MINUTES
BOARD OF REGENTS MEETING BY VIDEOCONFERENCE
May 13, 2021

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The University of North Texas System Board of Regents convened on Thursday, May 13, 2021, by videoconference, with the following Regents in attendance: Melisa Denis, Mary Denny, Dan Feehan, A.K. Mago, Celosa Munguia, Brint Ryan, John Scott, Laura Wright, and Dianna Nguyen. The meeting was conducted by videoconference with no in-person attendance due to the request by the Office of the Attorney General to allow for the advance of the public health goal of limiting face-to-face meetings (also called social distancing) to slow the spread of Coronavirus (COVID-19). The videoconference meeting was livestreamed for public viewing.

In accordance with a notice being duly posted with the Secretary of State and there being a quorum present, Chair Wright called the meeting to order at 8:34 a.m. The Board Secretary called roll and confirmed a quorum.

Chair Wright began by asking Chancellor Roe to make opening remarks on progress since the last quarterly board meeting and any updates regarding the UNT System’s response to the COVID-19 pandemic.

Following the Chancellor’s remarks, Chair Wright honored Regent Dianna Nguyen for her year of service on the Board of Regents, noting that this would be her last meeting as a Student Regent, as her term expires on May 31, 2021. Dianna made brief comments, thanking the Regents and the UNT System for the opportunity to serve the students.

Chair Wright recessed the Board at 8:46 a.m. for the meetings of the Audit and Finance Committee, Student Success, Academic and Clinical Affairs Committee, and Strategic and Operational Excellence Committee.

Following the Committee meetings, the Board reconvened at 3:03 p.m., with Regent Munguia absent. The Board considered the following items on the Consent Agenda:

2021-17 UNTS Approval of the Minutes of the February 4-5, 2021 Board Meeting
2021-18 UNTS Approval of FY23 Holiday Schedule for the UNT System Administration, UNT, UNTHSC, and UNT Dallas
2021-19 UNTS Approval of the Sale of Historic Tax Credits and Approval of Board Designated Quasi-Endowments Funded from Historic Tax Credit Sale Proceeds to be Used for Scholarships
2021-20 UNTS Approval of TexPool Resolutions Amending Authorized UNT Representatives
2021-21 UNT Approval of Tenure for New UNT Faculty Appointees
Approval of Extension of UNT's Master Service Agreement with Ruffalo Noel Levitz

Approval of University of North Texas Health Science Center (HSC) Emeritus Recommendation

Pursuant to a motion by Regent A.K. Mago seconded by Regent Mary Denny, the Board approved the Consent Agenda 7-0.

The Board then considered the following action items coming out of committees:

Audit and Finance Committee Items

Approval of Updated University of North Texas Title IX Sexual Harassment Policy
Delegation of Authority for UNT to Enter into a Contract for the Operation of Eagle Postal Services
Approval of UNT Dallas Room and Board Summer Rates

Pursuant to a motion by Regent Melisa Denis seconded by Regent Brint Ryan, the Board approved the above Audit and Finance Committee action items. The motion was approved on a 7-0 vote.

Student Success, Academic and Clinical Affairs Committee Items

Approval and Ratification of UNT System Institution Admission Standards for Students Admitted for Matriculation Beginning in Summer 2022
Approval of UNT Tenure Recommendations
Approval to add the UNT Bachelor of Arts Degree Program with a Major in Critical Studies in Music and Society
Approval to Add the UNT Doctor of Business Administration Degree Program
Approval of the University of North Texas Health Science Center (HSC) Tenure Recommendations
Approval to Add the University of North Texas Health Science Center (HSC) Bachelor of Science Degree with a Major in Biomedical Sciences
Approval of UNT Dallas Tenure Recommendations
Approval to Add the UNT Dallas Bachelor of Arts with a Major in Applied English

Pursuant to a motion by Regent Mary Denny seconded by Regent Dan Feehan, the Board approved the above Student Success, Academic and Clinical Affairs Committee action items. The motion was approved on a 7-0 vote.

At 3:06 p.m., Chair Wright moved the Board into Executive Session to consider matters noted on the Executive Session agenda in accordance with Texas Government Code Section 551.071, .072, .073, and .074.

The board reconvened in open session at 4:07 p.m. There were four action items from executive session.
2021-35 UNT  Delegation of Authority to Amend and Extend the UNT Vice President and Director of Athletics Employment Agreement

Pursuant to a motion by Regent Brint Ryan seconded by Regent Mary Denny, the Board approved the above action item. The motion was approved on a 7-0 vote.

2021-36 UNT  Delegation of Authority to Amend and Extend the Employment Agreement with University of North Texas Women’s Head Basketball Coach

Pursuant to a motion by Regent Melisa Denis seconded by Regent Dan Feehan, the Board approved the above action item. The motion was approved on a 7-0 vote.

2021-37 UNT  Delegation of Authority to Amend and Extend the Employment Agreement with University of North Texas Men’s Head Basketball Coach

Pursuant to a motion by Regent John Scott seconded by Regent A.K. Mago, the Board approved the above action item. The motion was approved on a 7-0 vote.

2021-38 UNT  Authorization to Sell a 0.1281 Acre Tract of Land Located at 901 Precision Drive, Denton, Denton County, Texas

Pursuant to a motion by Regent A.K. Mago seconded by Regent John Scott, the Board approved the above action item. The motion was approved on a 7-0 vote.

There being no further business, the Board meeting was adjourned at 4:12 p.m. on Thursday, May 13, 2021.

Submitted By:  
Rosemary Haggett, Board Secretary  
Board of Regents

Approved By:  
Laura Wright, Chair  
Board of Regents

Date:  May 27, 2021  
Date:  August 27, 2021