions.

The senior vice president for administration and finance and chief financial officer has verified the source of funds. The vice chancellor and chief financial officer of the TTU System also acknowledges the source of the funds for this project.

4. TTUHSC: Approve total project budget for the Laboratory Animal Resources Center (“LARC”) Expansion project and accept the Construction Manager At Risk GMP.

Presenter: Mr. Billy Breedlove

Presentation Time: 5 minutes

Board approval required by: Section 08.01., *Regents’ Rules*

RECOMMENDATION

The president recommends and the chancellor concurs that the Board of Regents authorize the chancellor or the chancellor’s designee to (i) accept the Guaranteed Maximum Price (“GMP”) for construction of the Laboratory Animal Resources Center (“LARC”) Expansion project; (ii) increase the budget by \$11,261,904 for a total project budget of \$15,000,000; (iii) report the project to the Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board (“THECB”); and (iv) award a Construction Manager At Risk (“CMAR”) Agreement. The total project budget which includes the previously approved \$3,738,096 will be funded through the Revenue Finance System (“RFS”), repaid with Capital Construction Assistance Projects (“CCAP”) Legislative appropriations.

The Board reasonably expects to incur debt obligations for the design, planning, and construction of the project, and all or a portion of the debt proceeds are reasonably expected to be used to reimburse the System for project expenditures previously expended. The maximum principal amount of debt obligations to be issued for the Project is \$15,000,000.

The president further recommends that the chancellor authorize the president to negotiate and execute all agreements with city, state, and county agencies, utility companies and other entities required to successfully complete the project.

BACKGROUND INFORMATION

This approval grants authority to construct the LARC Expansion project for a total project budget of \$15,000,000. The total project budget will be funded through the RFS, repaid with CCAP Legislative appropriations.

The LARC operates and maintains the TTUHSC animal facilities in Lubbock, under the direct supervision of the Institutional Veterinarian. Through these operations the LARC provides for the procurement, housing, health, and welfare of research animals housed in TTUHSC facilities. The LARC, in partnership with the Institutional Animal Care & Use Committee (“IACUC”), monitors the use of research animals to ensure compliance with applicable Federal, State, and Local laws and guidelines as well as Institutional Policy. Finally, the LARC provides technical assistance, advice and education to faculty, research staff and students in order to facilitate research and academic goals while maintaining regulatory compliance.

The project will expand the existing Lubbock LARC vivarium by approximately 13,962 GSF in order to meet the current and future needs of the TTUHSC research community. The expansion has been designed to aid in elevating research at TTUHSC by creating a facility that meets contemporary industry standards for research animal housing. The project will incorporate innovative technologies and advanced built-in equipment necessary for the future needs of principal investigators. The expansion will create a dedicated bio-exclusion (Barrier) facility adjacent to the existing vivarium with the flexibility to house multiple species.

In August 2023, the Board of Regents authorized expenditures for the purchase of owner furnished equipment for contractor installation for the LARC Expansion project and incur additional expenditures of \$2,334,610. Total current expenditures of \$3,738,096 will be funded through the RFS, repaid with CCAP Legislative appropriations.

In May 2023, the Board of Regents granted authority to amend the Design Professional ("DP") Agreement for Stage II design services consisting of Design Development ("DD"), Construction Documents ("CD"), Construction Administration ("CA") Phases, and to provide a Statement of Probable Cost. Award a CMAR Agreement and authorize pre-construction activities associated with the planning and design process, i.e., project evaluation; site analysis; constructability review; value engineering; scheduling; cost control; and development of a GMP.

In November 2022, the Board of Regents authorized the institution to proceed with the LARC Expansion project through the CCAP with an anticipated total budget of \$15,000,000. Executed a DP Agreement and authorized Stage I design services to move forward on the project's vision through the programming and schematic design phases, provide a Statement of Probable Cost, and project schedule. The Board also waived the use of a Construction Manager-Agent ("CMA"); waived the board directed fee for landscape enhancements; and waived the board directed fee for public art.

In May 2022, the Board of Regents acknowledged that on April 19, 2022, the chair granted an exigent circumstances approval that authorized use of the RFS for the individual total project budgets of the CCAP for TTU System institutions.

The executive vice president of finance and operations, chief financial officer/chief operations officer has verified the source of funds. The vice chancellor and chief financial officer of the TTU System also acknowledges the source of the funds for this project.

5. TTUS: Report on Facilities Planning and Construction projects.

Presenter: Mr. Billy Breedlove
Report requested by: Board of Regents

Presentation Time: 5 minutes

Mr. Billy Breedlove, Vice Chancellor for Facilities Planning and Construction, TTUS, will present a report on Facilities Planning and Construction managed projects.

**MEETING OF THE
BOARD/
COMMITTEE OF
THE WHOLE**

Meeting of the Board

Thursday, February 29, 2024

Time: 9:30 am

Place: MSU, Clark Student Center, Comanche Suites (Rm 135), 3410 Taft Blvd, Wichita Falls, Texas

Agenda

- I. **Meeting of the Board—Call to Order; convene into Open Session of the Board.** The Board will convene in Open Session and meet as a Committee of the Whole and Meeting of the Board:..... Chairman Griffin
 - A. Report and Update on Midwestern State University President Haynie
- II. **Recess** Chairman Griffin

- III. **Meeting of Standing Committees:** Conducted sequentially and separately from the Meeting of the Board beginning at approximately 9:45 am—refer to agenda for each respective committee meeting.
Location: MSU, Clark Student Center, Comanche Suites (Rm 135), 3410 Taft Blvd, Wichita Falls, Texas

Time: 11:55 am

Place: MSU, Clark Student Center, Comanche Suites (Rm 135), 3410 Taft Blvd, Wichita Falls, Texas

Agenda

- IV. **Meeting of the Board—Call to Order; reconvene into Open Session of the Board.** The Board will convene in Open Session and meet as a Committee of the Whole and Meeting of the Board:..... Chairman Griffin
- V. **Executive Session:** The Board will convene into Executive Session in the Clark Student Center, Cheyenne Room (Rm 171), 3410 Taft Blvd, to consider matters permissible under Chapter 551 of the *Texas Government Code*, including, for example:..... Chairman Griffin

- A. Consultation with attorney regarding privileged communications, pending or contemplated litigation and settlement negotiations – Section 551.071
 - B. Deliberations regarding real property: The purchase, lease, exchange, or value of real property – Section 551.072
 - C. Deliberations regarding prospective gifts – Section 551.073
 - D. Personnel matters: Discuss the appointment, employment, evaluation, reassignment, duties, discipline or dismissal of employees – Section 551.074
 - E. Deliberations regarding security devices—deployment of security personnel or devices – Section 551.076
- VI. Open Session:** The Board will reconvene in the Clark Student Center, Comanche Suites (Rm 135), 3410 Taft Blvd, and meet as a Committee of the Whole and Meeting of the Board to consider and act on:
- A. Consideration of appropriate action, if any, on items discussed in Executive Session..... Vice Chairwoman Kerrick Davis
- VII. Recess** Chairman Griffin

Meeting of the Board
Friday, March 1, 2024

Time: 8:30 am

Place: MSU, Clark Student Center, Comanche Suites (Rm 135), 3410 Taft Blvd,
Wichita Falls, Texas

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- VIII. Meeting of the Board—Call to Order; reconvene into Open Session of the Board.** The Board will reconvene in Open Session and meet as a Committee of the Whole and Meeting of the Board to consider and act on: Chairman Griffin
 - A. Chancellor’s Distinguished Teaching and Research Awards Chancellor Mitchell
 - B. Introductions and Recognitions Chancellor Mitchell, President Hawkins, President Haynie, President Schovanec, President Rice-Spearman, and President Lange

- IX. Recess** (if necessary, for standing committees to meet; otherwise continue in Open Session (XII.)) Chairman Griffin

- X. Meeting of Standing Committees** (if not concluded on Thursday)

- XI. Meeting of the Board—Call to Order; reconvene into Open Session of the Board** (only if the Meeting of the Board was recessed to conduct committee meetings) Chairman Griffin

- XII. Open Session:** The Board will continue in Open Session and meet as a Committee of the Whole and Meeting of the Board to consider and act on:
 - A. Approve minutes of Board meetings held on November 16-17, 2023 Chairman Griffin
 - B. Committee of the Whole..... Vice Chairwoman Kerrick Davis

1. ASU, MSU, TTU, TTUHSC, TTUHSC EI Paso, TTUSA, and TTUS: Approve Consent Agenda and acknowledge review of Information Agenda 9

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- b. MSU: Approve Bachelor of Business Administration degree in Business Analytics and Information Systems (ACS)
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- m. TTU, TTUHSC and TTUHSC EI Paso: Approve commissioning of police officers (FI)
- n. TTU and TTUS: Approve purchasing contract(s) in excess of \$1,000,000 (FI)
- o. TTUHSC EI Paso: Approve establishment of quasi-endowment matching a private gift and benefitting the Hunt School of Nursing (FI)
- p. TTUHSC EI Paso: Approve establishment of quasi-endowment matching a private gift and benefitting the Hunt School of Dental Medicine (FI)

Information Agenda

Information is provided as required by Section 01.02.7.d(4)(c), *Regents' Rules*

- (1) ASU, MSU, TTU, TTUHSC and TTUHSC El Paso: Summary of Revenues and Expenditures by Budget Category, FY 2024 (as of November 30, 2023), per Section 01.02.8.d(3)(g), *Regents' Rules* – All actual expenditures will be reviewed by the Finance and Investments Committee annually and provided as information. Financial reports for the most recently completed quarter for each of the component institutions are available at:
<https://www.texas-tech.edu/offices/cfo/board-financial-reports.php>

- (2) TTUHSC: Contracts for ongoing and continuing health-related service relationships per Section 07.12.4.c, *Regents' Rules* – The following are excepted from the requirements of Section 07.12.3.a and Section 07.12.3.b, *Regents' Rules*, "the board delegates to the presidents of health-related institutions the authority to approve the proposals and execute and sign contracts for health related services, as specified herein. This delegation is limited to contracts with entities for which the institution has an ongoing and continuing contractual relationship, to include: revenue contracts from which the institution receives payment for health related services; participation in health provider networks; resident or faculty support; and expense contracts with healthcare providers or suppliers necessary to fulfill the obligation to provide health related services as part of a revenue contract or new health related services contracts that involve a stated or implied consideration that total in excess of \$1,000,000 over the entire term of the contract but the per annum amount is less than \$1,000,000. Before such a contract may be executed, the president shall obtain the prior review of the TTU system Office of General Counsel and the TTU system vice chancellor and chief financial officer, or their designees. A list of health-related services contracts that have been executed under this delegation of authority since the previous regular board meeting shall be provided to the board as an information item at the next regular board meeting."

- (3) TTU, TTUHSC, and TTUHSC El Paso: Contracts that involve a stated or implied consideration that total in excess of \$1,000,000 over the entire term of the contract but the per annum amount is less than \$1,000,000 per section 07.12.4 of the *Regents' Rules* – The following are excepted from the requirements of Section 07.12.3.a and 07.12.3 b, *Regents' Rules*, “the chancellor or president, or the chancellor or presidents designee, as appropriate, is delegated the authority to approve: (i) contracts that involve a stated or implied consideration that total in excess of \$1,000,000 over the entire term of the contract but the per annum amount is less than \$1,000,000; and (ii) any amendment, extension, or renewal of a contract originally approved by the chancellor or president, as appropriate, so long as the amendment, extension, or renewal does not cause the per annum amount of the contract to exceed \$1,000,000. This requirement is applicable to both cash and non-cash considerations. Information about such contracts or contract amendments, extensions, or renewals that are approved by the chancellor or a president under this delegation of authority shall be provided to the board as an information item at the next regular board meeting.”
- (4) ASU, TTUHSC and TTUHSC El Paso: Consulting contracts with an initial consideration of \$100,000 or less per Section 07.12.4.e.(2), *Regents' Rules* – “(a) Board approval is not required, but the vice chancellor and chief financial officer, in consultation with the chancellor, presidents, and chief financial officers of the institutions, shall review consulting contracts of \$100,000 or less prior to execution of the contract by the chancellor or president, as appropriate. (b) A report of the contract shall be provided as an Information Agenda item at the next board meeting.”
- (5) TTU and TTUHSC: Contracts for Sponsored Programs Projects per Section 07.12.4.b., *Regents' Rules* – “The board delegates to the presidents the authority to approve the proposals and execute and sign contracts for sponsored program projects in excess of \$1,000,000 per annum. Sponsored program projects are those grants, contracts, and cooperative agreements from either the public or private sectors that support research, instructional, and service projects. A list of such contracts for sponsored program projects in excess of \$1,000,000 per annum shall be provided to the board

- C. Deliberations regarding prospective gifts – Section 551.073
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- A. Consideration of appropriate action, if any, on items discussed in Executive Session Vice Chairwoman Kerrick Davis
- B. Chairman’s Announcements Chairman Griffin

XV. Adjournment Chairman Griffin

**CONSENT/
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BOARD OF REGENTS
TEXAS TECH UNIVERSITY SYSTEM

CONSENT AGENDA
and
INFORMATION AGENDA

February 29 – March 1, 2024

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[NOTE: All nine board members serve as voting members of each committee.]

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NOTE: The following are reports or other documents which, according to the *Regents' Rules* or state law, must be made available to the Board of Regents. As such, the reports below are on file in the Board Office, and their listing on the Information Agenda constitutes notice that they are available to Board members upon request.

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- (6) **TTUS: Named Funds per Section 13.02.3.a, Regents’ Rules** – “The board delegates approvals to name endowments or other gift funds established through a private gift of less than \$5 million to the president of the benefitting institution, in consultation and cooperation with the chancellor and the vice chancellor of Institutional Advancement. Notice shall be provided to the board of regents as part of the information agenda at the next board meeting.”
- (7) **TTU: Emergency or exigent circumstances for Budget Adjustment, Section 07.04.4.a(2), Regents’ Rules** – “Emergency and exigent circumstances approvals. When an emergency or exigent circumstances exist, the chair or the chair of the Finance and Investments Committee may approve a proposal submitted by the chancellor, or the chancellor’s designee, for budget adjustments which establish a new budget in excess of \$2,000,000 or increase an existing budget to an amount in excess of \$2,000,000 due to new activities and/or revenue sources, with subsequent notification to the board at the next regular board meeting.”

b. MSU: Approve Bachelor of Business Administration degree in Business Analytics and Information Systems.

Board approval required by: Section 04.09.1, *Regents' Rules*, and Title 19, Part 1, Chapter 5, Subchapter C, Texas Administrative Code

The request is to approve the Bachelor of Business Administration (“BBA”) in Business Analytics and Information Systems, offered by the Dillard College of Business Administration, and authorize submission by the Office of the Provost and Vice President for Academic Affairs to the Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board (“THECB”) seeking its certification of such a program, and to the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools Commission on Colleges for acknowledgment of a new degree program. This request has been approved administratively by the president and the chancellor and is recommended for approval by the Board of Regents.

BACKGROUND INFORMATION

Midwestern State University (“MSU”) has offered a BBA in Management Information Systems (“MIS”) for almost a decade. This proposal will change the program title to Business Analytics and Information Systems (“BAIS”), and change the Classification of Instructional Programs (“CIP”) code from Management Information Systems, General (52.1201) to Business Analytics (30.7102).

Revised Program CIP Code

Business Analytics (30.7102) A program that prepares individuals to apply data science to solve business challenges. Includes instruction in machine learning, optimization methods, computer algorithms, probability and stochastic models, information economics, logistics, strategy, consumer behavior, marketing, and visual analytics.

Previous Program CIP Code

Management Information Systems, General. (52.1201) A program that generally prepares individuals to provide and manage data systems and related facilities for processing and retrieving internal business information; select systems and train personnel; and respond to external data requests. Includes instruction in cost and accounting information systems, management control systems, personnel information systems, data storage and security, business systems networking, report preparation, computer facilities and equipment operation and maintenance, operator supervision and training, and management information systems policy and planning.

The revised BAIS major will require courses in Business Programming Language (currently Python), Database Design and Management, Introduction to Business Analytics, and Advanced Excel. The revised major also requires students to take courses in Data Visualization, Data Mining and Text Analytics, and Analytics for

Business Decision Making, and requires one course in a traditional Information Systems topic (Business Systems Analysis and Design) and up to two electives such as E-commerce, Project Management, or Web App Development.

c. TTU: Approve faculty development leaves of absence.

Board approval required by Section 4.05.1, Regents' Rules

The request is to approve the leaves of absence as listed below. This request has been approved administratively by the president and the chancellor and is recommended for approval by the Board of Regents.

College of Arts and Sciences

Faculty development leave with full salary for Amanda Brown, Associate Professor of Biology in the Department of Biological Sciences in the College of Arts and Sciences, from January 2025 through May 2025. The purpose of this leave is to conduct research, at two international locations in Brazil and the United Kingdom, on insect-microbe symbioses and plant-parasitic nematode endosymbionts, respectively. The projects will require field research and will expand Dr. Brown's current research portfolio with a goal of establishing nematode cell lines to support nematode symbionts. Because the project is connected to Dr. Brown's current NSF-USDA CAREER funding, it should generate new grant proposals.

Faculty development leave with full salary for Lars Christensen, Professor of Mathematics in the Department of Mathematics and Statistics in the College of Arts and Sciences, from January 2025 through May 2025. The purpose of this leave is to complete collaborations with three research groups in Europe. With scientific collaborators in Copenhagen, Norway, and Spain, Dr. Christensen completed a 1200-page monograph on commutative algebra scheduled to be in print in 2024. This leave will provide him with the opportunity to complete projects expanding on the content of the monograph. The advantage of being in the same time zone as his scientific collaborators will further Dr. Christensen's goal of conducting research leading to three new, peer-reviewed publications.

Faculty development leave with full salary for Barbara Hahn, Professor of History in the Department of History in the College of Arts and Sciences, from January 2025 through May 2025. The purpose of this leave is to conduct research and apply digital network analysis to the records of the Liverpool Cotton Brokers Association. The project will assert a connection between modern corporate enterprise and the family- and correspondent-based commerce that preceded it. Dr. Hahn has identified a goal of using the research collected during this leave as the basis for a monograph tentatively titled Liverpool the World.

Faculty development leave with half salary for Zachary Hohman, Associate Professor of Psychology in the Department of Psychological Sciences in the College of Arts and Sciences, from September 2024 through May 2025. The purpose of this leave is to develop an R01 multi-site clinical trial in which to pilot a novel attitude-ambivalent personalized

norm feedback intervention tool developed by Dr. Hohman. This leave will provide Dr. Hohman with the time to develop, execute, and analyze the results from the pilot project, thus positioning him competitively for new and innovative opportunities for federal funding.

Faculty development leave with full salary for Steve Holmes, Associate Professor of Technical Communication and Rhetoric in the Department of English in the College of Arts and Sciences, from September 2024 through December 2024. The purpose of this leave is to complete 50-70 interviews for research on the ethics of content banning in social media and other online platforms. Dr. Holmes' research will use a reflective and quasi-logical analysis of the attitudes and beliefs of content moderators expressed in qualitative interviews. Qualitative research is significantly time-consuming and an analysis of a target number of 75 qualitative interviews will require development leave. Dr. Holmes' goal is to produce a book that will be of benefit especially to large institutions and organizations such as universities.

Faculty development leave with full salary for Matthew Hunter, Associate Professor of Early Modern Literature in the Department of English in the College of Arts and Sciences, from January 2025 through May 2025. The purpose of this leave is to complete research for second monograph tentatively titled *The Ends of Speech: Shakespeare's Tragedies of Expression*. Leave is necessary because, to be able to acquire direct source material, Dr. Hunter must conduct research on site at rare books libraries at the Folger Shakespeare Library in Washington, D.C., the Harry Ransom Center at the University of Texas at Austin, and the Huntington Library in San Marino, California. These libraries, collectively, house the most important early modern archives in the country. The anticipated product of a second full monograph will advance Dr. Hunter's, and TTU's, reputation in the field nationally and internationally.

Faculty development leave with full salary for Michael Jordan, Associate Professor of Ethnology in the Department of Sociology, Anthropology, and Social Work in the College of Arts and Sciences, from January 2025 through May 2025. The purpose of this leave is to complete, largely on site at the Denver Museum of Nature and Science, a long-term research analysis of Kiowa, Cheyenne, and Arapaho material culture. The research products that Dr. Jordan will produce with this leave are already slated to be included as key components of a book series published by the University Press of Colorado.

Faculty development leave with full salary for David Larmour, Horn Distinguished Professor of Classics in the Department of Classical and Modern Languages and Literatures in the College of Arts and Sciences, from January 2025 through May 2025. The purpose of this leave is to complete a monograph which re-interprets Greek and Roman mythological narratives involving violent conflict through a lens of sporting

contests. This research product builds on an important and longstanding theme first published in Dr. Larmour's 1991 *Stage and Stadium: Drama and Athletics in Ancient Greece*. The forthcoming monograph, titled *The Palaestra of Greek Mythology*, builds on Dr. Larmour's well-established record of publication with highly-regarded publishers.

Faculty development leave with full salary for Jeffrey Lee, Professor of Geography in the Department of Geosciences in the College of Arts and Sciences, from September 2024 through December 2024. The purpose of this leave is to conduct environmental research specific to global wind patterns and their implications to wind erosion and related phenomena. The significance of this research is important given the relative scarcity of wind-related pattern research in the larger area of climate change research. The data Dr. Lee will collect and analyze during the period of leave will position him for funding opportunities for which the data is necessary.

Faculty development leave with half salary for Laura Lowe, Associate Professor of Social Work in the Department of Sociology, Anthropology, and Social Work in the College of Arts and Sciences, from September 2024 through May 2025. The purpose of this leave is to write and publish a peer-reviewed Open Education Resource textbook for students in social work programs in higher education. The costs of common texts in this discipline make access to enrollment a barrier for some students; this barrier propagates the already critically low number of licensed clinical social workers in the state of Texas, particularly in rural areas. Development and publication of quality open educational resources takes substantial time, necessitating the duration of the year-long period of leave.

Faculty development leave with full salary for Anita McChesney, Associate Professor of German in the Department of Classical and Modern Languages and Literatures in the College of Arts and Sciences, from September 2024 through December 2024. The purpose of this leave is to research the socio-critical function of contemporary Austrian crime fiction. Major outcomes will be a peer-reviewed article and a co-edited anthology titled *Hermeneutics of the Suspicious: TV Crime Series in German*. Dr. McChesney also plans, using research conducted during this leave, to write an invited chapter for a book on Austrian crime fiction. These contributions will advance scholarship in the area of crime narratives, an increasingly in-demand disciplinary specialization for prospective university students and faculty.

Faculty development leave with half salary for Kristen Michelson, Assistant Professor of French in the Department of Classical and Modern Languages and Literatures in the College of Arts and Sciences, from September 2024 through May 2025. The purpose of this leave is to conduct data analysis and complete article submissions for a research

study, "Reading between the signs: Exploring novice second language learners' digital multimodal literacies." Dr. Michelson's established record of scholarship on language acquisition positions her to be successful in leading the field in the concept of "textual thinking," which is guided by increasingly digital tools. Two manuscripts will result from the data analysis completed during the period of leave.

Faculty development leave with full salary for Carmen Pereira-Muro, Professor of Spanish in the Department of Classical and Modern Languages and Literatures in the College of Arts and Sciences, from January 2025 through May 2025. Dr. Pereira-Muro has served as department chair of Classical and Modern Languages and Literatures for the past six years. The proposed leave will provide her the opportunity to re-immerses in her line of research and develop a book proposal (*Neither Nature nor Culture: Gender, Gardens, Landscape and Suburbia in 18th and 19th Century Spanish Literature*) and an article ready for submission. These projects require Dr. Pereira-Muro to spend considerable time on site in Spain to work in archives and museums of Galicia and Madrid.

Faculty development leave with full salary for Brendan Regan, Assistant Professor of Hispanic Linguistics in the Department of Classical and Modern Languages and Literatures in the College of Arts and Sciences, from September 2024 through December 2024. The purpose of this leave is to conduct data analysis and write three manuscripts for the project titled *The Production, Perception, and Evaluation of a Dialect-Specific Sound by L2 and Heritage Spanish Speakers Studying Abroad*. Dr. Regan's prior publications provide the framework for this research and the leave will allow Dr. Regan to complete and submit for publication three distinct scholarly articles related to theories on language and identity in second language acquisition. Given the projected increase, globally, of individuals acquiring a second language, Dr. Regan's contributions will be distinctly impactful.

Faculty development leave with full salary for Jeremy Schwartz, Associate Professor of Philosophy in the Department of Philosophy in the College of Arts and Sciences, from January 2025 through May 2025. The purpose of this leave is to provide Dr. Schwartz with the opportunity to complete research onsite in Berlin, Germany, with his long-term scholarly collaborator there. The research builds on a previously-published article co-authored by Dr. Schwartz and his collaborator, and a goal of the leave is to complete a full monograph titled *Piety and Gratitude: What we Owe to the People that Shape Us*.

Faculty development leave with full salary for Joel Sievert, Associate Professor of Political Science in the Department of Political Science in the College of Arts and Sciences, from September 2024 through December 2024. The purpose of this leave is to initiate data collection specific to a project on the appearance of roll call votes in congressional campaign

advertisements. Although there is significant scholarship examining how votes translate to electoral rewards or punishments, there is relatively little research into the conditions under which these votes make it to campaign trail. The data required for this novel research area are available for investigation and analysis through two different organizations: the Wisconsin Advertising Project and the Wesleyan Media Project. Substantial time is needed for Dr. Sievert to examine the advertising storyboards that are archived by the Campaign Media Analysis Group. Review of the storyboards necessitates the leave, and the leave is projected to result in significant scholarly contributions to the field.

Faculty development leave with full salary for Sara Spurgeon, Professor of American Literature in the Department of English in the College of Arts and Sciences, from September 2024 through December 2024. The purpose of this leave is to complete two book manuscripts. The first, an edited collection titled *Hellbent for Leather, is a companion following to Dr. Spurgeon's 2020 publication Weird Westerns (U. of Nebraska Press) which was shortlisted for a highly prestigious literary award. The second manuscript is designed as a hybrid memoir, combining a reflexive analysis of Dr. Spurgeon's history with the place (the American West) that has informed her life. The first chapter of Dr. Spurgeon's hybrid memoir has already been accepted for publication, as a stand-alone essay, in a collection to be published by Texas A&M University Press in 2024. The leave will allow Dr. Spurgeon the time to complete both prestigious projects.*

Faculty development leave with full salary for Mark Stoll, Professor of History in the Department of History in the College of Arts and Sciences, from September 2024 through December 2024. The purpose of this leave is to complete a book manuscript, tentatively titled *For the Common Good*. This comprehensive work will examine the influence of religion on environmentalism and the indirect ways religious beliefs shape secular politics. Dr. Stoll's prior publications include two books, *Inherit the Holy Mountain* (Oxford University Press, 2015) and *Profit: An Environmental History* (Cambridge University Press, 2022). The latter has been remarkably successful and translated into Portuguese, Chinese, Korean, Italian, and Turkish, with additional translations into French and German in negotiation. The proposed leave will allow Dr. Stoll the time needed to continue his exceptional work as an important author in his field.

Faculty development leave with full salary for Frank Thames, Professor of Political Science in the Department of Political Science in the College of Arts and Sciences, from September 2024 through December 2024. The purpose of this leave is to initiate and develop two long-term projects representing an extension of Dr. Thames' record of scholarly research on legislatures, political parties, and politics in Ukraine. The proposed projects specifically consider how party system institutionalization impacts the behavior of individual legislators in Ukraine. The proposed leave is

time-dependent given that the current political and social climates in Ukraine are so substantially informed by the present conflict.

Faculty development leave with full salary for Aaron Yoshinobu, Professor of Geology in the Department of Geosciences in the College of Arts and Sciences, from September 2024 through December 2024. The purpose of this leave is to Time will be taken to complete an in-progress manuscript co-authored with scholars affiliated with the Robinson Jeffers Tor House Foundation in Carmel, California. The manuscript, titled *Building an Outcrop: Geology and Stonemasonry in the Poetics of Robinson Jeffers*, explores the intersections of geology, stone masonry, and poetics of the 20th century American poet Robinson Jeffers. The proposed leave will also allow Dr. Yoshinobu the time to begin a second project developing seed data, geological maps, and logistics for student-centered study of the Enchanted Rock batholith in central Texas.

College of Education

Faculty development leave with full salary for Rebecca Hite, Associate Professor of STEM Education in the Department of Curriculum and Instruction in the College of Education, from January 2025 through May 2025. The purpose of this leave is to provide Dr. Hite with the time to develop, through a process of qualitative research, of a new textbook specifically for graduate programs in STEM Education. This textbook responds to a documented gap in graduate level educational resources that focus on content domains to contextualize and operationalize theory in specific content-based contexts. A key outcome of Dr. Hite's leave will be the submission of a full book proposal at the end of the spring 2025 term.

Faculty development leave with half salary for Bryan Hotchkins, Associate Professor of Higher Education in the Department of Educational Psychology, Leadership, and Counseling in the College of Education, from September 2024 through May 2025. The purpose of this leave is to allow Dr. Hotchkins to design and execute a qualitative study that will examine how faculty of diverse backgrounds experience institutional belongingness as a component of tenure and promotion in contexts of system, state, or federal decisions that impact higher education. While Dr. Hotchkins' findings will have substantial potential for broad and significant practical application at institutions of higher education nationally, he also plans to submit his findings as scholarly products intended for peer-reviewed publication in the top international journals in his field.

Edward E. Whitacre, Jr., College of Engineering

Faculty development leave with full salary for Chau-Chyun Chen, Horn Professor of Engineering in the Department of Chemical Engineering in the College of Engineering, from September 2024 through December 2024. The purpose of this leave is to provide Dr. Chen with the time to develop a new textbook in electrolyte thermodynamics. Electrolyte thermodynamics is a fundamental chemical engineering science in the research and development of novel chemical processes to address various energy and sustainability issues including climate change. However, electrolyte thermodynamics is not taught in chemical engineering undergraduate and postgraduate courses and there is a documented lack of textbooks in thermodynamics that provide adequate coverage of modern-day electrolyte thermodynamic models and process simulation technology readily available to industry practitioners. The publication of this new textbook in electrolyte thermodynamics will have long-lasting impacts on the education and practice of the future chemical engineering workforce.

Faculty development leave with full salary for Gordon Christopher, Professor of Engineering in the Department of Mechanical Engineering in the College of Engineering, from September 2024 through December 2024. During the period of leave, Dr. Christopher will experimentally examine and model the impact of capillary interaction on the dilatational properties of particle laden interfaces. The results of this work will test the proposed hypothesis, with a goal of demonstrating that interfaces do in fact have significant dilatational resistance to deformation, which will have significant impacts both in scientific literature as well as in the design of commercial products. The proposed project will expand Dr. Christopher's international partnerships, significantly enhancing Texas Tech's reputation in the areas of soft matter, rheology, and interface science.

Faculty development leave with half salary for Ming-Chien Chyu, Professor of Engineering in the Department of Mechanical Engineering in the College of Engineering, from September 2024 through May 2025. During the period of leave, Dr. Chyu, an established and internationally recognized leader in healthcare engineering, will collaborate with partners in healthcare industries to create and commercialize new medical devices and technologies, design a model framework for the application of engineering technologies to healthcare industry jobs and community healthcare challenges, and continue to expand healthcare engineering as a curricular pathway in higher education nationally. Dr. Chyu's leadership in this area is established and widely recognized and leave will allow him to effectively and expeditiously achieve these target goals.

Faculty development leave with full salary for Dongping Du, Associate Professor of Engineering in the Department of Industrial, Manufacturing, and Systems Engineering in the College of Engineering, from January

2025 through May 2025. The purpose of the leave is to develop novel Artificial Intelligence (“AI”) and data science technologies to predict cardiac patients’ morbidity and mortality after heart surgeries (e.g., heart transplant), with the goal of improving clinical outcomes and advancing human health. The research will be conducted at the Penn State Health (“PSH”) Milton S. Hershey Medical Center, the host of a globally recognized heart transplant and implantation center. Dr. Du will be on site at the Penn State College of Medicine during the faculty development leave to initiate the research, develop plans and protocols for clinical data collection, build a clinical database, and gather feedback and input from the clinical team for technology design and development. The data gathered will support the development and submission of a proposal for an NIH R01 grant, focused on the identification of biomarkers and the prediction of adverse events (e.g., primary graft failure), can be developed to extend graft survival and enhance transplant outcomes.

Faculty development leave with full salary for Zhaoming He, Associate Professor of Engineering in the Department of Mechanical Engineering in the College of Engineering, from September 2024 through December 2024. The purpose of the leave is to develop a multiscale modeling of the circulation system and heart sound analysis. Heart valve modeling is limited in the input of boundary condition which depends on systemic circulation and is usually limited and hard to measure clinically. Three-dimensional modeling of whole cardiovascular system is way to understand the circulation without need of local boundary condition, but it is restricted by computer capacity. The realistic way is to use simplified 1D modeling for global circulation and provides boundary conditions for 3D modeling of local organ. This is called the multiscale modeling of circulation system which is economical in computation. This modeling is just in tissue level without involving cellular activities. Further, the cellular level modeling as a long-term goal will be incorporated in the tissue level modeling for deep understanding of cardiovascular system function.

Faculty development leave with full salary for Venky Shankar, Professor of Engineering in the Department of Civil, Environmental, and Construction Engineering in the College of Engineering, from September 2024 through December 2024. The proposed leave will allow Dr. Venky, with faculty colleagues at UC Berkeley, Penn State and the University of Washington, Seattle, to curate research proposals for ERC-type submissions in the 2024-2026 biennium. This activity will involve all three institutions as partners with Tech. Further, this leave will result in identification of industry partners through UC Berkeley, Penn State, UW and Tech innovation research hub integrative activities. The afore-mentioned activities are targeted to enable Texas Tech to escalate sponsored research into the multi-disciplinary, multi-university domain in transportation infrastructure as a national player of repute. This will also enable the growth of Texas Tech’s TechMRT an existing transportation center into a nationally influential research entity.

Faculty development leave with half salary for Lianfa Song, Professor of Engineering in the Department of Civil, Environmental, and Construction Engineering in the College of Engineering, from September 2024 through May 2025. During the period of leave, Dr. Song will complete work on a book on the membrane separation principle while also working to develop new research proposals in the area of membrane technologies in water purification and energy production. Membrane technology is a treatment process increasingly used for advanced water/wastewater treatment; as demand for high-quality potable water increases, it will be increasingly necessary to produce potable water from non-conventional water sources such as brackish water, seawater, and treated wastewater. Dr. Song's research product will be an important contribution to the field of environmental engineering.

Honors College

Faculty development leave with half salary for Bryan Giemza, Associate Professor of Humanities and Literature in the Honors College, from September 2024 through May 2025. The purpose of this leave is for Dr. Giemza to complete his current monograph titled *The God of Dark Matter: the Conversation between Apophatic Theology and Contemporary Science*. The book is under contract with the highly prestigious Notre Dame Press and the full draft is due in May 2025. Further, this leave will allow Dr. Giemza to finalize a second contract for another book with St. Martin's Press; this prestigious publisher has expressed interest in Dr. Giemza's existing work on the relationships between disinformation and climate change. Two finalized contracts with such prestigious publishers will significantly enhance both Dr. Giemza's scholarly reputation and the reputation of the Honors College at TTU.

School of Law

Faculty development leave with full salary for Catherine Christopher, Professor of Law in the School of Law, from January 2025 through May 2025. The purpose of this leave is for Prof. Christopher to complete research specific to administrative burdens associated with bar exam alternative licensure mechanisms. Travel to Concord, New Hampshire and Eugene, New Hampshire to interview bar examiners and law school stakeholders to learn about how those states administer bar exam alternatives will be required to complete this research. The resulting research manuscript, which Prof. Christopher anticipates submitting for publication in a prestigious law review, will substantially benefit other states interested in developing licensure mechanisms serving as alternatives to the traditional bar exam. Prof. Christopher's project is poised to significantly impact her field and the legal profession.

Faculty development leave with full salary for DeLeith Duke Gossett, Maddox Professor of Law in the School of Law, from August 2024 through

December 2024. The purpose of the leave is to support Prof. Gossett's travel to the Fort Worth location of the National Archives to research trial transcripts of the 1979 case, US versus Welch. This is the first successful RICO case (Racketeer Influenced and Corrupt Organizations) west of the Mississippi. Prof. Gossett's archival research will provide the framework for a forthcoming monograph on book about an under-researched area in Texas legal history, one that furthered federal power in an area largely reserved to states. This marked an important shift in the balance of American federalism and Prof. Gossett's book will bring visibility to this significant change in paradigm and practice.

Faculty development leave with full salary for Amy Hardberger, McCleskey Professor of Law in the School of Law, from January 2025 through May 2025. The purpose of the leave is to provide Prof. Hardberger with the time necessary to research and complete a major work for submission as a law review article. This scholarly project will include a comparative analysis of land conservation laws in Tanzania, Kenya, and in the United States. An assessment of their efficacy in protecting habitat and water resources will also be completed as part of the project. This project relies on Prof. Hardberger's two decades' experience focusing on water sustainability, environmental law, and land use management, and will fill a major gap in current scholarship on land preservation laws, bringing visibility and benefit to the countries being evaluated, the Center for Water Law and Policy, and TTU's national and international profile.

Jerry S. Rawls College of Business

Faculty development leave with full salary for Youngsoo Kim, Sowell Professor of Information Systems in the Area of Information Systems and Quantitative Sciences in the College of Business from January 2025 through May 2025. During the leave period, Dr. Kim will conduct research in the areas of information technology in healthcare and individuals' networking behaviors across multiple social media platforms. More narrowly, Dr. Kim will analyze the impact of telemedicine applications on healthcare access and affordability, while separately initiating research on behavioral choice trends across multiple social media platforms. Dr. Kim has identified gaps in available research specific to both of these areas and has already initiated contact with the Texas Tech University Health Sciences Center Managed Care Team as a first step in identifying a potential dataset for the healthcare project. Dr. Kim's resulting research products will expand traditional research boundaries in Information Systems and will substantially inform public health perspectives and practices.

College of Human Sciences

Dr. Naima Moustaid-Moussa, Horn Professor of Nutritional Sciences and Associate Vice President for Research, was awarded development leave by the Board of Regents at the February 2023 Board meeting. Subsequent to that award, Dr. Moustaid-Moussa was appointed to the administrative position of Associate Vice President for Research. That appointment impacted her ability to pursue development leave on the original timeline. Request permission to move Dr. Moustaid-Moussa's leave from Spring 2024 semester to Fall 2025 semester.

d. TTU: Approve leave of absence without pay.

Board approval required by: Section 04.05, *Regents' Rules*

The request is to approve the leave of absence without pay as listed below. This request has been approved administratively by the president and the chancellor and is recommended for approval by the Board of Regents.

Dr. Alan Barenberg, Ph.D., Associate Professor in the Department of History, College of Arts and Sciences, a leave of absence without pay. Dr. Barenberg has been awarded the prestigious Hubert. H. Humphrey Visiting Professorship of Russian/Soviet History at Macalester College. The Humphrey Professorship is a competitive award that carries financial support and an appointment for one academic year.

BACKGROUND INFORMATION

Section 04.05.1, *Regents' Rules*, requires Regents' approval of leaves of absence for faculty. The existing policy provides that leaves may be granted under conditions allowable by the State of Texas. Faculty members submit requests for leave through their respective deans to the provost. The provost has approved the leave as indicated.

e. TTU: Approve emeritus appointments.

Board approval required by: Section 04.01.2, *Regents' Rules*

The request is to grant emeritus status to the individuals as listed below. This request has been approved administratively by the president and the chancellor and is recommended for approval by the Board of Regents.

Charles Adams	Associate Professor of Restaurant, Hotel, Institutional Management, College of Human Sciences (30 years).
Ken Baake	Associate Professor of English, College of Arts and Sciences (22 years).
John Barkdull	Associate Professor of Political Science, College of Arts and Sciences (28 years).
Kelli Cargile Cook	Professor of Professional Communications, College of Media and Communication (14.5 years).
Bruce Clarke	Paul Whitfield Horn Distinguished Professor of English, College of Arts and Sciences (42 years).
William Conover	Paul Whitfield Horn Distinguished Professor of Mathematics and Statistics, College of Arts and Sciences (50 years).
John Cooney	Associate Professor of Finance, Jerry S Rawls College of Business (21 years).
Luis Grave De Peralta	Professor of Physics and Astronomy, College of Arts and Sciences (26 years).
Claude Hendricks	Professor Educational Counseling, College of Education (21 years).
Randall Jeter	Associate Professor of Biological Sciences, College of Arts and Sciences (38 years).
Donald Jones	Professor of ISQS, Jerry S Rawls College of Business (22 years).
Aie-Rie Lee	Professor of Political Science, College of Arts and Sciences (32 years).
Daniel Nathan	Professor of Philosophy, College of Arts and Sciences (49 years).

Rebecca Rickly	Professor of English, College of Arts and Sciences (25 years).
Andreas Schneider	Associate Professor of Sociology, College of Arts and Sciences (26 years).
John Zak	Professor of Biological Sciences, College of Arts and Sciences (37 years).

BACKGROUND INFORMATION

According to the *Regents' Rules*, emeritus appointments shall be honorary and without stipend. The appointments are given at retirement and are intended to recognize long and faithful service, or very distinguished service to the university. The named individuals qualify for emeritus appointment under the policy of the Board of Regents.

f. TTU: Approve exception to nepotism policy.

Board approval required by: Section 03.01.11, *Regents' Rules*; TTU Operating Policy 70.08

This request is to approve an exception to the nepotism policy in the following instance. This request has been approved administratively by the president and the chancellor and is recommended for approval by the Board of Regents.

Drew Graystone is the son of Head Volleyball Coach Tony Graystone and is a student who works on a part time basis as a technical coordinator. His responsibilities include oversight of two volleyball statistics software programs, and he reports directly to Mikayla Ell who reports to Coach Graystone. Drew's performance will be overseen by his direct supervisor, Mikayla Ell. This arrangement will be re-evaluated by the Deputy Athletic Director to ensure that there is effective management of conflict of interest and to see if any modifications are necessary.

BACKGROUND INFORMATION

Section 03.01.11, *Regents' Rules*, and TTU OP 70.08 prohibit a person related to an administrator by a prohibited degree to have an initial appointment to a position in an area of responsibility over which the administrator has appointive authority, in whole or in part, regardless of the source of funds from which the position's salary is to be paid. Furthermore, no employee may approve, recommend, or otherwise take action with regard to the appointment, reappointment, promotion, salary, or supervision of an individual related to the employee within a prohibited degree. If an appointment, reappointment, reclassification or promotion of an employee places the employee under an administrative supervisor who is related within a prohibited degree, all subsequent personnel and compensation actions affecting the employee shall become the responsibility of the next higher administrative supervisor.

g. TTUHSC: Approve emeritus appointments.

Board approval required by: Section 04.01.2, *Regents' Rules*, and HSC OP 10.12

This request is to approve conferral of the title of professor emeritus status to the following individuals for their long and faithful service to the Texas Tech University Health Sciences Center ("TTUHSC"): Sharon Cannon, EdD, RN, James K. Burks, M.D., Thomas Hale, Ph.D., Daniel Hurst, M.D., Richard Jordan, M.D., John W. Pelley, Ph.D., and Thomas Tenner, Ph.D. This request has been approved administratively by the president and the chancellor and is recommended for approval by the Board of Regents.

BACKGROUND INFORMATION

Emeritus appointments shall be honorary and without stipend. The appointments are given at retirement and are intended to recognize long and faithful service, or very distinguished service to the university. The individuals named below qualify for the emeritus appointment in accordance with TTUHSC Operating Policy 10.12 and *Regents' Rule* 04.01.2 as recommended by their respective schools.

Dr. Sharon Cannon started at TTUHSC in 1991 and was a tenured professor in the School of Nursing ("SON"). She began her journey as the Regional Dean on the Permian Basin campus in 1998, holding the Medical Center Hospital Regional Dean Endowed Chair designation since 2007. She has nearly 45 years of teaching experience in the classroom, clinical, and online arenas. She has received several awards recognizing her expertise as an outstanding educator, including the President's University Distinguished Professor Award. Dr. Cannon co-authored a popular textbook in its fifth publication edition, *Introduction to Nursing Research: Incorporating Evidence-Based Practice*. In addition, Dr. Cannon served as Co-Director of the Center of Excellence in Evidence-Based Practice from 2007 to 2023 and has made significant contributions to the Permian Basin region, the SON, and the TTUHSC.

Dr. Cannon retired on December 31, 2023.

Dr. James K. Burks served the TTUHSC School of Medicine ("SOM") on the Permian Basin campus for 15 years. He graduated from the UT Southwestern Medical School and joined TTUHSC to teach residents general Internal Medicine and Endocrinology. He was instrumental in leading the Endocrinology Fellowship and served as the medical director for the Endocrinology Diabetes Metabolism Center of Excellence.

Dr. Burks retired on November 11, 2022.

Dr. Thomas Hale joined the TTUHSC SOM in 1981 as one of the first four members of the Department of Pediatrics on the Amarillo campus. Dr. Hale is one of the world's leading authorities on lactation. His book *Mother's Milk* likely resides in most hospital nurseries, Pediatric Units, and NICUs around the globe, with over one million copies sold in English alone, adding Spanish, Japanese, and Mandarin over time. The book is now in its 17th edition. Dr. Hale has 53 peer-reviewed publications, 49 abstracts, six published books on breastfeeding and medications, and authored or co-authored 31 chapters. Dr. Hale developed the InfantRisk Center in 2012, a call center, website, and innovative iPhone and Android apps for mothers and mothers-to-be to obtain information on breastfeeding, medications, etc. The website receives about 3,000 daily visits and, since its inception, has received over three million visitors, 50,000 calls to the center hotline, and over 31,000 downloaded apps.

Dr. Hale retired on May 31, 2023.

Dr. Daniel Hurst dedicated 36 years of his professional career to the clinical service, education, and research missions of the TTUHSC SOM. He joined the Department of Pediatrics as an Associate Professor in 1986, was awarded tenure in 1990, and was promoted to Professor in 1993. As the only Pediatric Neurologist for many years, on call 24/7, he actively participated in education and research, publishing multiple articles in peer-reviewed journals, book chapters, and multicenter clinical trials. He served in the U.S. Army Reserve Medical Corps and was on active duty during Desert Storm, Joint Endeavor, and Enduring Freedom (rank as a Colonel).

Dr. Hurst retired on August 15, 2022.

Dr. Richard Jordan came to Amarillo as a Professor of Internal Medicine and the Regional Dean in 2007 when Dr. Steven Berk was appointed dean of the TTUHSC SOM. Dr. Jordan's passion was simulation training for all students and residents. He successfully brought Amarillo College and West Texas A&M University together to create the SimCentral, a state-of-the-art simulation center dedicated to educating thousands of healthcare providers across the Panhandle. He served on numerous community boards, including the Amarillo Hospital Board, The Children's Miracle Network, the Laura Bush Institute for Women's Health, the March of Dimes, and the Harrington Cancer and Health Foundation.

Dr. Jordan retired on August 31, 2023.

Dr. John W. Pelley joined the TTUHSC SOM in 1972, a 51-year career as a faculty member in the Department of Cell Biology and Biochemistry and the Department of Medical Education. Dr. Pelley served as the Assistant Dean for Admissions and the Associate Dean for Academic Affairs. He is the founding chair of the Educational Policy Committee. Dr. Pelley is nationally well-known as an expert on how medical students learn and succeed. His innovations include the Expert Skills Program and a free resource to students and faculty worldwide,

the *SuccessTypes* Medical Education website.

Dr. Pelley retired on December 31, 2023.

Dr. Thomas Tenner has been a faculty member in the TTUHSC SOM since 1978. He was appointed to the Department of Pharmacology and Neurosciences and Medical Education. He is often referred to as the teacher's teacher and has mentored numerous faculty throughout his career. Dr. Tenner was appointed the Associate Dean for Faculty Affairs and Development from 2005 to 2017 and provided valuable leadership to the offices of Continuing Medical Education and the Clinical Research Institute. He has received every possible teaching and recognition award offered by the TTUHSC and the SOM – some many times over. As a well-funded and published researcher, he focused on studying the modulatory effects of chronic drug administration or disease states on cardiovascular function, focusing on diabetes mellitus. Dr. Tenner served on the Lubbock Health Facilities Development Corporation Board of Directors, was instrumental in ending smoking in local restaurants, and serves as an on-air host for local PBS fundraising drives.

Dr. Tenner retired on May 31, 2023.

h. TTU: Approve updating building names.

Board approval required by: Sections 13.03 and 13.03.2, *Regents' Rules*

The request is to approve updating the building names in the campus inventory as listed below. New signage for the building will specify the approved name. This request has been approved administratively by the president and the chancellor and is recommended for approval by the Board of Regents.

Number	Current System Name	Proposed Name Change
0004	Electrical Engineering	Electrical and Computer Engineering
0018	Development Office	Student Enrichment Center

BACKGROUND INFORMATION

Historically the Electrical Engineering building has housed the Electrical Engineering Department. In 1998, the Electrical Engineering Department changed its name to Electrical and Computer Engineering, however during an Accreditation Board for Engineering and Technology ("ABET") accreditation visit in fall 2023, it was noted that the building did not accurately reflect the most current departmental and academic functions. As a result, the university is requesting the building name change in accordance with Section 13.03.2, *Regents' Rules*.

The Development Building historically housed the Office of Development now currently the Office of Advancement. Over the years, the units housed within the Development Building have been mixed. However, in 2022, the building was fully renovated to serve as a student education and engagement opportunity. The Office of Campus Access & Engagement oversees the Intercultural Education and Engagement office within the building. Intercultural Education and Engagement takes a student-centered approach to explore and affirm shared humanity through intentional coalition building, holistic wellness resources, scholarly activities, and consistent community outreach to educate the student body, faculty, and staff. The goal is to foster a sense of community at Texas Tech University. The name change to Student Enrichment Center will more accurately reflect current building use and functions in accordance with Section 13.03.2, *Regents' Rules*.

The proposed name changes will update the current system names to reflect our campus nomenclature and Section 13.03.2, *Regents' Rules*, which states that, "Academic facilities should be named based on the major academic use of the facility. Athletic facilities should be named based on the major athletic purpose of the facility."

i. **TTU: Approve naming within the Corky Oglesby Track & Field administrative office addition.**

Board approval required by: Section 13.02.2.a., *Regents' Rules*

The request is to approve naming the entrance lobby within the Texas Tech University Department of Athletics' Corky Oglesby Track & Field administrative office addition, the "Travis & Lexi Thompson Lobby." The donor concurs with the naming of the space. Signage for the space will specify the approved name. This request has been approved administratively by the president and the chancellor and is recommended for approval by the Board of Regents.

BACKGROUND INFORMATION

Travis and Lexi Thompson ("Donors") made a \$500,000.00 gift to benefit the Texas Tech University Department of Athletics' Track & Field program (the "Gift") on January 11, 2023. The Gift may be used to at the discretion of the Athletics Director and Track & Field Coach, to benefit Track & Field directly.

In honor and recognition of the Donors' generous one-time gift, the Department of Athletics desires to name the entry lobby within the Corky Oglesby Track & Field administrative office addition the "Travis & Lexi Thompson Lobby."

This gift meets the minimum fifty percent (50%) threshold requirement for naming a subunit within a facility, as verified by Texas Tech University's Operations Division and provided to the vice chancellor of facilities planning and construction.

Section 13.02.2.a., *Regents' Rules* requires approval of the board to name a facility within the TTU system resulting from a private gift.

j. TTU: Approve honorary namings within the new Dustin R. Womble Football Center.

Board approval required by: Section 13.04.1, *Regents' Rules*

The request is to approve two honorary namings within the new Dustin R. Womble Football Center (the "Womble FC"), in honor of longtime athletics supporters, as outlined below:

the weight room within Womble FC shall be known as the "Pickering Family Weight Room," and

the head nutritionist office within the Womble FC shall be known as the "Dean & Christi Quinn Head Nutrition Office."

Signage for the structures will specify the approved name. This request has been approved administratively by the president and the chancellor and is recommended for approval by the Board of Regents.

BACKGROUND INFORMATION

The Pickering Family—consisting of David & Lugene Pickering; Don & Cray Pickering, and Jay & Dorothy Pickering (collectively the "Pickering Family") are longtime supporters of Texas Tech University Athletics ("Athletics") and its student-athletes. The Pickering Family's history of philanthropy was instrumental in kicking off its campaign to support the new South End Zone at Jones AT&T Stadium and Womble FC projects.

Dean and Christi Quinn are longtime supporters of Texas Tech University academics and Athletics—specifically Athletics' nutrition program. Dean and Christi, a Texas Tech Foundation board member, engage in numerous activities, in addition to their philanthropy, to support and elevate Athletics' sports nutrition program for the benefit of Texas Tech student-athletes.

Athletics desires to recognize the longtime and ongoing support of both the Pickering Family and Dean and Christi Quinn by naming unique spaces within the new Womble FC in their honor. Specifically, Athletics desires to name the new Womble FC weight room the "Pickering Family Weight Room" and the head nutritionist's office within the Womble FC the "Dean & Christi Quinn Head Nutrition Office."

Section 13.04.1., *Regents' Rules*, requires board approval of the honorary naming of a facility in honor of one or more individuals before the naming may be announced.

k. ASU: Authorize the president to execute a contract amendment with Skyline Aviation Inc. for Flight Training Courses for the 2025 school year.

Board approval required by: Section 07.12.3.a. and Section 07.12.3.b. *Regents' Rules*

The request is to authorize the president, or his designee, to approve a contract amendment with Skyline Aviation Inc. ("Skyline") for flight training courses for school year 2025, including fall, spring and summer semesters. This request has been approved administratively by the president and the chancellor and is recommended for approval by the Board of Regents.

BACKGROUND INFORMATION

In June 2021, Angelo State University ("ASU") Initiated within its Department of Business, a Bachelors of Commercial Aviation ("BCA") program. The BCA program was approved by the Board of Regents on May 14, 2020 and a contract with Skyline was approved by the Board of Regents on May 13, 2021. Under the existing agreement, ASU contracted with Skyline to provide the in-flight training and to participate in cooperative education endeavors for the aviation students in this program. ASU had successful launch the past 3 years of this program. As we have historical data for students in the program, Skyline is suggesting altering of flight hours required per course which will eliminate unknown fees for students to pay later in the semester in order to pass the practical exam. School Year 2025 has a projection to double students by the original cohort advancing an incoming class size to match. This growth in students necessitates a contract amendment with Skyline to meet program demand over the course of one school year. The contract amendment has been reviewed by the Office of General Counsel.

The cost below is for courses and required flying time. In addition, the cost adjusts for the increase in aircraft fuel prices. As this program evolves and historical data is available, costs will be estimated for future years of the program.

Component	Vendor	Service to be Provided	Estimated Per Annum Expenditures	Estimated Term Expenditures (includes renewals)	Start	End	Procurement Method
ASU	Skyline Aviation	Flight instruction	\$7,000,000.00	To Be Determined	9/1/2024	8/31/2025	Competitive Quotation

Section 07.12.3.a., *Regents' Rules*, requires Board approval of contracts more than \$1 million and 07.12.3.b, *Regents' Rules* requires Board approval of contract amendments, extensions or renewals with a value that increases the value of the original contract to more than \$1,000,000 per annum of the contract unless the authority to exceed the approved amount is expressly delegated by the board.

I. TTU: Authorize the president to finalize negotiations and execute a fourth amendment to the neutral host lease agreement with New Cingular Wireless PCS, LLC.

Board approval required by: Section 07.12.3.d.(1)(b), *Regents' Rules*

The request is to authorize the president, or his designee, to enter into negotiations to amend the neutral host lease agreement with New Cingular Wireless PCS, LLC ("AT&T"). This request has been approved administratively by the president and the chancellor and is recommended for approval by the Board of Regents.

BACKGROUND INFORMATION

The president of Texas Tech University ("TTU") recognizes the need to enter into an amendment to the neutral host lease agreement with AT&T for the installation, construction, maintenance, operation, repair, replacement, and upgrade of a communication facility, including installing and operating a neutral host, multi-carrier distributed antenna system ("DAS"), and related wireless communications equipment at Jones AT&T Stadium.

Under the current lease agreement, originally dated July 5, 2011, and amended May 31, 2013 (amendment to revise the term), June 28, 2013 (increased services to support surrounding area), and May 5, 2015 (incorporated United Spirit Arena) TTU leases approximately 1,200 square feet of space in Jones AT&T Stadium to AT&T for the DAS system and equipment.

AT&T will be upgrading equipment for increased 5G cellular service at AT&T's expense in consideration of an extended lease term. The extensions agreed upon in this fourth amendment remain subject to negotiation but shall not exceed 10 years in total. AT&T has requested an extended term because of AT&T's investment in the equipment. This amendment is exclusive of the naming rights for Jones AT&T Stadium, and the naming rights will be negotiated separately.

Section 07.12.3.d.(1)(b), *Regents' Rules*, requires Board approval on contracts that involve a sale or lease of land and/or improvements thereon, or a commitment of funds or other resources for more than five years.

m. **TTU, TTUHSC and TTUHSC El Paso: Approve commissioning of police officers.**

Board approval required by: Section 51.203, *Texas Education Code*

The request is to commission the following individuals as a police officer, effective on the dates as indicated below. This request has been approved administratively by the chancellor and the president of each respective component institution and is recommended for approval by the Board of Regents. Commissions for this agenda item cover the period of July 1 – December 31 of the prior calendar year.

TEXAS TECH UNIVERSITY/TEXAS TECH UNIVERSITY HEALTH SCIENCES CENTER:

Johnathan McDermott, effective June 16, 2023

Steven Davis, effective October 2, 2023

Levi Ridley, effective October 9, 2023

TEXAS TECH UNIVERSITY HEALTH SCIENCES CENTER EL PASO:

Maximo Dominguez, effective 10/1/2023

Patricia Castillo, effective 10/1/2023

Shaun Roberts, effective 10/1/2023

Louis C. Manning, effective 10/1/2023

Stephen Schwartfeger, effective 10/1/2023

BACKGROUND INFORMATION

The Board of Regents routinely takes action to commission certain employees as peace officers in accordance with *Texas Education Code*, Section 51.203.

n. **TTU and TTUS: Approve purchasing contract(s) in excess of \$1,000,000.**

Board approval required by: Section 07.12.3, *Regents' Rules*

The request is to approve purchasing contracts in accordance with *Regents Rules* 07.12.3.a, including those contracts with a value exceeding \$5,000,000 in accordance with *Regents' Rules* 07.12.3.c as listed on the following page. This request has been approved administratively by the president and the chancellor and is recommended for approval by the Board of Regents.

BACKGROUND INFORMATION

In accordance with *Regents' Rules*, the Board is routinely requested to approve purchasing contracts under which the TTUS components spend more than \$1,000,000 per annum. Purchasing contracts are procured and executed in compliance with Texas Education Code §51.9335 as well as the *Regents' Rules* and TTUS component Operating Policies and Procedures.

Section 07.12.3.a, *Regents' Rules*, requires Board approval for contracts that total in excess of \$1,000,000 over the entire term of the contract, unless a different consideration is specified by this policy.

However, Section 07.12.3.c provides that, for all purchasing contracts that exceed a total value of \$5,000,000 over the life of the contract (even if the annual amount is less than \$1,000,000), the Board must be provided:

- (1) verification that the solicitation and purchasing method and contractor selection process comply with state law and TTU System policies; and
- (2) information on any potential issue(s) that may arise in the solicitation, purchasing, or contractor selection process.

The attached table shows: (1) purchasing contracts for which Board approval is required; and (2) purchasing contracts that exceed \$5,000,000 over the life of the contract for which the special reporting is required.

Regents' Rules 07.12.3.a and 07.12.3.c

Component	Vendor	Services or Goods to be Provided	Estimated Per Annum Expenditures	Estimated Term Expenditures (includes renewals)	Start	End	Procurement Method
TTUS	(C21540) Convergeone	Data Storage, Data Communication & Networking equipment and related services	\$ 1,500,000	\$ 7,500,000	Execution	5 years after execution	Texas Department of Information Resources (DIR)
TTU	(C21541) Eurofins Environment Testing South Central, LLC	Water sample testing and laboratory analysis services	\$ 1,250,000	\$ 2,500,000	Execution	2 years after execution	RFP
TTU	(C21388) Thermo Fisher Scientific	Research Lab Products and Distribution Services	\$ 3,000,000	\$ 18,000,000	11/1/2023	10/31/2029	UT Alliance
TTU	(C21417) Lubbock Audio Visual	Audio Visual Equipment, Supplies, and Services	\$ 1,000,000	\$ 4,000,000	11/30/2023	11/30/2027	TIPS

o. TTUHSC El Paso: Approve establishment of quasi-endowment matching a private gift and benefitting the Hunt School of Nursing.

Board approval required by: *LTIF Investment Policy Statement*

The request is to approve establishment of a quasi-endowment benefitting Texas Tech University Health Sciences Center El Paso (“TTUHSC EP”) and the Hunt School of Nursing (“HSON”), as follows:

Fund Name: Anchondo Law Foundation Nursing Scholarship

Criteria: Endowment will provide scholarship for nursing students who are residents of El Paso, Texas and have financial need as determined by the Free Application for Federal Student Aid or “FAFSA.” Preference shall be given to students who engage in activities to promote engaging women and/or Hispanics in health professions, i.e., through volunteerism or related student or community organizations. Scholarships provided under the endowment may be renewable to students who remain in good academic standing with TTUHSC EP for the duration of the program.

BACKGROUND INFORMATION

The Texas Tech Foundation, Inc. (“TTFI”) received a \$1 million irrevocable pledge and gift from the Anchondo Law Foundation, Inc., for the benefit of Texas Tech University Health Sciences Center El Paso and the Gayle Greve Hunt School of Nursing. Donors desire to use the gift to establish an endowment—the Anchondo Law Foundation Nursing Scholarship (the “Endowment”).

The irrevocable gift is payable over a period of ten (10) years, to be completed on or before December 31, 2032. TTUHSC EP has agreed to match one hundred percent (100%) of the gift, using internally designated funds to establish a scholarship with the exact same purpose as the Endowment, as follows:

To provide scholarship for nursing students who are residents of El Paso, Texas and have financial need as determined by the Free Application for Federal Student Aid or “FAFSA.” Preference shall be given to students who engage in activities to promote engaging women and/or Hispanics in health professions, i.e., through volunteerism or related student or community organizations. Scholarships provided under the endowment may be renewable to students who remain in good academic standing with TTUHSC EP for the duration of the program.

Section 3 of the Texas Tech University System’s LTIF Investment Policy Statement states that the Board delegates the authority to the Chancellor or

Chancellor's designee the right to approve quasi-endowment when funds are less than \$250,000. As the corresponding quasi-endowment for TTUHSC EP will exceed the \$250,000 threshold, the request must be approved by the Board of Regents.

p. **TTUHSC El Paso: Approve establishment of quasi-endowment matching a private gift and benefitting the Hunt School of Dental Medicine.**

Board approval required by: *LTIF Investment Policy Statement*

The request is to approve establishment of a quasi-endowment benefitting Texas Tech University Health Sciences Center El Paso (“TTUHSC EP”) and the Hunt School of Dental Medicine (“HSDM”), as follows:

Fund Name: High Desert Oral & Facial Surgery Endowed Professorship

Criteria: Funds will be used to establish the inaugural endowed professorship to be held by the director (or equivalent position) of the oral surgery residency program. Funds to be used by the director/HDOFS endowed professor in support of growing and establishing a world class oral surgery residency program.

BACKGROUND INFORMATION

The Texas Tech Foundation, Inc. (“TTFI”) received a \$250,000.00 pledged gift from High Desert Oral & Facial Surgery (“Donor”), for the benefit of Texas Tech University Health Sciences Center El Paso and the Hunt School of Dental Medicine. Donors desire to use the gift to establish an endowment and new professorship—the High Desert Oral & Facial Surgery Endowed Professorship (the “Professorship”).

The gift is payable over a period of five (5) years, to be completed on or before May 1, 2028. TTUHSC EP will match one hundred percent (100%) of the gift, using internally designated funds from the Hunt School of Dental Medicine Fund to establish a corresponding endowment benefitting the Professorship, with the exact same purpose as established by the Donor.

The Texas Tech University System’s LTIF Investment Policy Statement reserves the right of the Board of Regents to establish quasi-endowment funds valued at \$250,000.00 and above. Since TTUHSC EP requests to establish the corresponding quasi-endowment mirroring the Donor’s Endowment must be approved by the Board of Regents.

CONTENTS OF THE INFORMATION AGENDA

Section 01.02.7.d(4)(c), *Regents' Rules*, provides: “material required by a provision of the *Regents' Rules* to be furnished to the Board as information will be listed in the information agenda.”

NOTE: The following are reports or other documents which, according to the *Regents' Rules* or state law, must be made available to the Board of Regents. As such, the reports below are on file in the Board Office, and their listing on the Information Agenda constitutes notice that they are available to Board members upon request.

INFORMATION AGENDA

Information is provided as required by
Section 01.02.7.d(4)(c), *Regents' Rules*

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- (1) **ASU, MSU, TTU, TTUHSC and TTUHSC El Paso: Summary of Revenues and Expenditures by Budget Category, FY 2024 (as of November 30, 2023), per Section 01.02.8.d(3)(g), *Regents' Rules*** – All actual expenditures will be reviewed by the Finance and Investments Committee annually and provided as information. Financial reports for the most recently completed quarter for each of the component institutions are available at: <https://www.texastech.edu/offices/cfo/board-financial-reports.php>

- (2) **TTUHSC: Contracts for ongoing and continuing health-related service relationships per Section 07.12.4.c, *Regents' Rules*** – “The following are excepted from the requirements of Section 07.12.3.a and Section 07.12.3.b, *Regents' Rules*, “the board delegates to the presidents of health-related institutions the authority to approve the proposals and execute and sign contracts for health related services, as specified herein. This delegation is limited to contracts with entities for which the institution has an ongoing and continuing contractual relationship, to include: revenue contracts from which the institution receives payment for health related services; participation in health provider networks; resident or faculty support; and expense contracts with healthcare providers or suppliers necessary to fulfill the obligation to provide health related services as part of a revenue contract or new health related services contracts that involve a stated or implied consideration that total in excess of \$1,000,000 over the entire term of the contract but the per annum amount is less than \$1,000,000. Before such a contract may be executed, the president shall obtain the prior review of the TTU system Office of General Counsel and the TTU system vice chancellor and chief financial officer, or their designees. A list of health-related services contracts that have been executed under this delegation of authority since the previous regular board meeting shall be provided to the board as an information item at the next regular board meeting.”

TTUHSC					
<i>Regents' Rules, 07.12.4.c</i>					
Component	Vendor (Include Contract #)	Service or Goods to be Provided	Start Date	End Date	Extension/ Amendment
TTUHSC	(AMEND3371958-003) University Medical Center - UMC Lubbock	Amended and Restated - Agreement for Services and Funding Support - Pediatrics Department	3/1/2023	6/30/2024	Extension

TTUHSC	(AMEND593561-010) UMC Physicians	Amendment to Compensation - Attachment to Physician Staffing Agreement 00151; Ralph Paone, MD	1/1/2012	12/31/2024	Amendment
TTUHSC	(AMEND2348579-010) Management and Training Corporation	Amendment to Compensation - MTC Medical, LLC - Tele-psychiatry service-Dalby facility	6/1/2019	5/31/2024	Amendment
TTUHSC	(AMEND3371958-004) University Medical Center - UMC Lubbock	Amendment to Services and Compensation - Agreement for Services and Funding Support - Pediatrics Department	4/1/2022	6/30/2024	Amendment
TTUHSC	(CON3549409) University Medical Center - UMC Lubbock	Interlocal Agreement - Electronic Health Records Agreement - Consolidation of Existing Agreements	9/1/2023	8/31/2024	Amendment
TTUHSC	(AMEND1592373-014) University Medical Center - UMC Lubbock	Amendment to Services and Compensation - Agreement for faculty support Department of Internal Medicine, Medical Oncology	5/15/2016	6/30/2024	Amendment
TTUHSC	(AMEND3369749-001) University Medical Center - UMC Lubbock	Amendment to Extend - Agreement for Services and Funding Support for Urology	7/1/2022	6/30/2024	Extension

- (3) **TTU, TTUHSC and TTUHSC El Paso: Contracts that involve a stated or implied consideration that total in excess of \$1,000,000 over the entire term of the contract but the per annum amount is less than \$1,000,000 per section 07.12.4 of the Regents' Rules** – The following are excepted from the requirements of Section 07.12.3.a and 07.12.3 b, *Regents' Rules*, “the chancellor or president, or the chancellor or presidents designee, as appropriate, is delegated the authority to approve: (i) contracts that involve a stated or implied consideration that total in excess of \$1,000,000 over the entire term of the contract but the per annum amount is less than \$1,000,000; and (ii) any amendment, extension, or renewal of a contract originally approved by the chancellor or president, as appropriate, so long as the amendment, extension, or renewal does not cause the per annum amount of the contract to exceed \$1,000,000. This requirement is applicable to

both cash and non-cash considerations. Information about such contracts or contract amendments, extensions, or renewals that are approved by the chancellor or a president under this delegation of authority shall be provided to the board as an information item at the next regular board meeting.”

Regents Rules, 07.12.4								
TTU: Approved Purchasing Contracts								
Component	Vendor (Include Contract #)	Service or Goods to be Provided	Per Annum Consideration	Term Consideration (includes renewal)	Start Date	End Date	New or Extension	Procurement Method
TTU	(C21048) Thomas Automatic Fire Protection	Fire Suppression System Installations and Repairs	\$750,000/year	\$2.25 mil.	09/01/2023	08/31/2026	New	TTUHSC RFP
TTU	(C21171) T2 Systems	Parking Management Systems with related equipment, supplies, and services	\$550,000/year	\$1.6 mil	Execution	3 years after execution	New	Sourcewell
TTU	(C21259) PASCO Brokerage Inc.	Food Equipment and Related Services	\$250,000/year	\$1.25 mil.	08/01/2023	07/31/2028	New	Choice Partners
TTU	(C15296) Transact Campus Inc.	Stored Value Card Solutions Software and Related Services	\$500,000/year	\$2.0 mil.	06/01/2020	12/19/2024	Extension	NCPA Cooperative
TTU	(C21475) McGraw Hill Education	Publishing Services	\$500,000/year (revenue)	\$2.5 mil.	Execution	5 years after execution	New	Other
TTU	(C21542) PAK Quality Foods	Meat for Resale and Specialty Food Items	\$800,000/year	\$6.5 mil.	Execution	8 years after execution	New	RFP
TTU	(C21543) Eddy Packing Co	Meat for Resale and Specialty Food Items	\$800,000/year	\$6.5 mil.	Execution	8 years after execution	New	RFP
TTU	(C21544) Cargill Meat Solutions	Meat for Resale and Specialty Food Items	\$800,000/year	\$6.5 mil.	Execution	8 years after execution	New	RFP
TTU	(C21403) Moyers Group	Audio Visual Equipment, Supplies, and Services	\$600,000/year	\$2.4 mil.	11/30/2023	11/30/2026	New	TIPS

TTUHSC: Approved Purchasing Contracts								
<i>Regents Rules, 07.12.4</i>								
Component	Vendor (Include Contract #)	Service or Goods to be Provided	Per Annum Consideration	Term Consideration (includes renewal)	Start Date	End Date	New or Extension	Procurement Method
TTUHSC	(AMEND34423 49-001) North Loop MOB Ltd	Amendment to Add Suite 215 and Suite 219 - Lease - NorthStar Professional Center, 4642 N. Loop 289, Lubbock, Texas 79416	\$ 953,829	\$ 2,109,180	10/1/2022	9/30/2026	Extension	Solicitation

TTUHSC El Paso: Approved Purchasing Contracts						
<i>Regents Rules, 07.12.4</i>						
Component	Vendor	Service or Goods to be Provided	Start Date	End Date	New or Extension	Procurement Method
TTUHSC EP	(11633) El Paso Healthcare System Ltd.	Neurology	11/01/23	10/31/26	New	N/A Professional Services
TTUHSC EP	(11504) C&P Anesthesiology PLLC	Anesthesia	01/01/24	12/31/27	New	N/A Professional Services
TTUHSC EP	(10839-A12) Virence Health Technologies	MPIP	09/01/22	12/31/27	Extension	N/A Professional Services
TTUHSC EP	(01188-A04) Cigna Healthcare of Texas, Inc.	Managed Care	05/01/10	12/31/27	Extension	N/A Professional Services
TTUHSC EP	(08290-A06) Texas Health and Human Services Commission	OBGYN	01/01/21	08/31/24	Extension	N/A Professional Services
TTUHSC EP	(08163-A01) Weatherby Locums, Inc.	Locums	12/01/20	11/30/26	Extension	N/A Professional Services
TTUHSC EP	(07092-A02) Ceequence Americas, LLC	MPIP	12/30/19	12/29/24	Extension	N/A Professional Services
TTUHSC EP	(06078-A01) Bien-Air USA, Inc.	Dental Equipment	04/22/19	12/31/24	Extension	N/A Professional Services
TTUHSC EP	(05726-A01) A-Dec Inc.	Dental Equipment	12/13/18	12/31/24	Extension	N/A Professional Services

TTUHSC EP	(02543-A08) Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board	Family Medicine	09/01/16	08/31/24	Extension	N/A Professional Services
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- (4) ASU, TTUHSC, TTUHSC El Paso: Consulting contracts with an initial consideration of \$100,000 or less per Section 07.12.4.e.(2), Regents’ Rules** – “(a) Board approval is not required, but the vice chancellor and chief financial officer, in consultation with the chancellor, presidents, and chief financial officers of the institutions, shall review consulting contracts of \$100,000 or less prior to execution of the contract by the chancellor or president, as appropriate. (b) A report of the contract shall be provided as an Information Agenda item at the next board meeting.”

ASU					
<i>Regents Rules, 07.12.4.e.(2)</i>					
Component	Vendor (Include Contract #)	Consulting Service to be Provided	Term Consideration	Start Date	End Date
ASU	Stephanie Jones	HSI-STEM Critical Pathway to STEM grant for the third year of this 5 year grant	\$20,000	9/1/2023	8/31/2024
ASU	Youngblood & Associates, LLC	Evaluate services supporting National Science Foundation Awards	\$5,000	2/1/2024	9/30/2024

TTUHSC					
<i>Regents Rules, 07.12.4.e.(2)</i>					
Component	Vendor (Include Contract #)	Consulting Service to be Provided	Term Consideration	Start Date	End Date
TTUHSC	(CON3561223) Christner Strategies LLC	Consulting Services LCME Accreditation	\$ 93,250	12/1/2023	8/31/2025

TTUHSC El Paso					
<i>Regents Rules, 07.12.4.e.(2)</i>					
Component	Vendor (Include Contract #)	Consulting Service to be Provided	Term Consideration	Start Date	End Date
TTUHSC EP	Daniel E. Frigo	CPRIT Research	\$35,000	03/01/23	02/29/28

- (5) **TTU and TTUHSC: Contracts for Sponsored Programs Projects per Section 07.12.4.b., Regents' Rules** – “The board delegates to the presidents the authority to approve the proposals and execute and sign contracts for sponsored program projects in excess of \$1,000,000 per annum. Sponsored program projects are those grants, contracts, and cooperative agreements from either the public or private sectors that support research, instructional, and service projects. A list of such contracts for sponsored program projects in excess of \$1,000,000 per annum shall be provided to the board as an information item at the next regular board meeting.”

TTU:

- (a) Establishing climate smart commodities with reduced greenhouse gas footprints to enhance environmental and economic sustainability in the Texas High Plains; Krishna Jagadish J. Sv, Professor, Plant and Soil Science, and Principal Investigator; USDA - Natural Resources Conservation Service; \$4,945,553 awarded
- (b) Technical Assistance Provider for LEA Residency Program Support; Sarah Elaine Beal, Executive Director, US PREP National Center, and Principal Investigator; Region 13 Education Service Center (ESC); \$1,434,018 awarded

TTUHSC:

- (a) Commission on State Emergency Communications contract funding entitled “CSEC Regional Poison Control Center”, grant year 09/01/2023 through 08/31/2024; award amount \$1,024,170

- (6) **TTUS: Named Funds per Section 13.02.3.a, Regents' Rules** – “The board delegates approvals to name endowments or other gift funds established through a private gift of less than \$5 million to the president of the benefitting institution, in consultation and cooperation with the chancellor and the vice chancellor of Institutional Advancement. Notice shall be provided to the board of regents as part of the information agenda at the next board meeting.”

- (a) Prior to the call to order of the February/March board meeting, the vice chancellor for institutional advancement notified the board of regents of all named endowments and other gifts equaling \$100,000 or more given or pledged to the component universities via agreements executed between October 9, 2023, and January 21, 2024.

- (7) **TTU: Emergency or exigent circumstances for Budget Adjustment, Section 07.04.4.a(2), Regents' Rules** – “Emergency and exigent circumstances approvals. When an emergency or exigent circumstances exist, the chair or the chair of the Finance and Investments Committee may approve a proposal submitted by the chancellor, or the chancellor's designee, for budget adjustments which establish a new budget in excess of \$2,000,000 or increase an existing budget to an amount in excess of \$2,000,000 due to new activities and/or revenue sources, with subsequent notification to the board at the next regular board meeting.”

- (a) On January 18, 2024, Chairman Griffin granted an exigent circumstances approval that, pursuant to Education Code sections 62.145 and 62.151, authorized a budget adjustment of \$44,409,886 in Texas Tech University's FY24 Operating Budget. This budget adjustment represents TTU's allocation from the Texas University Fund (“TUF”). In advance of the Chairman's action, all regents were provided information regarding the terms of the adjustment.

ATTACHMENT

**Current Horn Distinguished Professors
(ACS Item 12.)**

Current Horn Distinguished Professors

1999	Kenneth Ketner Institute for Studies in Pragmatism	2015	Guigen Li Chemistry & Biochemistry
2000	Stefan Estreicher Physics		Andreas Neuber Electrical & Computer Engineering
2003	Loretta Bradley Educational Psychology		Brian Shannon School of Law
2006	Michael Galyean Animal Science	2016	Eric Hequet Plant and Soil Sciences
2007	William Castro School of Law	2018	Yehia Mechref Chemistry & Biochemistry
	Eileen Johnson Museum	2019	Danny Reible Civil, Environmental, & Construction Engineering
2008	David Larmour Classical & Modern Languages & Literatures	2020	William Gardner Area of Management
2010	Victoria Sutton School of Law	2021	Katherine Hayhoe Political Science
2013	Hongzing Jiang Electrical & Computer Engineering		Naima Moustaid-Moussa Nutritional Sciences
2014	Jingyu Lin Electrical & Computer Engineering	2022	Mindy Brashears Food Science
			Chau-Chyun Chen Chemical Engineering
		2023	Nikhil Dhurandar Nutritional Sciences