



TEXAS TECH UNIVERSITY SYSTEM

BOARD OF REGENTS

AGENDA BOOK

February 25-26, 2021

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Mr. Christopher M. Huckabee
Mr. J. Michael Lewis, Chairman
Mr. Mark Griffin, Vice Chairman
Mr. Ron Hammonds
Mrs. Ginger Kerrick
Mr. Mickey L. Long
Mr. John D. Steinmetz
Mr. John B. Walker
Mr. Dusty Womble
Ms. Brooke Walterscheid, Student-Regent

Standing Committees:

Academic, Clinical and Student Affairs:
Ginger Kerrick; John Steinmetz (Chair); John Walker, Brooke Walterscheid

Audit:
Ron Hammonds (Chair); Ginger Kerrick; Dusty Womble

Facilities:
Mark Griffin; Ron Hammonds; Mickey Long (Chair)

Finance, Administration, and Investments
Mickey Long; John Walker (Chair); Dusty Womble

AGENDA

Board of Regents Meeting

Lubbock, Texas

February 25-26, 2021

Abbreviated Agenda with Approximate Times*

Thursday, February 25, 2021

Board of Trustees Meeting of the Carr Scholarship Foundation
(Shown for informational purposes only.)

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| 11:00 am | Call to Order; convene Meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Carr Scholarship Foundation
Location: Regents Conference Room (104A), First Floor, System Building, 1508 Knoxville Avenue, Lubbock, Texas |
| 11:10 am | Adjournment |

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| 11:10 am | Call to Order; convene as Meeting of the Board and Committee of the Whole Board
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| 11:10 am | Executive Session
Location: Regents Committee Room (106), First Floor, System Building, 1508 Knoxville Avenue, Lubbock, Texas |
| 2:00 pm | Following Executive Session, reconvene into Open Session as Committee of the Whole <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • ES Motions, if any • COVID-19 Report • Legislative Update Location: Regents Conference Room (104A), First Floor, System Building, 1508 Knoxville Avenue, Lubbock, Texas |
| 2:45 pm | Recess |

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2:45 pm (or upon recess of the Meeting of the Board)	Academic, Clinical and Student Affairs Committee Location: Regents Conference Room (104A), First Floor, System Building, 1508 Knoxville Avenue, Lubbock, Texas
3:15 pm (or upon adjournment of the ACS Cmte. Meeting)	Audit Committee Location: Regents Conference Room (104A), First Floor, System Building, 1508 Knoxville Avenue, Lubbock, Texas
3:30 pm (or upon adjournment of the Audit Cmte. meeting)	Finance, Administration and Investments Committee Location: Regents Conference Room (104A), First Floor, System Building, 1508 Knoxville Avenue, Lubbock, Texas

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Meeting of the Board

- 8:30 am Call to Order; reconvene as Meeting of the Board and Committee of the Whole Board
- Introductions and Recognitions
 - Continuation of meetings of the Standing Committees of the Board, if necessary
 - Approval of minutes
 - Approval of Consent and Information Agendas
 - Committee Reports
 - 2021 BOR meeting schedule
 - SGA President Reports
- Location: Regents Conference Room (104A), First Floor, System Building, 1508 Knoxville Avenue, Lubbock, Texas

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On or before 11:00 am	Adjournment

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System Building, 1508 Knoxville Avenue,
Lubbock, Texas**

Board of Trustees of the Carr Scholarship Foundation: This meeting will take place no earlier than 11:00 am; refer to agenda provided by the Chief Financial Officer’s Office

Location: Regents Conference Room (104A), First Floor, System Building, 1508 Knoxville Avenue, Lubbock, Texas

- I. **Meeting of the Board—Call to Order; convene into Open Session of the Board**Chairman Lewis

- II. **Executive Session:** The Board will convene into Executive Session, in the Regents Committee Room (106), First Floor, System Building, 1508 Knoxville Avenue to consider matters permissible under Chapter 551 of the *Texas Government Code*, including, for example:Chairman Lewis
 - 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

- III. **Open Session:** The Board will reconvene into Open Session in the Regents Conference Room (104A), First Floor, System Building, 1508 Knoxville Avenue 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 Chairman Griffin
 - B. Report on COVID-19..... Chancellor Mitchell
 - C. Legislative Update..... Chancellor Mitchell
- IV. **Recess**Chairman Lewis

V. **Meeting of Standing Committees**
 Location: Regents Conference Room (104A), First Floor, System Building, 1508 Knoxville Avenue, Lubbock, Texas

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Lubbock, Texas

VI. Meeting of the Board—Call to Order; reconvene 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 Lewis

- A. Introductions and Recognitions Chancellor Mitchell,
President Hawkins,
President Schovanec
President Rice-Spearman, and
President Lange

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

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

- IX. 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)

- X. 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 December 11, 2021.....Chairman Lewis

 - B. Committee of the Whole..... Vice Chairman Griffin

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- 1. ASU, TTU, TTUHSC, TTUHSC El Paso, TTUSA and TTUS: Approve Consent Agenda; acknowledge review of Information Agenda 9

Consent Agenda

- a. TTU: Approve faculty development leaves of absence (ACS)
- b. TTU: Approve employee appointment to a non-elective position (ACS)
- c. TTUHSC: Approve employee appointment to non-elective position (ACS)
- d. TTU: Approve co-branding of Permian Basin Research Center in Midland (Premier Oilfield Group) and Master License Agreement (F)
- e. TTU: Approve naming of Texas Tech Plaza, Personal Financial Planning Clinic Room 305H (Amanda and Jarrod Upton Counseling Room) (F)
- f. TTUHSC El Paso: Approve naming of Texas Tech Dental Oral Health Clinic, Pediatric Dental

- Suite Room 1020 (Kemp Smith LLP Pediatric Dental Suite) (F)
- g. TTUHSC El Paso: Approve naming of Texas Tech Dental Oral Health Clinic, Pediatric Dental Suite Room 1021 (Gene and Sherri Wolf Pediatric Dental Suite) (F)
 - h. TTUHSC El Paso: Approve naming of Texas Tech Dental Oral Health Clinic, Pediatric Dental Suite Room 1024 (Care Family Pediatric Suite) (F)
 - i. ASU: Approve commissioning of police officer (FAI)
 - j. ASU: Approve electrical energy provider agreement (FAI)
 - k. TTU: Approve modification of endowment Terry and Linda Fuller Physics or Geosciences Scholarship Quasi Endowment) (FAI)
 - l. TTU: Approve acceptance of Gift-in-Kind benefitting Athletics (FAI)
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 - o. TTU: Approve consulting contract related to technology commercialization assistance and advisory support services for the Texas Tech University Office of Research Commercialization (FAI)
 - p. TTU: Approve contract extension for Texas Tech Football Defensive Coordinator (FAI)
 - q. TTUHSC: Approve modification of endowment (William P. Hale M.D. and Sue Hale Distinguished Otolaryngology Professorship Endowment) (FAI)
 - r. TTUS: Authorize a consulting agreement to provide support for advancing state and strategic initiatives (FAI)

Information Agenda

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

- (1) ASU, TTU, TTUHSC and TTUHSC El Paso: Summary of Revenues and Expenditures by Budget Category, FY 2021 (as of November 30,

2020), per Section 01.02.8.d(3)(g), *Regents' Rules* – All actual expenditures will be reviewed by the Finance and Administration 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 and TTUHSC El Paso: Contracts for ongoing and continuing health-related service relationships per Section 07.12.4.c, *Regents' Rules* – “Notwithstanding Section 07.12.3.a or 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. Before such a contract may be executed, the president shall obtain the prior review of the TTUS Office of General Counsel and the TTUS 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) TTUHSC: Consulting contracts with an initial consideration of \$25,000 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 \$25,000 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.”
- (4) TTU, TTUS 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* – Notwithstanding Section 07.12.3.a, *Regents' Rules*, the chancellor or president, 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.

- (5) TTU: Emergency or exigent circumstances approval of employment contract by Section 07.12.3.g, *Regents' Rules* –"Unless prohibited by law, when an emergency or exigent circumstances exist and it is not feasible or practical to convene a quorum of the board within the time in which action is needed, approval may be given for a contract by verbal approval of the chair or of the chair of the Finance Administration, and Investments Committee. Contracts approved in this manner shall be presented to the board as an information item at the next board meeting."

XI. Reports of Standing Committees: Standing Committee reports will be presented sequentially to the Committee of the Whole.

- A. Report of the Academic, Clinical and Student Affairs Committee.....Regent Steinmetz
- B. Report of the Audit Committee Regent Hammonds
- C. Report of the Finance, Administration, and Investments CommitteeRegent Walker

XII. The Board will continue in Open Session as the Committee of the Whole and Meeting of the Board of Regents.

- A. Schedule for Board meetings:
 - May 13-14, 2021, Lubbock
 - August 5-6, 2021, Lubbock
 - October 2021 (TBD), Lubbock
 - December 9-10, 2021, Lubbock Keino McWhinney

- B. Student Government Association ReportsKristen Kilpatrick,
Hunter Heck,
Marcus Gonzalez,
and Jessica Tom

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- A. Consideration of appropriate action, if any, on items discussed in Executive Session Vice Chairman Griffin
- B. Chairman’s AnnouncementsChairman Lewis

XV. AdjournmentChairman Lewis

**ACADEMIC,
CLINICAL AND
STUDENT AFFAIRS**

Academic, Clinical and Student Affairs Committee

Committee Meeting
February 25, 2021

Time: 2:45 pm (or upon recess of the Meeting of the Board)

Place: Regents Conference Room (104A), First Floor, System Building, 1508 Knoxville Avenue, Lubbock, Texas

Regents: Steinmetz (Chair), Kerrick, Walker,
Walterscheid (Student Regent)

Agenda

V.A. 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”), TTUS, 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: Following consideration of the above items by the committee, the Committee Chair will present the Committee Report to the full Board of Regents for its consideration on Friday, February 26, 2021.

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, effective 2021-2022 academic year, for the faculty of Angelo State University ("ASU") as listed below.

Jacqueline G. Brown, Ph.D., associate professor to professor, Department of Nursing, Archer College of Health and Human Services;

Edwin J. Cuenco, M.F.A., associate professor to professor, Department of Visual and Performing Arts, College of Arts and Humanities;

David A. Faught, Ph.D., associate professor to professor, Department of English and Modern Languages, College of Arts and Humanities;

Jeffrey D. Dailey, Ph.D., associate professor to professor, Department of Security Studies and Criminal Justice, College of Arts and Humanities;

Biqing Huang, Ph.D., associate professor to professor; Department of Accounting, Economics, and Finance, Norris-Vincent College of Business;

Adam Parker, Ph.D., associate professor to professor, Department of Kinesiology, Archer College of Health and Human Services;

Marva J. Solomon, Ph.D., associate professor to professor, Department of Teacher Education, College of Education;

Thomas W. Starkey, Jr., Ph.D., associate professor to professor, Department of Social Work, Archer College of Health and Human Services;

Cheryl Stenmark, Ph.D., associate professor to professor, Department of Psychology and Sociology, Archer College of Health and Human Services; and

Christopher Stewart, M.F.A., associate professor to professor, Department of Visual and Performing Arts, College of Arts and Humanities;

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 changes in academic rank and the granting of tenure, effective the 2021-2022 academic year, for the faculty of Angelo State University as listed below.

Leah D. Carruth, Ph.D., assistant professor to associate professor and tenure, Department of Teacher Education, College of Education;

Carlos A. Flores, Jr., Ed.D., assistant professor to associate professor and tenure, Department of Teacher Education, College of Education;

Mellisa Huffman, Ph.D., assistant professor to associate professor and tenure, Department of English and Modern Languages, College of Arts and Humanities;

Robert K. Michael, Ed.D., assistant professor to associate professor and tenure, Department of Nursing, Archer College of Health and Human Services;

Leslie Y. Rodriguez, Ph.D., assistant professor to associate professor and tenure, Department of Communication and Mass Media, College of Arts and Humanities;

Twyla J. Tasker, Ph.D., assistant professor to associate professor and tenure, Department of Curriculum and Instruction, College of Education;

Kyle W. van Ittersum, Ph.D., assistant professor to associate professor and tenure, Department of Psychology and Sociology, Archer College of Health and Human Services; and

Sonja Varbelow, Ph.D., assistant professor to associate professor and tenure, Department of Teacher Education, College of Education.

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 153. There are a total of 210 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 106.

3. TTU: Approve changes in academic rank.

Presenter: Dr. Michael Galyean

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, 2021, for the faculty of Texas Tech University as listed below.

Cristina Bradatan, Ph.D., associate professor to professor, Department of Sociology, Anthropology, and Social Work, College of Arts and Sciences.

Robert Cox, Ph.D., associate professor to professor, Department of Natural Resources Management, College of Agricultural Sciences and Natural Resources.

Kristi Gaines, Ph.D., associate professor to professor, Department of Design, College of Human Sciences.

Harvinder Gill, Ph.D., associate professor to professor, Department of Chemical Engineering, Edward E. Whitacre Jr. College of Engineering.

Jared Harrell, J.D., assistant professor of practice to associate professor of practice, Area of Finance, Rawls College of Business.

Breanna Harris, Ph.D., research assistant professor to research associate professor, Department of Biological Sciences, College of Arts and Sciences.

Keith Jones, Ph.D., associate professor to professor, Department of Psychological Sciences, College of Arts and Sciences.

Jeffrey Lastrapes, M.M., associate professor to professor, School of Music, J.T. and Margaret Talkington College of Visual and Performing Arts.

Ryan Litsey, Ph.D., associate librarian to librarian, University Libraries.

Lisa Low, M.B.A., assistant professor of practice to associate professor of practice, Department of Public Relations, College of Media and Communication.

Anita McChesney, Ph.D., assistant professor to associate professor, Department of Classical and Modern Languages and Literatures, College of Arts and Sciences.

Jorge Morales, Ph.D., associate professor to professor, Department of Chemistry and Biochemistry, College of Arts and Sciences.

Mark Morton, DMA, associate professor to professor, School of Music, J.T. and Margaret Talkington College of Visual and Performing Arts.

Joy Perrin, M.S., associate librarian to librarian, University Libraries.

Laura Beth Pleasant, J.D., assistant professor of practice to associate professor of practice, Area of Management, Rawls College of Business.

John Rayfield, Ed.D., associate professor to professor, Department of Agricultural Education and Communications, College of Agricultural Sciences and Natural Resources.

Kelly Riccitelli, Ph.D., associate professor of practice to professor of practice, Department of Animal and Food Sciences, College of Agricultural Sciences and Natural Resources.

Glen Ritchie, Ph.D., associate professor to professor, Department of Plant and Soil Science, College of Agricultural Sciences and Natural Resources.

Jyotsna Sharma, Ph.D., associate professor to professor, Department of Plant and Soil Science, College of Agricultural Sciences and Natural Resources.

Cara Speer, M.S.W., assistant professor of practice to associate professor of practice, Department of Sociology, Anthropology and Social Work, College of Arts and Sciences.

Carrye Syma, M.S., associate librarian to librarian, University Libraries.

Paola Tiedemann, Ph.D., research assistant professor to research associate professor, Department of Environmental Toxicology, College of Arts and Sciences.

Dale Woerner, Ph.D., associate professor to professor, Department of Animal and Food Sciences, College of Agricultural Sciences and Natural Resources.

Jingxue (Jessica) Yuan, Ph.D., associate professor to professor, Department of Hospitality and Retail Management, College of Human Sciences.

Michael Zahn, Ph.D., assistant professor of practice to associate professor of practice, Department of Advertising and Brand Strategy, College of Media and Communication.

Amani Zaier, Ph.D., assistant professor of practice to associate professor of practice, Department of Educational Psychology and Leadership, College of Education.

DeLong Zuo, Ph.D., associate professor to professor, Department of Civil, Environmental and Construction Engineering, Edward E. Whitacre Jr. College of Engineering.

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 promotion of qualified members of the faculty have been carefully followed.

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

Presenter: Dr. Michael Galyean

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, 2021, and the granting of tenure, effective February 26, 2021, for the faculty of Texas Tech University as listed below.

Rachel Anderson, M.F.A., assistant professor to associate professor with tenure, Department of Design, College of Human Sciences.

Kevin Banda, Ph.D., assistant professor to associate professor with tenure, Department of Political Science, College of Arts and Sciences.

Sanjit Deb, Ph.D., assistant professor to associate professor with tenure, Department of Plant and Soil Science, College of Agricultural Sciences and Natural Resources.

Dongping Du, Ph.D., assistant professor to associate professor with tenure, Department of Industrial, Manufacturing, and Systems Engineering, Edward E. Whitacre Jr. College of Engineering.

Courtney Gibson, Ph.D., assistant professor to associate professor with tenure, Department of Agricultural Education and Communications, College of Agricultural Sciences and Natural Resources.

Rachel Hirshorn-Johnston, M.F.A., assistant professor to associate professor with tenure, School of Theatre and Dance, J.T. and Margaret Talkington College of Visual and Performing Arts.

Joe Hodes, Ph.D., assistant professor to associate professor with tenure, Honors College.

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

Brendan Kelly, Ph.D., assistant professor to associate professor with tenure, Department of Plant and Soil Science, College of Agricultural Sciences and Natural Resources.

Sheima Khatib, Ph.D., assistant professor to associate professor with tenure, Department of Chemical Engineering, Edward E. Whitacre Jr. College of Engineering.

Ersela Kripa, M.S., assistant professor to associate professor with tenure, Department of Architecture, College of Architecture.

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

Michael Latham, Ph.D., assistant professor to associate professor with tenure, Department of Chemistry and Biochemistry, College of Arts and Sciences.

Richard Lutjens, Ph.D., assistant professor to associate professor with tenure, Department of History, College of Arts and Sciences.

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

Angela Peace, Ph.D., assistant professor to associate professor with tenure, Department of Mathematics and Statistics, College of Arts and Sciences.

Michelle Pearson, Ph.D., assistant professor to associate professor with tenure, Department of Design, College of Human Sciences.

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

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

Joel Sievert, Ph.D., assistant professor to associate professor with tenure, Department of Political Science, College of Arts and Sciences.

Julie Smit, Ph.D., assistant professor to associate professor with tenure, Department of Curriculum and Instruction, College of Education.

Grant Tinsley, Ph.D., assistant professor to associate professor with tenure, Department of Kinesiology and Sport Management, College of Arts and Sciences.

Blair Williams, Ph.D., assistant professor to associate professor with tenure, School of Music, J.T. and Margaret Talkington College of Visual and Performing Arts.

Jingjing Wu, M.L.I.S., assistant librarian to associate librarian with tenure, University Libraries.

Changxue Xu, Ph.D., assistant professor to associate professor with tenure, Department of Industrial, Manufacturing, and Systems Engineering, Edward E. Whitacre Jr. College of Engineering.

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

Fangyuan Zhang, Ph.D., assistant professor to associate professor with tenure, Department of Mathematics and Statistics, College of Arts and Sciences.

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 promotion and tenure of qualified members of the faculty have been carefully followed.

Approval of these individuals along with those on listed on page ACS-13 will bring the number of full-time tenured faculty at Texas Tech University to 826. There are 1,149 full-time tenured and tenure-track faculty. After these appointments, the percentage of tenure-track faculty who have been awarded tenure will be 71.8%, and tenured faculty represent 44.1% of all faculty (including part-time). Together, tenured and tenure-track faculty represent 61.5% of all faculty, and 72.3% of all full-time faculty.

5. TTU: Approve granting of tenure.

Presenter: Dr. Michael Galyean

Presentation Time: 2 minutes

Board approval required by: Section 04.02, Regents' Rules; TTU Operating Policy 32.17

RECOMMENDATION

The president recommends and the chancellor concurs that the Board of Regents approve the granting of tenure, effective February 26, 2021, to the faculty of Texas Tech University as listed below.

Jeasik Cho, Ph.D., associate professor, Department of Curriculum and Instruction, College of Education.

Jan Halamek, Ph.D., associate professor, Department of Environmental Toxicology, College of Arts and Sciences.

Degeng Wang, Ph.D., associate professor, Department of Environmental Toxicology, College of Arts and Sciences.

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 academic 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 those listed on pages ACS-10 through ACS-12 will bring the number of full-time tenured faculty at Texas Tech University to 826. There are 1,149 full-time tenured and tenure-track faculty. After these appointments, the percentage of tenure-track faculty who have been awarded tenure will be 71.8%, and tenured faculty represent 44.1% of all faculty (including part-time). Together, tenured and tenure-track faculty represent 61.5% of all faculty, and 72.3% of all full-time faculty.

6. **TTU: Approve designation of Horn Distinguished Professorships.**

Presenter: Dr. Michael Galyean

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 Horn Distinguished Professor to the faculty members of Texas Tech University, effective February 26, 2021, as listed below.

Katharine Hayhoe, Ph.D., Endowed Professor in Public Policy and Public Law in the Public Administration program, Department of Political Science, College of Arts and Sciences, and Co-director of the Climate Center at Texas Tech University

Dr. Hayhoe joined Texas Tech University in 2001 as a Research Associate Professor in the Department of Geosciences. She then moved to the Department of Political Science in 2011 as an Associate Professor and was promoted to Professor in 2017. Dr. Hayhoe's research on developing and applying high-resolution climate projections to evaluate impacts of future climate variations on the Earth that impact life and the abiotic environment, have made her one of the world's leading voices on climate change. The impact of her research and outreach nationally and across the globe is a testament to the quality and enduring influence of her work. She has been recognized as one of "The World's 50 Greatest Leaders" (Fortune), listed among "100 Global Thinkers" (Foreign Policy), "The 50 List: Key Thinkers, Doers, and Visionaries Reshaping American Politics" (Politico), and "The 100 Most Influential People in The World" (Time). This recognition derives from her scholarly record of over 85 publications and 17,000 citations in leading scientific journals, and numerous presentations across the globe. External funding to support her research exceeds \$9.9 million. Her national service includes chairing the Advisory Council for the Earth Science Women's Network and membership on the Smithsonian National Museum of Natural History's Anthropocene Advisory Council. She has participated in interviews with ABC, CBS, BBC, CNN, CBN/The 700 Club, Fox, Discovery Channel, NBC, and PBS, among others. She has been profiled in the *NY Times*, the *Washington Post*, *Texas Monthly*, *Maclean's*, the *National Post*, and the *Bulletin of Atomic Scientists*. She was interviewed and quoted in *The New York Times* as recently as September 22, 2020.

Naïma Moustaid-Moussa, Ph.D., Professor, Department of Nutritional Sciences and Director of the Texas Tech Obesity Research Institute

Dr. Moustaid-Moussa joined Texas Tech as a professor in the Department of Nutritional Sciences in 2012. Since that time, she has made a significant impact. In 2013, she became the founding director of the Texas Tech Obesity Research

Cluster, which was approved as the Obesity Research Institute (“ORI”) in 2019 by the TTU Board of Regents. The ORI is an extremely successful interdisciplinary research partnership with significant cross-campus involvement by faculty from TTU, TTUHSC, and other national and international collaborators. Dr. Moustaid-Moussa's leadership has spearheaded the success of this institute as it facilitates national and international research efforts. Before coming to Texas Tech, Dr. Moustaid-Moussa was a professor and director of the Obesity Research Center at the University of Tennessee. She is an outstanding and highly regarded researcher, colleague, mentor, and educator with more than 150 refereed publications in high-impact journals and book chapters. In addition, Dr. Moustaid-Moussa's national and international presentations are a testament to the impact of her research including lectures at Korean Academy for Sciences and Technology, University of Sao Paulo, and Columbia University. Dr. Moustaid-Moussa is very active in professional organizations including the American Society for Nutrition, the Obesity Society, American Heart Association, and the prestigious NIH Cellular Integrative Diabetes and Obesity study section. She was honored by Texas Tech University with a 2020 Barnie E. Rushing, Jr. Outstanding Researcher Award, the 2018-2021 Presidential Excellence in Research Professorship, and the 2019 Outstanding Faculty Mentor for Undergraduate Research from the Center for Transformative Undergraduate Experiences (TrUE). Her national and international awards include the Korean Nutrition Society Award, elected Director-at-Large to the American Society for Nutrition (ASN), Pfizer Nutritional Sciences Consumer Healthcare Award, and the American Heart Association's Established Investigator Award.

John Poch, Ph.D., Professor, Department of English, College of Arts and Sciences

Dr. Poch arrived at Texas Tech University as an Assistant Professor in 2001, was promoted to Associate Professor with tenure in 2006, and was named Professor in 2010. His body of work since 1998 has been nothing short of prodigious. He is the author of twelve books and almost 200 poems. The diversity of topics that are his "subjects" and the outlets for his poems are in large measure, the reason for his broad appeal and recognition. Two of his books have earned him recognition for outstanding achievement: *Two Men Fighting with a Knife* (2008) won the Donald Justice Award and *Fix Quiet* (2015), received the New Criterion poetry Prize. The Donald Justice Award is granted to one individual in the US each year. Other prizes for his work that reflect on his national acclaim include the Dorothy Sargent Rosenberg Poetry Prize, the Colgate Creative Writing Fellowship, The Nation/Discovery Prize, Foley Poetry Prize, and recently the Everett Southwest Prize for his short story collection. His works published in highly valued venues such as *Poetry*, *The Nation*, *Orion*, *Agni*, *The New Republic*, *Yale Review*, *Harvard Review*, and *Paris Review* are a tribute to the caliber of his work. His poems have been re-published in eighteen different poetry anthologies. Dr. Poch has worked with writers, musicians, poets, printmakers, and sculptors. His most recent, including a blending of poetry and photographs of Texas with Texas

Tech's own Jerod Foster, and a documentary on which he partners with TTU's Emmy award winner, Paul Hunton, is emblematic of his scholarly breadth. Dr. Poch was a Fulbright Core Scholar at the University of Barcelona. His translations of the Spanish poet Enrique Barrero Rodríguez have appeared in ten different American journals. Since 2015, he has been invited on three occasions to teach at the international poetry conference, Convivio, in Postignano, Italy. He has also been a full fellowship recipient to Fundación Valparaíso, a writing residency program in Mojácar, Spain, to write for a month.

[NOTE: The complete list of current Horn Professors is included as a supplemental attachment to the agenda book.]

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 92 members of the faculty to Horn Distinguished Professorships. Currently, 24 are on the faculty.

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.

7. **TTU: Approve emeritus appointments.**

Presenter: Dr. Michael Galyean

Presentation Time: 2 minutes

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

RECOMMENDATION

The president recommends and the chancellor concurs that the Board of Regents grant emeritus status to the individuals listed below:

Birney, David	Professor of Chemistry and Biochemistry, College of Arts and Sciences (31 years)
Epkins, Catherine	Associate Professor of Psychological Sciences, College of Arts and Sciences (26 years)
Estreicher, Stefan	Horn Distinguished Professor of Physics and Astronomy, College of Arts and Sciences (34 years)
Howell, Roy	Professor of Marketing, Rawls College of Business (38 years)
Killian, Janice	Professor of Music, J.T. and Margaret Talkington College of Visual and Performing Arts (18 years)
McCool, Barent	Associate Professor Nutrition, Hospitality and Retailing, College of Human Sciences (12 years)
Paschall, Freedonia	Archivist, Southwest Collection/Special Collections Library (30 years)
Segarra, Eduardo	Professor of Agricultural and Applied Economics, College of Agricultural Sciences and Natural Resources (32 years)
Shinn, Alan	Professor of Music, J.T. and Margaret Talkington College of Visual and Performing Arts (37 years)
Smith, Milton	Professor of Industrial Engineering, Edward E. Whitacre, Jr. College of Engineering (55 years)

Wallace, Mark	Professor of Natural Resources Management, College of Agricultural Sciences and Natural Resources (24 years)
West, Charles "Chuck"	Professor, Plant and Soil Sciences, College of Agricultural Sciences and Natural Resources (8 years)
Westney, William	Horn Distinguished Professor of Music, J.T. and Margaret Talkington College of Visual and Performing Arts (42 years)
Whittlesey, Bruce	Associate Professor of Chemistry and Biochemistry, College of Arts and Sciences (33 years)
Wigmans, Richard	Professor of Physics and Astronomy, College of Arts and Sciences (28 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.

8. TTU: Authorize modification of the Board Policy on Seals of the Texas Tech University System and approve the Seal of the School of Veterinary Medicine.

Presenter: Dr. Michael Galyean

Presentation Time: 5 minutes

Board approval required by: Section 12.07, *Regents' Rules*

RECOMMENDATION

The president recommends and the chancellor concurs that the Board of Regents (i) approve a seal for the Texas Tech University ("TTU") School of Veterinary Medicine ("SVM"); and (ii) authorize the Board Secretary to implement the appropriate corresponding changes in the *Board Policy Statement on Seals of the Texas Tech University System* ("Seals policy statement") and update the associated references in the *Regents' Rules*.

The proposed new official seal of TTU SVM would be as follows:



The seal contains the following elements that collectively refer to veterinary medicine:

- Staff of Aesculapius as a symbol of healing and medicine;
- The letter V in reference to veterinary medicine; and
- The year in which the THECB added the SVM to the Institutional Administrative Structure of Texas Tech University.

BACKGROUND INFORMATION

On August 9, 2013, the Board of Regents created the Seals policy statement by off-loading from Chapter 12 (Honorifics & Seals), *Regents' Rules*, most of the details regarding the official seals and seal variations for each entity within the Texas Tech University System. Section 12.07, *Regents' Rules*, continues to address the approval process for official seals along with the purposes for which such seals may be used. The Seals policy statement then provides illustrations of the seals that are authorized for official use as well as the manner in which various seal combinations may be used.

The THECB added the SVM to the Institutional Administrative Structure of Texas Tech University in 2018, and subsequently approved the Doctor of Veterinary Medicine degree in 2019. After being granted a Letter of Reasonable Assurance by the American Veterinary Medical Association Council on Education in September 2020, the TTU SVM has initiated its admissions process to matriculate its inaugural class in 2021.

9. TTU: Approve Bachelor of Science (“B.S.”) Degree in Honors Sciences & the Humanities (“HSH”).

Presenter: Dr. Michael Galyean

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.”) in Honors Sciences & the Humanities (“HSH”), offered in the Honors College, 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 Commission on Colleges for acknowledgement of a new degree program.

BACKGROUND INFORMATION

In February 2020, the Honors College officially changed the title of its Bachelor of Arts degree in Honors Arts and Letters (“BA HAL”) to the Bachelor of Arts degree in Honors Sciences and the Humanities (“BA HSH”). The current proposal is to offer, in addition to the BA HSH, a Bachelor of Science in Honors Sciences and the Humanities (“BS HSH”). The TTU Honors College, one of the very few independent Honors Colleges at a research university and one of the very few that offers its own in-house major, has been working to reconceptualize, modernize, and re-brand HAL for the 21st century, a traditional liberal arts degree, with its strong emphasis on the humanities. By doing so, the college seeks to support the intellectual and practical space in which the STEM fields are an exploration of the humanistic pursuits, and to reaffirm the integrity of the humanities as a driving force in human innovation and invention. Part of that rebranding included a name change from Honors Arts and Letters to Honors Sciences and the Humanities.

Students pursuing the existing BA HSH have three concentrations to choose from: Environmental Sciences and the Humanities, Humanities Driven STEM, and Philosophy, Politics, Economics, and the Law. By adding the Bachelor of Science in Honors Sciences and the Humanities, students will have the option to pursue a concentration in Medicine, Global Health, and the Humanities. This degree is designed for students who are interested in pursuing a broad and challenging course of study that will prepare them for a variety of careers and a lifetime of active citizenship. The degree encourages Honors students in pre-medical school and pre-health career programs (e.g., nursing school, physician’s assistant studies, healthcare administration) to broaden their educational experiences to become more competitive applicants to professional and graduate schools and eventually more employable professionals. Through a profound

exploration of the intersections between health, healing, and the humanities, graduates will be able to better communicate the compassion, creativity, and innovation of scientific thinking in humanistic terms.

There currently exists only a few programs in the state that have missions or foci similar to the new proposed degree program: the Bachelor of Arts degree in Medical Humanities at the University of Texas at San Antonio and a Honors Biomedical Sciences major at the University of Houston. In addition, Baylor University and the University of Texas at Austin have both developed majors that bring together the sciences and the humanities at the undergraduate level. With so few universities in the state offering such programs to Honors-caliber students, and with the need for students possessing such an academic foundation to make the transition to medical schools and other health occupations, the BS degree in HSH in the TTU Honors College would meet a critical need currently not being fully met in the state.

Medical, nursing, and professional health schools cite well-roundedness, intellectual curiosity, empathy, communication, and interpersonal skills as desirable features in their prospective students. A limited number of medical humanities programs, not specifically catered to Honors students, exist at peer public institutions elsewhere in the nation (Syracuse University, the University of Nebraska at Omaha, and Indiana University-Purdue University Indianapolis). The University of Oklahoma offers a medical humanities scholars program. With the desired applicant profile of professional health schools and the lack of similar programs, the demand exists with high-achieving medical and health profession students for a B.S. degree in Honors Sciences and the Humanities in the Texas Tech University ("TTU") TTU Honors College.

On a national level, there is a critical need for qualified professionals in most health fields with a heightened demand for physicians in the predominately rural areas of Texas. Over 90% of counties served by TTU are overwhelmingly rural and designated by the state as partly or completely medically underserved. In addition to these quantitative variables, there is a corresponding demand for well-prepared physicians who are able not only to diagnose symptoms and treat illnesses, but communicate effectively, critically analyze symptoms, and understand dynamics that may supersede adherence to generalized protocols, such as cultural norms and socioeconomic status. The BS degree in HSH combines the sciences and the humanities to uniquely equip students to be the future doctors and health professionals having the potential to qualitatively address these needs in the job market. The table below depicts program enrollment projections calculated from estimating a new cohort of 10-20 students and attrition of 2-4 students every year, and 10 graduates at end of Year 4.

	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5
New Students	10	11	13	16	20
Cumulative Headcount	10	19	30	43	50
FTSE	10	19	30	43	50
Attrition	2	2	3	3	4
Graduates	0	0	0	10	15

Projected costs and funding are shown in the following table. No additional faculty or staff members are expected to be needed in the first five years of offering the new program. Existing facilities and equipment are adequate to support the program with no additional costs. Considering reallocated time of some of the college's faculty and staff, the total costs of the new program in five years are estimated to be \$1,160,220. Anticipated new formula funding, institutional tuition and fees, and funding from a National Endowment of the Humanities grant (Other in the table) indicate a projected total revenue of \$1,501,517.

Five-Year Costs		Five-Year Funding	
Personnel	\$1,160,220*	Reallocated Funds	\$0
Facilities and Equipment	\$0	Anticipated New Formula Funding	\$178,861
Library, Supplies, and Materials	\$0	Designated Tuition and Fees	\$1,287,656
Other	\$0	Other	\$35,000
Total Costs	\$1,160,220	Total Funding	\$1,501,517

*Reallocated from existing personnel.

10. **TTU: Approve PhD degree in One Health Sciences.**

Presenter: Michael L. Galyean

Presentation Time: 2 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, Ph.D. in One Health Sciences, offered in the School of Veterinary Medicine (“SVM”), 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 Commission on Colleges for acknowledgement of a new degree program.

BACKGROUND INFORMATION

The term *One Health* represents the interconnection of human, animal, and ecosystem health. The current COVID-19 pandemic provides a top-of-mind example of this interconnection in that the pandemic is believed to have resulted from the spillover to people of a novel coronavirus (“SARS-CoV-2”) from bats that are home to a southern Chinese ecosystem. Other examples include *Salmonella* in livestock and human populations, use of dogs as an adjunct therapy in the treatment of veterans with PTSD, hippotherapy, or the study of comparative oncology.

The proposed Ph.D. in One Health Sciences will be the first of its kind in the US and just the third globally. This will provide Texas Tech University (“TTU”) with unique opportunities to develop research programs that include various TTU colleges and schools, as well as the Texas Tech University Health Sciences Center (“TTUHSC”) and other Texas Tech University System (“TTUS”) institutions. It also provides unique opportunities to recruit students and world-class scholars.

The proposal has received necessary approvals from the Graduate Council and Academic Council of Texas Tech University. To date, the growing SVM has more than two dozen full-time faculty (including administrators), as well as supporting staff. The average faculty effort distribution to research is approximately 40%. The subject matter expertise and number of faculty hired to deliver the Doctor of Veterinary Medicine degree are sufficient to implement the proposed Ph.D. in One Health Sciences. In addition, faculty will be added to the School as it grows to an ultimate faculty size of approximately 70 over the next 5 years.

Initial revenue support for research activities has been provided in faculty start-up packages. Additional revenue will be sought through extramural grants and

contracts from federal and state granting agencies, private industry, and gifts restricted toward research. Faculty of the SVM have already received grants and contracts from NIH, CDC, and USDA, as well as gifts in support of research. In addition, TTU was awarded a 4-year, \$1.4 million CPRIT grant to recruit a specific faculty member, which it successfully accomplished.

To be accredited by the American Veterinary Medical Association (AVMA) Council on Education, SVM faculty are required to be research active. The proposed One Health Sciences doctoral program, the first in the US, is the mechanism through which SVM faculty will be research active. Therefore, the costs for personnel and facilities, equipment, and supplies are already budgeted in the Doctor of Veterinary Medicine program and are not included in the One Health Sciences budget.

Table 1. Five-year estimated costs and funding for the Ph.D. in One Health Sciences

Five-year costs		Five-year funding	
Personnel		Anticipated new formula funding	\$5,339,000
Graduate student stipends	\$8,676,000	Designated tuition and fees	\$451,000
Facilities, equipment, and supplies		Other*	\$2,905,000
Other			
Total costs	\$8,676,000	Total funding	\$8,695,000

*Other funding is School and Institutional commitments to faculty start-up funds specifically to cover stipend and related expenses associated with graduate students (such as graduate tuition and fee waivers and exemptions per TTU OP 62.40). These commitments are articulated in each faculty member's letter of appointment. Sources of these funds include non-formula funds such as NRUF, RDF, and the TTU SVM exceptional item.

Table 2. Five-year estimated enrollment figures for the Ph.D. in One Health Sciences

Year	1	2	3	4	5
Headcount	25	37	51	58	63
FTSE	25	37	51	58	63
Attrition	0	0	2	3	4
Graduates	N/A	N/A	10	15	15

11. **TTUHSC: Approve changes in academic rank.**

Presenter: Dr. Lori Rice-Spearman

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, 2021, for the faculty as listed below.

Tenured Faculty:

Katie Bennett, Ph.D., MB(ASCP)^{CM}, NRCC-CC, associate professor to professor, Department of Laboratory Sciences & Primary Care, School of Health Professions

Sue Ann Lee, Ph.D., CCC-SLP, associate professor to professor, Department of Speech, Language & Hearing Sciences, School of Health Professions

Pablo Artigas, Ph.D., associate professor to professor, Department of Cell Physiology & Molecular Biophysics, School of Medicine

Vardan Karamyan, Ph.D., associate professor to professor, Department of Pharmaceutical Sciences, Jerry H. Hodge School of Pharmacy

Tenure Track Faculty:

Duke Appiah, Ph.D., M.P.H., assistant professor to associate professor, Department of Public Health, Graduate School of Biomedical Sciences

Non-Tenure Track Faculty:

Taylor Eaves, MB(ASCP)^{CM}, MS, instructor to assistant professor, Department of Laboratory Sciences & Primary Care, School of Health Professions

Kathryn Panasci, DPT, CWS, CBIS, PT, assistant professor to associate professor, Department of Rehabilitation Sciences, School of Health Professions

Jenda Arawiran, M.D., assistant professor to associate professor, Department of Pediatrics, School of Medicine

Kishor Bhende, M.D., assistant professor to associate professor, Department of Pediatrics, School of Medicine

Audra Bowman, M.D., assistant professor to associate professor,
Department of Pediatrics, School of Medicine

Ngozi Eboh, M.D., assistant professor to associate professor, Department
of Pediatrics, School of Medicine

Chuck Giles, Ph.D., assistant professor to associate professor,
Department of Psychiatry, School of Medicine

Catherine Jones, M.D., assistant professor to associate professor,
Department of Internal Medicine, School of Medicine

Brendan MacKay, M.D., assistant professor to associate professor,
Department of Orthopaedic Surgery & Rehabilitation, School of
Medicine

Lee David Moore, M.D., assistant professor to associate professor,
Department of Obstetrics & Gynecology, School of Medicine

Tarek Naguib, M.D., associate professor to professor, Department of
Internal Medicine, School of Medicine

Prem Nair, M.D., assistant professor to associate professor, Department
of Internal Medicine, School of Medicine

Muhammad Nazim, M.D., associate professor to professor, Department of
Surgery, School of Medicine

Bethany Nunez, M.D., assistant professor to associate professor,
Department of Pediatrics, School of Medicine

Michal Pankratz, M.D., assistant professor to associate professor,
Department of Pediatrics, School of Medicine

Drew Payne, D.O., assistant professor to associate professor, Department
of Internal Medicine, School of Medicine

Lisa Pomeroy, M.D., assistant professor to associate professor,
Department of Pediatrics, School of Medicine

Robyn Richmond, M.D., assistant professor to associate professor,
Department of Surgery, School of Medicine

Bettina Schmitz, M.D., Ph.D., associate professor to professor,
Department of Anesthesiology, School of Medicine

Vani Selvan, M.D., assistant professor to associate professor, Department of Family & Community Medicine, School of Medicine

Pranav Sharma, M.D., assistant professor to associate professor, Department of Urology, School of Medicine

Charles Thompson, M.D., assistant professor to associate professor, Department of Obstetrics & Gynecology, School of Medicine

James Walker, M.D., assistant professor to associate professor, Department of Internal Medicine, School of Medicine

Steven Branham, Ph.D., ACNP-BC, FNP-BC, associate professor to professor, Graduate Program, School of Nursing

Mary Annette Butler, RN, Ph.D., PMHNP-BC, assistant professor to associate professor, Non-Traditional Program, School of Nursing

Deborah Casaus, M.S.N., RN, PCCN, instructor to assistant professor, Traditional Program, School of Nursing

Rebecca Clark, M.S.N, RN-BC, instructor to assistant professor, Traditional Program, School of Nursing

Kimber Cockerell, M.S.N., RN, CPN, instructor to assistant professor, Non-Traditional Program, School of Nursing

Karen Esquibel, Ph.D., APRN, CPNP-PC, associate professor to professor, Graduate Program, School of Nursing

Rebecca Geist, D.N.P., RN, PHNA-BC, assistant professor to associate professor, Non-Traditional Program, School of Nursing

Erin Gibson, Ph.D., RN, CCRN-K, assistant professor to associate professor, Traditional Program, School of Nursing

Shonna Harris, M.S.N., RN, APRN, FNP-C, instructor to assistant professor, Non-Traditional Program, School of Nursing

Donna Paris, D.N.P, RN, CCRN-K, CNE, assistant professor to associate professor, Traditional Program, School of Nursing

Brandi Sawyer, M.S.N., RN, CCRN-K, instructor to assistant professor, Traditional Program, School of Nursing

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Graduate Program, School of Nursing

Trista Bailey, Pharm.D., BCGP, BCPS, FASCP, assistant professor to
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Hodge School of Pharmacy

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Monica Mathys, Pharm.D., BCGP, BCPP, associate professor to
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Pharmacy

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.

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

Presenter: Dr. Lori Rice-Spearman

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, 2021, and the granting of tenure, effective February 26, 2021, to the faculty as listed below.

Jeff Dennis, Ph.D., assistant professor to associate professor and tenure, Department of Public Health, Graduate School of Biomedical Sciences

Tammy Carter, Ph.D., MT(ASCP), MB(ASCP)^{CM}, assistant professor to associate professor and tenure, Department of Laboratory Sciences & Primary Care, School of Health Professions

David Schroeder, Ph.D., CRC, assistant professor to associate professor and tenure, Department of Clinical Counseling & Mental Health, School of Health Professions

Franklyn Babb, M.D., associate professor to professor and tenure, Department of Family & Community Medicine, School of Medicine

Ebtesam Islam, M.D., Ph.D., assistant professor to associate professor and tenure, Department of Internal Medicine, School of Medicine

Andrey Karamyshev, Ph.D., assistant professor to associate professor and tenure, Department of Cell Biology & Biochemistry, School of Medicine

Abraham Al-Ahmad, Ph.D., assistant professor to associate professor and tenure, Department of Pharmaceutical Sciences, Jerry H. Hodge School of Pharmacy

Nadezhda German, Ph.D., assistant professor to associate professor and tenure, Department of Pharmaceutical Sciences, Jerry H. Hodge School of Pharmacy

Constantinos Mikelis, Ph.D., assistant professor to associate professor and tenure, Department of Pharmaceutical Sciences, Jerry H. Hodge School of Pharmacy

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 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 at this Board of Regents meeting for these individuals and the individuals listed on page ACS-32 brings the number of tenured faculty in all academic schools of the Health Sciences Center to 163. There are a total of 220 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 74.1 percent. The number of faculty that is non-tenure track is 543.

13. TTUHSC: Approve granting of tenure.

Presenter: Dr. Lori Rice-Spearman

Presentation Time: 1 minutes

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

The president recommends and the chancellor concurs that the Board of Regents approve the granting of tenure, effective February 26, 2021, to the faculty as listed below.

Hongjun Liang, Ph.D., associate professor, Department of Cell Physiology & Molecular Biophysics, School of Medicine

David Trotter, Ph.D., associate professor, Department of Family & Community Medicine, School of Medicine

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 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 at this Board of Regents meeting for these individuals and the individuals listed on page ACS-30 brings the number of tenured faculty in all academic schools of the Health Sciences Center to 163. There are a total of 220 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 74.1 percent. The number of faculty that is non-tenure track is 543.

14. 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, 2021, to the Texas Tech University Health Sciences Center at El Paso faculty as listed below.

Tenured Faculty:

Laxman Gangwani, Ph.D., associate professor to professor, Department of Molecular and Translational Medicine, Paul L. Foster School of Medicine

Tanis Hogg, Dr. rer. nat., associate professor to professor, Department of Medical Education, Paul L. Foster School of Medicine

Tenure Track Faculty:

Munmun Chattopadhyay, Ph.D., assistant professor to associate professor, Department of Molecular and Translational Medicine, Paul L. Foster School of Medicine

Alberto Maud, M.D., associate professor to professor, Department of Neurology, Paul L. Foster School of Medicine

Cynthia Perry, Ph.D., assistant professor to associate professor, Department of Medical Education, Paul L. Foster School of Medicine

Jennifer Salinas, Ph.D., assistant professor to associate professor, Department of Molecular and Translational Medicine, Paul L. Foster School of Medicine

Non-Tenure Track Faculty:

Jessica Calderon-Mora, Dr.P.H., research instructor to research assistant professor, Department of Molecular and Translational Medicine, Paul L. Foster School of Medicine

Sadhana Chheda, M.D., assistant professor to associate professor, Department of Pediatrics, Paul L. Foster School of Medicine

Jose Gavito-Higuera, M.D., assistant professor to associate professor,
Department of Radiology, Paul L. Foster School of Medicine

Gilberto Gonzalez-Trevizo, M.D., assistant professor to associate
professor, Department of Orthopaedic Surgery and Rehabilitation,
Paul L. Foster School of Medicine

Darine Kassar, M.D., assistant professor to associate professor,
Department of Neurology, Paul L. Foster School of Medicine

Antonio Mendoza-Ladd, M.D., assistant professor to associate professor,
Department of Internal Medicine, Paul L. Foster School of Medicine

Laura Rodriguez, M.S.N., R.N., instructor to assistant professor, Gayle
Greve Hunt School of Nursing

Ahmed Thabet-Hagag, M.D., assistant professor to associate professor,
Department of Orthopaedic Surgery and Rehabilitation, Paul L. Foster
School of Medicine

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.

AUDIT

Audit Committee

Committee Meeting
February 25, 2021

Time: 3:15 pm (or upon adjournment of the Academic, Clinical and Students Affairs Committee meeting)

Place: Regents Conference Room (104A), First Floor, System Building, 1508 Knoxville Avenue, Lubbock, Texas

Regents: Hammonds (Chair), Kerrick, Womble

Agenda

V.B. 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”), TTUS, 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: Following consideration of the above item by the committee, the Committee Chair will present the Committee Report to the full Board of Regents for its consideration on Friday, February 26, 2021.

1. TTUS: Report on audits.

Presenter: Mrs. Kim Turner

Presentation Time: 10 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.

**FINANCE,
ADMINISTRATION,
AND INVESTMENTS**

Finance, Administration, and Investments Committee

Committee Meeting
February 25, 2021

Time: 3:30 pm (or upon adjournment of the Facilities Committee meeting)

Place: Regents Conference Room (104A), First Floor, System Building, 1508 Knoxville Avenue, Lubbock, Texas

Regents: Walker (Chair), Long, Womble

Agenda

V.C. Consideration of items to be recommended by the Finance and Administration Committee to the Board of Regents of the Texas Tech University System (“TTUS”) for and on behalf of Angelo State University (“ASU”), TTUS, 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: Following consideration of the above items by the committee, the Committee Chair will present the Committee Report to the full Board of Regents for its consideration on Friday, February 26, 2021.

1. **TTU: Authorize negotiations with vendor for bookstore operations.**

Presenter: Noel Sloan

Presentation Time: 3 minutes

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

RECOMMENDATION

The president recommends and the chancellor concurs that the Board of Regents authorize the president or his designee to enter into negotiations and execute a contract for campus bookstore operations on the Texas Tech University ("TTU") campus.

BACKGROUND INFORMATION

TTU issued a Request for Proposal ("RFP") on November 4, 2020 seeking competitive proposals from vendors with experience in campus bookstore operations. We have begun the process to select the most qualified vendor who possesses the best overall value to TTU.

It is expected that the new contract will be effective July 1, 2021 or upon final execution of the contract between the parties.

Section 07.12.3.a., *Regents' Rules*, requires Board approval on contracts that involve a state or implied consideration in excess of \$1,000,000.

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 four years.

2. TTUS: FY 2020 Combined Annual Financial Report.

Presenter: Mr. Gary Barnes

Presentation Time: 10 minutes

Report requested by: Audit Committee Charter

Mr. Gary Barnes, Vice Chancellor and CFO, TTUS, will present a report on the FY 2020 combined annual financial statements of the TTU System.

3. TTUS: Investment Performance Update

Presenter: Mr. Gary Barnes
Report requested by: Board of Regents.

Presentation Time: 10 minutes

Mr. Gary Barnes, Vice Chancellor and CFO, TTUS, will provide an update on the performance of TTUS investments.

**MEETING OF THE
BOARD &
COMMITTEE OF
THE WHOLE**

Meeting of the Board

Thursday, February 25, 2021

Time: 11:10 am

Place: Regents Conference Room (104A), First Floor, System Building, 1508 Knoxville Avenue, Lubbock, Texas

Agenda

Board of Trustees of the Carr Scholarship Foundation: This meeting will take place no earlier than 11:00 am; refer to agenda provided by the Chief Financial Officer's Office

Location: Regents Conference Room (104A), First Floor, System Building, 1508 Knoxville Avenue, Lubbock, Texas

- I. **Meeting of the Board—Call to Order; reconvene into Open Session of the Board**Chairman Lewis
- II. **Executive Session:** The Board may convene into Executive Session in the Regents Committee Room (106), First Floor, System Building, 1508 Knoxville Avenue to consider matters permissible under Chapter 551 of the *Texas Government Code*, including, for example:Chairman Lewis
 - 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

III. Open Session: The Board will reconvene in Open Session in the Regents Conference Room (104A), First Floor, System Building, 1508 Knoxville Avenue 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 Chairman Griffin
- B. Report on COVID-19..... Chancellor Mitchell
- C. Legislative Update..... Chancellor Mitchell

IV. RecessChairman Lewis

V. Meeting of Standing Committees: Conducted sequentially and separately from the Meeting of the Board beginning upon recess of the Meeting of the Board at approximately 2:45 pm—refer to agenda for each respective committee meeting.

Location: Regents Conference Room (104A), First Floor, System Building, 1508 Knoxville Avenue, Lubbock, Texas

Meeting of the Board
Friday, February 26, 2021

Time: 8:30 am

Place: Regents Conference Room (104A), First Floor, System Building, 1508
Knoxville Avenue, Lubbock, Texas

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- VI. Meeting of the Board—Call to Order; reconvene into Open Session of the Board**Chairman Lewis
 - A. Introductions and Recognitions Chancellor Mitchell,
President Hawkins,
President Schovanec
President Rice-Spearman, and
President Lange
- VII. Recess** (if necessary, for standing committees to meet; otherwise continue in Open Session (X.)).....Chairman Lewis
- VIII. Meeting of Standing Committees** (if not concluded on Thursday)
- IX. 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)
- X. 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 December 10, 2021.....Chairman Lewis
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Information Agenda

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

- (1) ASU, TTU, TTUHSC and TTUHSC El Paso: Summary of Revenues and Expenditures by Budget Category, FY 2021 (as of November 30, 2020), per Section 01.02.8.d(3)(g), *Regents' Rules* – All actual expenditures will be reviewed by the Finance and Administration 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 and TTUHSC El Paso: Contracts for ongoing and continuing health-related service relationships per Section 07.12.4.c, *Regents' Rules* – “Notwithstanding Section 07.12.3.a or 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. Before such a contract may be executed, the president shall obtain the prior review of the TTUS Office of General Counsel and the TTUS 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) TTUHSC: Consulting contracts with an initial consideration of \$25,000 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 \$25,000 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.”
- (4) TTU, TTUS 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* – Notwithstanding Section 07.12.3.a, *Regents' Rules*, the chancellor or president, 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.
- (5) TTU: Emergency or exigent circumstances approval of employment contract by Section 07.12.3.g, *Regents' Rules* – “Unless prohibited by law, when an emergency or exigent circumstances exist and it is not feasible or practical to convene a quorum of the board within the time in which action is needed, approval may be given for a contract by verbal approval of the chair or of the chair of the Finance Administration, and Investments Committee. Contracts approved in this manner shall be presented to the board as an information item at the next board meeting.”

- XI. Reports of Standing Committees:** Standing Committee reports will be presented sequentially to the Committee of the Whole.
- A. Report of the Academic, Clinical and Student Affairs Committee.....Regent Steinmetz
 - B. Report of the Audit Committee Regent Hammonds
 - C. Report of the Finance and Administration Committee.....Regent Walker
- XII. The Board will continue in Open Session as the Committee of the Whole and Meeting of the Board of Regents.**
- A. Schedule for Board meetings:
 - May 13-14, 2021, Lubbock
 - August 5-6, 2021, Lubbock
 - October 2021 (TBD), Lubbock
 - December 9-10, 2021, Lubbock Keino McWhinney
 - B. Student Government Association ReportsKristen Kilpatrick,
Hunter Heck,
Marcus Gonzalez,
and Jessica Tom
- XIII. Executive Session:** The Board may convene into Executive Session in the Regents Committee Room (106), First Floor, System Building, 1508 Knoxville Avenue to consider matters permissible under Chapter 551 of the *Texas Government Code*, including, for example:Chairman Lewis
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- A. Consideration of appropriate action, if any, on items discussed in Executive Session..... Vice Chairman Griffin
- B. Chairman’s Announcements.....Chairman Lewis

XV. AdjournmentChairman Lewis

1. **ASU, TTU, TTUHSC, TTUHSC El Paso, TTUSA and TTUS:
Approve Consent Agenda; acknowledge review of
Information Agenda.**

RECOMMENDATION

The chancellor recommends that the Board of Regents (i) approves the Consent Agenda for the meeting of February 25-26, 2021; and (ii) acknowledge its review of the Information Agenda for the same meeting.

BACKGROUND INFORMATION

Pursuant to Section 01.02.6.b(2), *Regents' Rules*, the Board of Regents approves certain administrative actions.

This action is required to authorize the various officers and officials of Texas Tech to perform the tasks and duties delineated in the policies of the Board of Regents. This action also confirms the authority to prepare reports, execute contracts, documents, or instruments approved within the Consent Agenda and further confirms that such authority has been delegated to the officer or official preparing and/or executing the said item.

**CONSENT/
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BOARD OF REGENTS
TEXAS TECH UNIVERSITY SYSTEM

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and
INFORMATION AGENDA

February 25-26, 2021

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Mr. Christopher M. Huckabee
Mr. J. Michael Lewis, Chairman
Mr. Mark Griffin, Vice Chairman
Mr. Ron Hammonds
Mrs. Ginger Kerrick
Mr. Mickey L. Long
Mr. John D. Steinmetz
Mr. John B. Walker
Mr. Dusty Womble
Ms. Brooke Walterscheid, Student-Regent

Standing Committees:

Academic, Clinical and Student Affairs:
Ginger Kerrick; John Steinmetz (Chair); John Walker; Brooke Walterscheid

Audit:
Ron Hammonds (Chair); Ginger Kerrick; Dusty Womble

Facilities:
Mark Griffin; Ron Hammonds; Mickey Long (Chair)

Finance, Administration, and Investments
Mickey Long; John Walker (Chair); Dusty Womble

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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.

- (1) **ASU, TTU, TTUHSC and TTUHSC EI Paso: Summary of Revenues and Expenditures by Budget Category, FY 2021 (as of November 30, 2020), per Section 01.02.8.d(3)(g), *Regents' Rules*** – All actual expenditures will be reviewed by the Finance and Administration 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 and TTUHSC EI Paso: Contracts for ongoing and continuing health-related service relationships per Section 07.12.4.c, *Regents' Rules*** – “Notwithstanding Section 07.12.3.a or 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. Before such a contract may be executed, the president shall obtain the prior review of the TTUS Office of General Counsel and the TTUS 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) **TTUHSC: Consulting contracts with an initial consideration of \$25,000 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 \$25,000 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.”
- (4) **TTU, TTUS and TTUHSC EI 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* – Notwithstanding Section 07.12.3.a, *Regents' Rules*, the chancellor or president, 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.

- (5) **TTU: Emergency or exigent circumstances approval of employment contract by Section 07.12.3.g, *Regents' Rules*** – "Unless prohibited by law, when an emergency or exigent circumstances exist and it is not feasible or practical to convene a quorum of the board within the time in which action is needed, approval may be given for a contract by verbal approval of the chair or of the chair of the Finance Administration, and Investments Committee. Contracts approved in this manner shall be presented to the board as an information item at the next board meeting."

a. 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.

For the period of September 1, 2021 through May 31, 2022, faculty development leaves with one-half salary for:

Dr. Curtis Bauer, Professor, Department of English. The purpose of Dr. Bauer's development leave is to complete book-length translation projects already under contract—a memoir by María Sánchez to be published by Trinity University Press (Spring 2022), a short story collection by Fabio Morábito to be published by Other Press (Fall, 2022) and a poetry collection by Clara Muschietti to be published by Eulalia Books (Winter, 2022)—and the completion of a new book, his fourth full-length poetry collection in English, entitled *Dispatches, Digressions*, as well as add to his growing collection of personal essays entitled *(Dis)Orientations*.

Dr. Idoia Elola, Professor, Department of Classical and Modern Languages and Literatures. Dr. Elola has been invited to conduct research at the Universidad Publica de Navarra in Spain, collecting data on pre-service teachers' second-language use of social media tools such as wikis, chat, and blogs, and to teach and present workshops on these pedagogies in second-language classrooms.

Dr. Donald Lie, Professor, Department of Electrical and Computer Engineering. Three main objectives of Dr. Lie's development leave are to: (1) conduct collaborative research on state-of-the-art commercial 5G and 6G mobile communications and integrated circuits and system-on-chip technologies; (2) conduct interdisciplinary research work on biomedical electronics and biosensors for enabling telemedicine improvements such as smart sensors or deviceless sensing for remote respiration monitoring to help combat COVID-19; and (3) work to develop international exchange programs between Taiwanese and Japanese universities such as National Chiao Tung University and Tokushima University.

Dr. Jeremy Marston, Associate Professor, Department of Chemical Engineering. Dr. Marson has been invited by Prof. Yoshiyuki Tagawa (Tokyo University of Agriculture and Technology, TUAT) for the academic year 2021-2022 to establish a research collaboration on needle-free injections. This work is expected to lay the grounds for collaboration lasting years beyond the proposed visit, result in high-impact publications and grant proposals, and enhance bi-lateral scientific endeavors between TUAT and TTU.

Dr. Jingjing (“Jenny”) Qiu, Associate Professor, Department of Mechanical Engineering. The purpose of Dr. Qiu’s development leave is to visit with collaborators at Texas A&M University for her ongoing National Science Foundation project that focuses on a novel 3D printing method for thermosetting polymers called localized frontal curing-assisted 3D printing. Such polymers are used in aircraft, cars, boats, bridges, furniture, and space shuttles. The research could lead to increased competitiveness in the automotive, aerospace, and marine industries.

Dr. Christopher Witmore, Professor, Department of Classical and Modern Languages and Literatures. With his development leave, Dr. Witmore plans to complete a scholarly book entitled *Cultures Wake*, concerning human understanding of locality in relation to the ground, or humus. He also plans to develop and maintain active research links with an international community of archaeologists and cultural geographers who have shared interests in agrarianism, with research travel to Greece and Norway and in the United States where he gathers data and information.

For the period of September 1, 2021 through December 31, 2021, faculty development leaves with full salary for:

Alan Barenberg, Associate Professor, Department of History. Dr. Barenberg’s research examines the history of forced labor in the former Soviet Union, a system known as the Gulag. The purpose of his leave to continue this research program with a focus on finishing a book that presents the Gulag to a broad audience, *The Gulag: A Very Short Introduction* (under contract with Oxford University Press). A second purpose is to make more progress on a new research monograph, “Stalinist Hard Labor.”

Cordelia Barrera, Associate Professor, Department of English. With her leave, Dr. Barrera will work to complete a book project tentatively titled *Social Dreaming and the Search for Utopia on the Borderlands*, an exploration of utopian fiction and its ties to border theory and visionary praxis. Her leave activity will include conducting archival research at the University of Texas at Austin and the University of Oregon.

Hyo Jung (“Julie”) Chang, Associate Professor, Department of Hospitality and Retail Management. The purpose of Dr. Chang’s leave will be to conduct research on the challenges and opportunities in the fashion industry related to the emerging technology of fashion designers and small- and medium-sized fashion manufacturing and retailers in South Korea. Expected outcomes of her leave include publishing refereed research articles and development of international research and teaching collaborations.

Atila Ertas, Professor, Department of Mechanical Engineering. Dr. Ertas will use his leave to produce an open-access book on transdisciplinary design, *Managing System Complexity Through Integrated Transdisciplinary Design Tools*, and develop a WEB-based integrative transdisciplinary design tools

platform for students. The planned book deals with transdisciplinary integration of generic knowledge and tools for dealing with scientific and socially complex problems that exist at the interfaces of disciplinary boundaries. It is intended to help students apply these tools and techniques to product design and development in complex environmental, human health, natural disaster, and sustainability contexts, among others.

Carol Flueckiger, Associate Professor, School of Art. With her leave, Professor Flueckiger will develop a body of artwork that engages the dialogue surrounding renewable energy, particularly solar energy. Although studio work forms a major component of the project, the leave will also provide necessary time for identification of appropriately prestigious art venues, including galleries, art centers, museums, academic conferences, and art festivals important in establishing the projects exhibition and dissemination.

Jiawei Gong, Associate Professor, School of Art. Dr. Gong's aim with his development leave is to create a series of virtual reality (VR) short films and conduct an investigation on two aspects of the new 360-degree video and VR cinema experience: the new concept and definition of the "frame," which reconfigures the spectator's experience and how this new experience can draw from established photographic and cinematic paradigms; and, modes of VR spectatorship related to the "hero," "witness," and "impersonator" types of actor/role assignments.

Raegan Higgins, Associate Professor, Department of Mathematics and Statistics. Dr. Higgins' plan for her development leave is two-fold. First is to concentrate on work already underway to develop a time-scales approach to model intermittent androgen deprivation therapy for prostate cancer. Second is to use part of the leave time to prepare a competitive grant proposal for submission to the Louis Stokes Alliances for Minority Participation, a program funded by the National Science Foundation to assist universities and colleges in diversifying the nation's science, technology, engineering, and mathematics ("STEM") workforce by increasing the numbers of STEM baccalaureate and graduate degrees awarded to historically underrepresented populations in the STEM disciplines.

Erica Irlbeck, Professor, Department of Agricultural Education and Communication. Dr. Irlbeck's plan for her leave is to write a book on natural disaster communication, specifically about communication regarding wildfires. The book will document the stories of agricultural communications professionals who worked the massive High Plains wildfires occurring from 2016-2018, and from these accounts provide guidance for communications about future such disasters.

Belinda Kleinhans, Associate Professor, Department of Classical and Modern Languages and Literatures. The purpose of Dr. Kleinhans's leave is to travel to archives, libraries, and key centers of cultural animal studies in Germany to complete aspects of her research program that cannot be completed in

Lubbock. Gathering this information is critical to progress on her first monograph entitled, *A Bestiary of West German-Language Literature 1945-1989*. The monograph constitutes a culmination of her work thus far establishing connections among German-language writers' use of literary animals -- such as the horse, rat, or shark -- to conceptualize how authors transform animal representations to comment on social, cultural, and especially political discourse in their writing.

Miguel Levario, Associate Professor, Department of History. Building from the work on his first book, *Militarizing the Border: When Mexicans Became the Enemy*, Dr. Levario's leave plan is to acquire further primary information and write findings into new manuscripts in which he will address three intersecting borderland issues: foreign relations, the roles that local, state, and federal governments play in protecting the legal rights of non-combatant U.S. citizens, and the social/cultural context derived from borderland events spanning several decades.

Sunho Lim, Assistant Professor (tenured), Department of Computer Science. The purpose of Dr. Lim's leave is to intensively concentrate on cybersecurity research projects in collaboration with scientists at the Naval Information Warfare Center—Atlantic in Charleston, South Carolina. These research activities will enhance capabilities of mobile networks for defense against cyberattacks in a software-defined networking environment.

Dermot McCarthy, Associate Professor, Department of Mathematics and Statistics. The goal of Dr. McCarthy's leave is to complete three projects by the end of 2021 concerning modular forms, one of the most important tools in modern mathematics as a key component in solving some longstanding problems. Completing these projects by year-end will enable submitting grant proposals in 2022 and preparing peer-reviewed publications.

Matthew Olson, Professor, Department of Biological Sciences. Dr. Olson's leave plan includes work on two projects related to the evolution of sex chromosomes and separate sexes in plants. These will both be conducted in collaboration with Dr. John Pannell at the University of Lausanne in Lausanne, Switzerland. Both projects will expand Dr. Olson's current research capacity and skills by developing new experimental systems for his lab and by providing him time to further develop bioinformatics skills in genome assembly and gene expression analysis.

Alan Reifman, Professor, Department of Human Development and Family Studies. Dr. Reifman has been invited and contracted by Routledge Press in the United Kingdom to write a textbook on emerging adulthood -- the transition from adolescence to full-fledged adulthood. The purpose of his leave will be to complete the book manuscript, in part, and as conditions allow, by traveling to cities such as Toronto, Canada, New York City, Los Angeles, Chicago, and Vancouver, Canada to interview young adults from diverse cultures and national heritages.

Yuan Shu, Associate Professor, Department of English. The purpose of Dr. Shu's leave is to finish and present to a university press for publication his study of technology and Chinese American writing. The study breaks new ground in Asian American studies by engaging theories in literary studies, ethnic studies, technology studies, geopolitical studies, and transnational American studies.

Sterling Shumway, Associate Professor, Department of Community, Family, and Addiction Sciences. With his leave, Dr. Shumway will fast-track the first-of-its-kind neuroscience research being done using functional near-infrared (fNIR) spectroscopy and functional magnetic resonance imaging (fMRI) on people struggling with substance abuse disorders and their family members. In collaboration with colleagues at Utah State University and TTU, Dr. Shumway will advance publications and presentations related to his research on fNIR and fMRI and substance abuse recovery. Preliminary funding will be sought to prepare submissions for federal funding in Fall 2021 by using leave time to secure the relationship with the Utah State Neuroscience Lab.

Amelia Talley, Associate Professor, Department of Psychological Sciences. Dr. Talley will use her development leave to write two grant proposals for the National Institutes of Health and work on a project examining health-related impacts of discrimination and internalized prejudice among young adults with either visible or concealable stigmatized identifies. Having previously received NIH funding for her research program, this newer work will examine the impact of both proximal and distal sources of minority stress on drinking behaviors in emerging adulthood, using experimental designs to examine how discrimination can prompt causal changes in physiological systems contributing to drinking behavior and related health disparities in marginalized populations.

Christopher Weiss, Professor, Department of Geosciences. The purpose of Dr. Weiss's faculty development leave is to (1) complete his research supported by current NSF and NOAA funded grants and submit the findings for publication; (2) collaborate with the National Center for Atmospheric Research (NCAR), NOAA, and the National Severe Storms Laboratory (NSSL) to develop ensemble sensitivity analysis tools; and (3) plan for future research projects with NCAR, NSSL, the University of Colorado, and the University of Nebraska.

Jingxue ("Jessica") Yuan, Associate Professor, Department of Hospitality and Retail Management. Dr. Yuan's leave will be used with the aim to enhance the scope and impacts of the TTU Experiential Tourism Research Initiative by (1) completing and submitting for publication with top-tier journals two manuscripts co-authored with collaborators; (2) seeking international funding opportunities, including a Fulbright fellowship; and (3) conditions permitting, attending an international conference on tourism and sustainability.

For the period of January 1, 2022 through May 31, 2022, faculty development leaves with full salary for:

Dustin Benham, Professor, School of Law. Professor Benham will use his leave for intensive research, writing, and, to the extent possible, travel to complete a research project focused on emerging, nationally important litigation issues concerning court-secrecy practices in mass-tort cases, aggregate litigation, and other contexts. The work will entail examining primary source material, original historic source material, live court and law-practice observation, active case materials, and live source interviews.

Caroline Bishop, Associate Professor, Department of Classical and Modern Languages and Literatures. Dr. Bishop will spend her leave completing a book on the ancient reception of the Roman orator and author Marcus Tullius Cicero, which follows directly from her first book, *Cicero, Greek Learning, and the Making of a Roman Classic*. Cicero's position at the center of classical education means that he has played a pivotal role in the formation of young minds for millennia. Her book will provide a detailed examination of how his transformation into this towering figure began.

Carolyn Cruse, Associate Professor, School of Music. Dr. Cruse has been invited to serve as a workshop clinician, guest conductor, and choral music education consultant at Makerere University in Kampala, Uganda. The residency will be spent immersing in the choral music education community, working with the undergraduate and graduate choral and music education students and faculty and Makerere and in greater Kampala, and participating in action research exploring effective teaching and rehearsal strategies in the context of Ugandan and East African choral rehearsals and music classrooms.

Sara Dodd, Associate Professor, Department of Human Development and Family Studies. Dr. Dodd will use her leave to develop a monograph based on the engaged scholarship that she has led as Director for the Center for Adolescent Resiliency (CAR). The Center's approach to youth programming is novel and includes an emerging theoretical model to design interactions with adolescents, families, and youth practitioners. Work during the leave will entail preparation of a grant to the NIH program, "Healthy Habits: Timing for Development of Sustainable Healthy Behaviors in Children and Adolescents."

Ali Duffy, Associate Professor, Department of Theatre and Dance. Dr. Duffy's plan for her leave is to focus on continuing her research looking at 21st Century women doing dance-related work in the United States and Europe. Conditions permitting, she will travel to the UK to expand collaborations toward a chapter in her new book under contract with Routledge, *Dancing Motherhood: Contexts and Perspectives from 21st Century Women Working in Dance*. The book manuscript is due by Summer 2022.

Susan Larson, Professor, Department of Classical and Modern Languages and Literatures. With her leave, Dr. Larson will attempt travel to Madrid, Spain for archival work, writing the findings, enhancing existing and establishing new collaborative relationships with colleagues in support of her ongoing research project, "Comfort and Domestic Space in Spain, from the Civil War through the Transition." The leave project is expected to produce a series of research articles leading to a full-length book in the U.S. and then in Spanish translation for Spain by 2023. The research examines the evolution of domestic space through an analysis of the media-driven concept of comfort, a complex cultural and political narrative closely related to ideas about social housing, modernization, class conflict, the nation, intimacy, the body, and the family.

Debbie Laverie, Professor, Area of Marketing and Supply Chain Management. Dr. Laverie will use her development leave to extend her research program on how parasocial interactions in digital brand communities influence brand loyalty. The project entails testing a theoretical model within the Peloton fitness brand community, which has seen a substantial increase in membership and provides an ideal setting for her research. In this context, parasocial interactions are the perceived interpersonal interactions between a Peloton subscriber and the Peloton fitness instructor. The research concerns the potential of individuals who represent a firm to act as brand ambassadors and use parasocial interaction to build relationships and brand loyalty.

Adam Martin, Associate Professor, Department of Agricultural and Applied Economics. Dr. Martin's plan for his leave is to bring together much of his research completed to date into a book with the tentative title, Imaginative Political Economy. The book will make the case that imagination deserves a place in economic explanations insofar as, before we can choose between courses of action (choice being a key economic principle), we must be aware of them. Drawing on work from evolutionary psychology and behavioral economics, the book will develop new hypotheses for empirical testing that should be of interest to both applied scholars and theoreticians.

Toby Rider, Associate Professor, Department of Political Science. Dr. Rider's leave will be to conduct research into the military budget and procurement decision-making process for countries around the globe. It will entail traveling, conditions permitting, to research centers and archives to view documents related to defense-spending decisions. The information gathered will be used to address several research questions leading to publications in a book project.

Lauryn Salazar, Associate Professor, School of Music. The purpose of Dr. Salazar's leave will be to focus on writing a manuscript based on her research and creativity over the past seven years. Her work explores the ways in which mariachi music functions in society and has been used by diasporic Mexican heritage communities in the United States as a mode of protest and resistance against societal marginalization and perceived and actual racist

legislation. Having the working title, *Mariachi and Politics*, the book will be of interest in academic fields of ethnomusicology, Chicano studies, Latin American studies, education, and music education.

Abigail Swingen, Associate Professor, Department of History. Dr. Swingen will use her leave to continue progress on her second book manuscript tentatively titled, *The Financial Revolution, Politics, and Moral Crisis in Early Modern Britain.* She has gathered a significant amount of primary source material over the past several years at the British National Archives and the British Library. The development leave will provide her time to read through and organize much of this material that is in the form of digital photographs, and then prepare a book proposal with two chapter drafts to submit to either University of Chicago Press or Harvard University Press by the end of summer 2022.

b. TTU: Approve employee appointment to a non-elective position.

Board approval required by: Article 16, Section 33, Texas Constitution; Chapter 667.007, Texas Government Code, TTU Operating Policy 70.15

The request is to approve an employee appointment to a non-elective position, as listed below. Further, the president and chancellor recommend that the Board of Regents find with respect to the appointee that his service is of benefit to the State of Texas and Texas Tech University and does not conflict with his position of employment at Texas Tech University. This request has been approved administratively by the president and the chancellor and is recommended for approval by the Board of Regents.

Mr. Brian Shannon, a Paul Whitfield Horn Professor at the Texas Tech University School of Law, has been re-appointed to a two-year term on the State of Texas Judicial Commission on Mental Health, which was established to assist the Texas Supreme Court and the Court of Criminal Appeals to better serve people struggling with mental health issues. The term is effective December 21, 2020.

This appointment is not in conflict with Mr. Shannon's employment at Texas Tech University. He will serve on the commission without compensation but may be reimbursed for necessary travel and *per diem* in the performance of his duties as a member of the commission.

BACKGROUND INFORMATION

The Texas Constitution, *Texas Government Code*, and Texas Tech University Operating Policy require a finding of fact before a university employee may accept an appointment to serve in a non-elective office.

c. TTUHSC: Approve employee appointment to non-elective position.

Board approval required by: Article 16, Section 40, Texas Constitution; Chapter 574, Texas Government Code and 70.18 TTUHSC Operating Policy

The request is to approve the employee appointment to a non-elective position, 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.

Sharmila Dissanaiké, M.D., is the Peter C. Canizaro Chair of the Department of Surgery at Texas Tech University Health Sciences Center. She is a Governor of the American College of Surgeons (“ACS”), serving on the national Committee for Ethics and the Advisory Council for Rural Surgery. She serves on the Board of the American Burn Association, the Southwest Surgical Congress and the Lubbock Medical Society, in addition to representing the American Medical Association on the Residency Review Committee for Surgery for the Accreditation Council for Graduate Medical Education (“ACGME”). She is a member of the Texas Surgical Society, and past-president of the North Texas Chapter of ACS. Dr. Dissanaiké received her medical training from the University of Sydney, Australia, completed her surgery residency at Texas Tech University Health Sciences Center, and a fellowship in trauma and surgical critical care at the University of Washington in Seattle before returning to Lubbock in 2007, where she has since been in active clinical practice as a trauma, burn, critical care, and general surgeon.

Governor Gregg Abbot has appointed Dr. Dissanaiké to the Texas Medical Board District Three Review Committee for a term set to expire on January 15, 2026. The Medical Board’s four District Review Committees evaluate medical practice and professional competency, and make recommendations on investigations conducted by the Medical Board. Each committee consists of seven members: three physician members who are doctors of medicine (“M.D.”), one physician member who is a doctor of osteopathic medicine (“D.O.”) and three public members.

Further, the president and the chancellor recommend that the Board of Regents find with respect to the appointee that her service is of benefit to the State of Texas and Texas Tech University Health Sciences Center (“TTUHSC”) and that her service does not conflict with her respective position of employment at TTUHSC.

BACKGROUND INFORMATION

Section 574.001 of the Texas Government Code and University Policy (OP 70.18) require a finding of fact that Article 16, Section 40 of the Texas

Constitution has been satisfied before a university employee may accept an appointment with a state office or federal agency.

This appointment will not conflict with the appointee's employment at TTUHSC. This individual will serve without compensation but may be reimbursed for necessary travel and per diem in the performance of her duties as a member of the body to which she is appointed.

d. TTU: Approve co-branding of Permian Basin Research Center in Midland (Premier Oilfield Group) and Master License Agreement.

Board approval required by: Section 08.05.1, Section 07.12.3(d)(1)(b), *Regents' Rules*

RECOMMENDATION

The request is to approve co-branding of Permian Basin Research Center in Midland, Texas with the Premier Oilfield Group, LLC, for a period of five (5) years; approve a Master License Agreement for a period not to exceed twenty (20) years; and grant President Lawrence Schovanec and Vice President Byron Kennedy the authority to negotiate the appropriate co-branding of the facility and the Master License Agreement between the parties.

This request has been approved administratively by the president and the chancellor and is recommended for acknowledgement by the Board of Regents.

BACKGROUND INFORMATION

Premier Oilfield Group, LLC ("Premier") is in ongoing discussions with Texas Tech University's Office of Research Commercialization and Office of Advancement to invest in the College of Arts & Sciences' Department of Geosciences and the Permian Basin Research Center (the "PBRC") in Midland, Texas. Premier's potential investment is two-fold: a public-private partnership between Premier, Geosciences and the PBRC, and a philanthropic contribution, together valued at up to, if not exceeding, \$5 million.

As part of a Master License Agreement for Geological Data, currently under negotiation between Premier and Texas Tech's Office of Research Commercialization, Texas Tech will provide Premier with access to the core samples housed within the PBRC for purposes of nondestructive analysis that would allow the core samples to be incorporated into Premier's online database for a license agreement for period up to twenty (20) years. Premier's database compiles relevant, readily accessible rock, fluid, reservoir, and marketplace data to its users to build a more effective and more efficient hydrocarbon development to database users. Texas Tech would receive a percentage royalty based on user access to the data set(s) from the PBRC core samples incorporated into Premier's system.

Additionally, Premier has agreed to a multi-faceted philanthropic contribution benefitting the College of Arts & Sciences, Department of Geosciences and the PBRC. Premier will provide financial support, over a period of five (5) years, to Arts & Sciences to establish a scholarship and graduate or post-doctoral fellowship, as well as assist the College with ongoing renovations of the PBRC, provide lab instrumentation and equipment, and grant Texas Tech faculty access to Premier's laboratory in Midland, Texas at no additional cost.

In recognition of the Licensing Agreement between Premier and Texas Tech, and Premier's ongoing philanthropic support, Texas Tech proposes co-branding of the PBRC with Premier for a period not to exceed five (5) years, with the option to extend in light of an extended agreement.

As negotiations for the Master License Agreement remain ongoing, the president and vice president for advancement request the authority to establish appropriate co-branding between Texas Tech and Premier at the PBRC, upon final execution of the agreement between the parties. The president and vice president for advancement will notify the Board of Regents of the final determination of the parties as soon as practicably possible.

Premier Oilfield Group, LLC was formed in May 2016 to focus on the generation and interpretation of rock and fluid data. It has acquired and integrated six businesses that have allowed it to assemble world-class experts, facilities, and platforms to produce effective data. Headquartered in Houston, Texas, Premier has extended its presence worldwide, with offices, laboratories and libraries in Houston, Midland, Denver, and Oklahoma City, as well as Aberdeen, Scotland, Noida, India, Cairo, Egypt, and Abu Dhabi, United Arab Emirates.

In August 2020, the Board of Regents approved naming a TTU facility located in Midland, Texas, the "Texas Tech University / Permian Basin Research Center" and authorized the use of the TTU Double T symbol in conjunction with the facility's name.

Section 08.05.1, *Regents' Rules*, requires Board approval of all namings of buildings, auditoriums, rooms, laboratories, streets, athletic fields, landscape features, and other facilities as part of the Texas Tech University System, which shall include, in this instance, the inclusion of a third party's company name and logo alongside the name of Texas Tech University on the exterior of the PBRC.

Section 07.12.3.d.1.b *Regents' Rules*, requires Board approval of contracts that involve a commitment of funds or other resources for more than four years.

e. **TTU: Approve naming of Texas Tech Plaza, Personal Financial Planning Clinic Room 305H (Amanda and Jarrod Upton Counseling Room).**

Board approval required by: Section 08.05.1, *Regents' Rules*

The request is to approve naming Personal Financial Planning Clinic Room 305H within the Texas Tech Plaza the "Amanda and Jarrod Upton Counseling Room." The donor concurs with the naming of this 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 acknowledgement by the Board of Regents.

BACKGROUND INFORMATION

Jarrold and Amanda Upton ("Donors") made a generous contribution of \$25,000 to support the Personal Financial Planning Experiential Learning Space. To honor and recognize this contribution, Personal Financial Planning Clinic Room 305H within the Texas Tech Plaza will be named the "Amanda and Jarrod Upton Counseling Room". Signage for the space will specify the approved name.

Jarrold received his bachelor's in marketing in 2002 and a master's in marketing and personal financial planning, respectively, in 2010 from Texas Tech University. Amanda received her bachelor's from Texas Christian University and her master's in business from TTU in 2010. Jarrold has previously served on the Personal Financial Planning Advisory Board and currently serves on the Rawls College of Business Dean's Advisory Council. They reside in Colleyville, TX.

The gift meets the minimum fifty percent (50%) threshold requirement for naming a subunit within a facility, as verified by the vice chancellor of facilities planning and construction.

Regents' Rules, Section 08.05.1 require board approval of the naming of all buildings, subunits, and other facilities within the TTU System.

f. **TTUHSC El Paso: Approve naming of Texas Tech Dental Oral Health Clinic, Pediatric Dental Suite Room 1020 (Kemp Smith LLP Pediatric Dental Suite).**

Board approval required by: Section 08.05.1, *Regents' Rules*

The request is to approve naming pediatric dental suite room 1020 within the Texas Tech Dental Oral Health Clinic the "Kemp Smith LLP Pediatric Dental Suite." The donor concurs with the naming of this 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 acknowledgement by the Board of Regents.

BACKGROUND INFORMATION

Kemp Smith Law ("Donor") made a generous contribution of \$25,000 to support the Woody L. Hunt School of Dental Medicine and the Dental Dean's Excellence Fund. To honor and recognize this contribution, pediatric dental suite room 1020 within the Texas Tech Dental Oral Health Clinic will be named the "Kemp Smith LLP Pediatric Dental Suite". Signage for the space will specify the approved name.

Established in 1866, the Donor is the second-oldest law firm in Texas and the largest law firm on the tristate international border. Headquartered in El Paso, the Donor has a strong local, interstate, and international presence in the Paso del Norte region.

The gift meets the minimum fifty percent (50%) threshold requirement for naming a subunit within a facility, as verified by the vice chancellor of facilities planning and construction.

Regents' Rules, Section 08.05.1 require board approval of the naming of all buildings, subunits, and other facilities within the TTU System.

g. TTUHSC El Paso: Approve naming of Texas Tech Dental Oral Health Clinic, Pediatric Dental Suite Room 1021 (Gene and Sherri Wolf Pediatric Dental Suite).

Board approval required by: Section 08.05.1, *Regents' Rules*

The request is to approve naming pediatric dental suite room 1021 within the Texas Tech Dental Oral Health Clinic the "Gene and Sherri Wolf Pediatric Dental Suite." The donor concurs with the naming of this 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 acknowledgement by the Board of Regents.

BACKGROUND INFORMATION

Gene and Sherri Wolf ("Donors") made a generous contribution of \$25,000 to support the Woody L. Hunt School of Dental Medicine and the Dental Dean's Excellence Fund. To honor and recognize this contribution, pediatric dental suite room 1021 within the Texas Tech Dental Oral Health Clinic will be named the "Gene and Sherri Wolf Pediatric Dental Suite". Signage for the space will specify the approved name.

The Donors are friends of the Texas Tech University System and are active in their community. Gene is partner at Kemp Smith, LLP. Gene currently serves on the President's Development Council. They reside in El Paso, TX.

The gift meets the minimum fifty percent (50%) threshold requirement for naming a subunit within a facility, as verified by the vice chancellor of facilities planning and construction.

Regents' Rules, Section 08.05.1 require board approval of the naming of all buildings, subunits, and other facilities within the TTU System.

h. TTUHSC El Paso: Approve naming of Texas Tech Dental Oral Health Clinic, Pediatric Dental Suite Room 1024 (Care Family Pediatric Suite).

Board approval required by: Section 08.05.1, *Regents' Rules*

The request is to approve naming pediatric dental suite room 1024 within the Texas Tech Dental Oral Health Clinic the "Care Family Pediatric Suite." The donor concurs with the naming of this 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 acknowledgement by the Board of Regents.

BACKGROUND INFORMATION

Dennis Care, DDS ("Donor") made a generous contribution of \$25,000 to support the Woody L. Hunt School of Dental Medicine. To honor and recognize this contribution, pediatric dental suite room 1024 within the Texas Tech Dental Oral Health Clinic will be named the "Care Family Pediatric Suite". Signage for the space will specify the approved name.

The Donor is a friend of the Texas Tech University System. He received his bachelor's at the University of Texas at Austin and his DDS from Loma Linda University. He is a dentist at Ronald W. Care DDS. He resides in El Paso, TX.

The gift meets the minimum fifty percent (50%) threshold requirement for naming a subunit within a facility, as verified by the vice chancellor of facilities planning and construction.

Regents' Rules, Section 08.05.1 require board approval of the naming of all buildings, subunits, and other facilities within the TTU System.

i. **ASU: Approve commissioning of police officer.**

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

This request is to commission the individuals as listed below as a police officer, effective on the date indicated below. This request has been approved administratively by the chancellor and the president and is recommended for approval by the Board of Regents:

Maria Kerry, effective January 16, 2021
David Baker, effective January 16, 2021

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.

j. ASU: Approve electrical energy provider agreement.

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

The request is to approve the electrical energy provider agreement dated December 18, 2020, with Reliant Energy Retail Services, LLC. This contract will be effective June 1, 2021 and will end May 31, 2026. This request has been approved administratively by the president and is recommended for approval by the Board of Regents.

BACKGROUND INFORMATION

In November 2019, ASU published a Request for Qualification ("RFQ") to obtain the services of an energy brokerage and procurement firm to assist with obtaining an electrical energy provider. After rating the responses received for the RFQ, ASU's evaluation committee selected Noresco, LLC, as the best value vendor of such services. This contract for services was extended in January of 2020 to perform the exact same services for an additional term starting June 2021 through May, 2022.

In early 2020, Noresco submitted an RFP on ASU's behalf, with the intention of providing agreed upon contract language and terms, and the best possible pricing available in our service area. The review of these responses was narrowed to two providers. In December 2020, Noresco requested final pricing, which resulted in Reliant Retail Services, LLC offering the best pricing. When pricing and term length is offered, the contract is agreed, confirmed, and accepted within hours. ASU locked in the pricing on December 18, 2020.

Reliant Retail Services, LLC
Cost to Angelo State

	Current Contract 6/1/17-5/31/21	New Contract 6/1/21-5/31/26
Fixed Rate	0.03288 / kWh	0.02783 / kWh
Average Annual Usage	35,000,000	35,000,000
Total Cost	\$1,150,800.00	\$974,050.00
Annual Savings		\$176,750.00

Section 07.12.3.a *Regents' Rules*, requires Board approval on contracts in excess of \$1,000,000 over the term of the contract.

k. TTU: Approve modification of endowment (Terry and Linda Fuller Physics or Geosciences Scholarship Quasi Endowment).

Board approval required by: Section 2, Investment Policy Statement of the Long Term Investment Fund

The request is to approve modification of the Terry and Linda Fuller Physics or Geosciences Scholarship Quasi Endowment by repurposing the funds to benefit the Terry and Linda Fuller Palo Duro High School ("PDHS") "Go Tech" Scholarship Endowment. Upon transfer, the spendable balance shall be reinvested into the corpus of the endowment. This request has been approved administratively by the president and the chancellor and is recommended for acknowledgement by the Board of Regents.

BACKGROUND INFORMATION

The Terry and Linda Fuller Physics or Geosciences Scholarship Quasi Endowment was established in 2013 by Terry and Linda Fuller ("Donors") as a result of the Donors' transformative gift to the Whitacre College of Engineering and subsequent matching funds from the Texas Research Incentive Program. The criteria is to support scholarships for either physics or geosciences undergraduate or graduate students interested in the oil and gas industry with a GPA of 3.0.

The Donors have requested the transfer of the funds due to the Endowment being underutilized.

The balance of the Endowment as of February 3, 2021, including the corpus and spendable is \$120,748.88.

Section 2 of the Investment Policy Statement of the Long Term Investment Fund allows the establishment and modification of quasi endowments, as approved by the Board of Regents of the Texas Tech University System.

I. **TTU: Approve acceptance of Gift-in-Kind benefitting Athletics.**

Board approval required by: Section 06.01.2b, *Regents' Rules*; and Texas Tech University System Regulation 04.01.13bv2

The request is to approve acceptance of a gift-in-kind from Richard Abrahamson, M.D. of 4,800 pieces of Warner Bros. licensed fine-art quality giclee prints, sized 16x20, unframed, titled "Scooby and Shaggy – Texas Tech Hoops" with an appraised value of \$720,000.00. This request has been approved administratively by the president and the chancellor and is recommended for approval by the Board of Regents.

BACKGROUND INFORMATION

Richard Abrahamson, M.D., ("Donor") made a generous contribution of 4,800 pieces of Warner Bros. licensed fine-art quality giclee prints, sized 16x20, unframed, titled "Scooby and Shaggy – Texas Tech Hoops" for Athletics. The gift of giclee prints will be used to promote fan engagement to strengthen ties between the TTU basketball program and the community.

The Donor is a friend of the Texas Tech University System. He received his bachelor's from Middlebury College and his M.D. from the University of Cincinnati. The Donor is an ophthalmologist at St. Elizabeth Physicians and resides in Loveland, OH.

Regents' Rules Section 06.01.2b requires board approval of the acceptance of gifts, including gifts-in-kind. Texas Tech University System Regulation 04.01.13bv2 states that for gifts of personal property to a component appraised at \$250,000 or more, the vice chancellor for institutional advancement will seek approval from the Board of Regents.

m. **TTU: Approve acceptance of Gift-in-Kind benefitting Athletics.**

Board approval required by: Section 06.01.2b, *Regents' Rules*; and Texas Tech University System Regulation 04.01.13bv2

The request is to approve acceptance of a gift-in-kind from Thomas Abrahamson of 12,850 pieces of Warner Bros. licensed fine-art quality giclee prints, sized 16x20, unframed, titled "Touchdown Taz – Red Raiders" with an appraised value of \$1,927,500.00. This request has been approved administratively by the president and the chancellor and is recommended for approval by the Board of Regents.

BACKGROUND INFORMATION

Thomas Abrahamson ("Donor") made a generous contribution of 12,850 pieces of Warner Bros. licensed fine-art quality giclee prints, sized 16x20, unframed, titled "Touchdown Taz – Red Raiders" for Athletics. The gift of giclee prints will be used to promote fan engagement to strengthen ties between the TTU football program and the community.

The Donor is a friend of the Texas Tech University System. He received his bachelor's from Arizona State University. The Donor is the owner of Chic Luxury Cruises and resides in Montgomery, OH.

Regents' Rules Section 06.01.2b requires board approval of the acceptance of gifts, including gifts-in-kind. Texas Tech University System Regulation 04.01.13bv2 states that for gifts of personal property to a component appraised at \$250,000 or more, the vice chancellor for institutional advancement will seek approval from the Board of Regents.

n. **TTU: Approve acceptance of Gift-in-Kind benefitting Athletics.**

Board approval required by: Section 06.01.2b, *Regents' Rules*; and Texas Tech University System Regulation 04.01.13bv2

The request is to approve acceptance of a gift-in-kind from Deverl Maserang of 2,000 pieces of Warner Bros. licensed fine-art quality giclee prints, sized 16x20, unframed, titled "Scooby and Shaggy – Texas Tech Hoops" with an appraised value of \$300,000.00. This request has been approved administratively by the president and the chancellor is recommended for approval by the Board of Regents.

BACKGROUND INFORMATION

Deverl Maserang ("Donor") made a generous contribution of 2,000 pieces of Warner Bros. licensed fine-art quality giclee prints, sized 16x20, unframed, titled "Scooby and Shaggy – Texas Tech Hoops" for Athletics. The gift of giclee prints will be used to promote fan engagement to strengthen ties between the TTU basketball program and the community.

The Donor is a graduate of Texas Tech University where he received his bachelor's in industrial engineering in 1987. The Donor is the president and CEO of Famer Brothers and resides in Reno, NV.

Regents' Rules Section 06.01.2b requires board approval of the acceptance of gifts, including gifts-in-kind. Texas Tech University System Regulation 04.01.13bv2 states that for gifts of personal property to a component appraised at \$250,000 or more, the vice chancellor for institutional advancement will seek approval from the Board of Regents.

o. TTU: Approve consulting contract related to technology commercialization assistance and advisory support services for the Texas Tech University Office of Research Commercialization.

Board approval required by: Section 07.12.4.e, *Regents' Rules*

The request is to 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 Texas Tech University Office of Research Commercialization. This request has been approved administratively by the president and the chancellor and is recommended for approval by the Board of Regents.

BACKGROUND INFORMATION

TreMonti Consulting, LLC ("TreMonti") has extensive experience in providing advice and assistance to universities, governments, and companies regarding intellectual asset management opportunities. TreMonti has 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 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 Texas Tech University Office of Research Commercialization to maintain operations and support review and valuation of assigned technologies.

TreMonti will work closely with TTU 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 07.12.4.e. *Regents' Rules*, requires Board approval on consulting contracts with an initial consideration in excess of \$25,000.

p. **TTU: Approve contract extension for Texas Tech Football Defensive Coordinator.**

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

The request is to authorize the president, or his designee, to execute a contract extension with Keith Patterson (“Coach”) to serve as Defensive Coordinator for the Texas Tech University football team.

Coach shall be paid the following annual Base Salary during the Term of this Agreement.

February 1, 2021 – August 31, 2021	\$339,325
September 1, 2021 – January 31, 2022	\$266,667
February 1, 2022 – January 31, 2023	\$640,000

BACKGROUND INFORMATION

The Board of Regents previously approved an employment agreement with Coach Patterson in 2019 covering 2019, 2020, and 2021. The new two-year agreement will replace the previously approved 2021 amounts and extend his employment through January of 2023.

The updated contract includes an increase of \$40,000 for 2021 and an additional year of compensation for the 2022 season (through January 31, 2023) valued at \$640,000.

Section 07.12.3.e *Regents' Rules*, requires Board approval for employment contracts having a total value (including cash and non-cash considerations) over the entire term of the contract of more than \$1,000,000.

q. **TTUHSC: Approve modification of endowment (William P. Hale M.D. and Sue Hale Distinguished Otolaryngology Professorship Endowment).**

Board approval required by: Texas Tech University Health Sciences Center Operating Policy 02.08.4b

The request is to approve modification of the name and criteria of the William P. Hale, M.D. and Sue Hale Distinguished Otolaryngology Professorship Endowment as listed below. This request has been approved administratively by the president and the chancellor and is recommended for acknowledgement by the Board of Regents.

Modified Name: Dr. William and Sue Hale Distinguished Professor in Surgery

Modified Criteria: Funds from this endowment will be used to recruit and retain a highly qualified professor in the Department of Surgery. Funds should be used to supplement costs associated with the professorship, including salary.

BACKGROUND INFORMATION

The William P. Hale, M.D. and Sue Hale Distinguished Otolaryngology Professorship Endowment was established in January 2007 by Dr. William P. Hale and Mrs. Sue Hale (“Donors”) with a gift of \$250,000 that was matched by TTUHSC with funds from the Billye McDowell Brown Bequest to create the \$500,000 endowed professorship. Previously, the criteria stated it would provide funds to recruit and retain an otolaryngologist. The Donors have requested in writing that endowment be modified to recruit and retain a highly qualified professor in the Department of Surgery.

The balance of the Endowment as of January 21, 2021, including the corpus and spendable is \$904,188.50.

Texas Tech University Health Sciences Center Operating Policy 02.08.4b states that a modification of an endowment with a principal balance of greater than \$25,000.00 requires a written request of the donor and approval of the Board of Regents of the Texas Tech University System.

r. **TTUS: Authorize a consulting agreement to provide support for advancing state and strategic initiatives.**

Board approval required by: Section 07.12.4e, *Regents' Rules*

The request is to authorize the chancellor to execute an agreement with Hance Scarborough, LLP to advance state and strategic initiatives for the Texas Tech University System ("TTUS"). This request has been approved administratively by the chancellor and is recommended for approval by the Board of Regents.

Services and objectives of Hance Scarborough, LLP include advancing state and strategic initiatives with TTUS: 1) supporting state affairs and legislative initiatives for TTUS; 2) coalition building of stakeholders for TTUS and in higher education; 3) supporting strategy and advancement of specific initiatives identified by the chancellor.

The estimated cost of this engagement is to be determined by the chancellor based on services needed. TTUS will also reimburse reasonable direct expenses of the consultant, only with prior approval from TTUS, as outlined in the consulting agreement.

BACKGROUND INFORMATION

Section 07.12.4e, *Regents' Rules*, requires board approval for consulting agreements with specific terms and monetary amounts.

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, TTU, TTUHSC and TTUHSC El Paso: Summary of Revenues and Expenditures by Budget Category, FY 2021 (as of November 30, 2020), per Section 01.02.8.d(3)(g), *Regents' Rules*** – All actual expenditures will be reviewed by the Finance and Administration 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 and TTUHSC El Paso: Contracts for ongoing and continuing health-related service relationships per Section 07.12.4.c, *Regents' Rules*** – “Notwithstanding Section 07.12.3.a or 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. Before such a contract may be executed, the president shall obtain the prior review of the TTUS Office of General Counsel and the TTUS 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:**
(a) CON2729158; Amarillo Hospital District; Pediatric Subspecialty Care.
- TTUHSC El Paso:**
(a) 07212; The Hospitals of Providence, “On-call Service Agreement” for TTUHSC El Paso campus, RE: Amendment for gastroenterology on call services.
- (3) **TTUHSC: Consulting contracts with an initial consideration of \$25,000 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 \$25,000 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.”

- (a) CON2803878; Gordon Blocker Consulting LLC; Consulting Services; \$24,500.
- (b) CON2789283; The Meadows Mental Health Policy Institute for Texas; Consulting Services; \$24,000.

(4) TTU, TTUS 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 – Notwithstanding Section 07.12.3.a, Regents’ Rules, the chancellor or president, 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.

- (a) See attachments below of contracts that meet the above criteria.

TTU and TTUS: Approved Purchasing Contracts

Regents’ Rules 07.12.3.a and 07.12.3.b

Component	Vendor	Services or Goods to be Provided	Start	End	Procurement Method
TTU	Tophatmonocle Corp. dba Top Hat	Classroom Engagement Technology	Upon execution	8 years after execution	Request for Proposal
TTUS	Jaggaer	eProcurement software module	3/30/2021	3/29/2025	Sole Source

TTUHSC El Paso: Approved contracts to be reported to the Board of Regents

Regents’ Rules 07.12.4

Component	Vendor	Services or Goods to be Provided	Start	End	Procurement Method
TTUHSC El Paso	07488; El Paso Veteran Affairs (VA) Health Care System	Reimbursement for resident salaries and fringe benefits.	10/1/2020	9/30/2030	N/A: Professional Services Contract may be terminated without cause in 120 days or less.
TTUHSC El Paso	07659; El Paso County Hospital District	On-call Service Agreement for TTUHSC El Paso campus, RE: Ophthalmology call coverage and physician services	11/1/2020	10/31/2022	N/A: Professional Services
TTUHSC El Paso	08044; Michelle DaCosta	CRNA Services for TTUHSC El Paso campus, RE: Anesthesia services for hospital partners	11/20/2020	8/31/2024	Professional Services
TTUHSC El Paso	08163; Weatherby Locums	Pediatric PICU locum coverage for hospital partner	12/1/2020	11/30/2023	Professional Services

- (5) **TTU: Emergency or exigent circumstances approval of employment contract by Section 07.12.3.g, Regents' Rules** – "Unless prohibited by law, when an emergency or exigent circumstances exist and it is not feasible or practical to convene a quorum of the board within the time in which action is needed, approval may be given for a contract by verbal approval of the chair or of the chair of the Finance Administration, and Investments Committee. Contracts approved in this manner shall be presented to the board as an information item at the next board meeting."
- (a) On December 19, 2020 Chairman Lewis granted an exigent circumstances approval that authorized President Schovanec to execute an employment agreement with Sonny Cumbie to serve as the Offensive Coordinator for the Texas Tech University football program. In advance of the Chairman's action, all regents were provided information regarding the terms of the proposed employment agreement.

ATTACHMENT

**TTU Current Horn Distinguished Professors
(ACS Item 6.)**

Current Horn Distinguished Professors

1981	William J. Conover Mathematics & Statistics	2014	Jingyu Lin Electrical & Computer Engineering
1983	Shelby D. Hunt Area of Marketing	2015	Guigen Li Chemistry & Biochemistry
1991	Kishor Mehta Civil Engineering		Andreas Neuber Electrical & Computer Engineering
1994	Sankar Chatterjee Museum Sciences and Geosciences		Brian Shannon Law
1999	Kenneth Ketner Institute for Studies in Pragmaticism	2016	Eric Hequet Plant & Soil Sciences
2000	Stefan Estreicher Physics	2018	Yehia Mechref Chemistry & Biochemistry
2003	Loretta Bradley Educational Psychology	2019	Danny Reible Civil, Environmental, & Construction Engineering
2005	Greg McKenna Chemical Engineering	2020	William "Bill" Gardner Area of Management Rawls College of Business
2006	Michael Galyean Animal & Food Sciences		
2007	William Casto School of Law		
	Eileen Johnson Museum		
2008	David Larmour Classical & Modern Languages & Literatures		
2010	Sindee Simon Chemical Engineering		
	Victoria Sutton Law		
2011	Bruce Clarke English		
2013	Hongxing Jiang Electrical & Computer Engineering		