MINUTES
BOARD OF REGENTS MEETING
August 12-13, 2021

Friday, August 13, 2021 Livestream Link: https://livestream.com/accounts/7090653/events/9800573

Thursday, August 12, 2021

The University of North Texas System Board of Regents convened on Thursday, August 12, 2021, at the University of North Texas Health Science Center, Medical Education and Training (MET) Building, Room 109/111, 1000 Montgomery St., Ft. Worth, Texas, with the following Regents in attendance: Melisa Denis, Dan Feehan, A.K. Mago, Carlos Munguia, Brint Ryan, John Scott, Laura Wright, and Jessica Armstead. The 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 8:31 a.m.

Chair Wright began the meeting by welcoming the new student regent, Jessica Armstead, to the Board of Regents.

Chair Wright noted that Regents Rule 03.202 calls for the election of officers of the Board of Regents to take place at the August meeting held in odd numbered years. Therefore, Chair Wright asked for nominations of individuals to serve as Vice Chair. With a recommendation by Regent Mary Denny, Regent Milton Lee was nominated and re-elected Vice Chair by a unanimous vote of 8-0. Chair Wright then appointed Regent Ryan to conduct the election of individuals to serve as Chair. Therefore, Regent Ryan asked for nominations of individuals to serve as Chair. With a recommendation by Regent A.K. Mago, Regent Laura Wright was nominated and re-elected Chair by a unanimous vote of 8-0. The Chair and Vice Chair would resume their duties as elected officers of the Board of Regents.

Chair Wright then asked Chancellor Roe to make opening remarks on progress since the last quarterly board meeting.

For Spotlight on Students, UNTHSC Executive Vice President and Provost Charles Taylor introduced Dr. Robert McClain. Dr. McClain introduced a group of students at the UNT Health Science Center who had been involved in the HSC Next team: Alshaima’a Quinies, Jana Lampe, A’o Akins, and Prathyusha Mahasamudram. The students described their experiences as “innovators in training” at HSC and shared their various entrepreneurial pursuits with the Board. The students then entertained questions from the Board of Regents.

Chair Wright thanked the student panel for sharing their experiences and recessed the Board at 9:09 a.m. for the meetings of the Audit and Finance and Strategic Infrastructure Committees.

Following the Committee meetings, the Board reconvened at 2:30 p.m.
The Board recognized Mr. Neema Razavi who had requested to make public comment about Executive Session item Consultation with counsel regarding legal issues related to medical school accreditation, as posted with the Secretary of State. Mr. Razavi spoke for three minutes as allowed by Regents Rules.

At 2:37 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 Sections 551.071, .074, and .089.

The Board reconvened in open session at 6:14 p.m. Regent A.K. Mago was absent.

There were three action items for consideration from executive session.

2021-39 UNTS Delegation of Authority to Amend the Employment Agreement with the UNT Dallas President

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

2021-40 UNTS Delegation of Authority to Amend the Employment Agreement with the University of North Texas Health Science Center President

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

2021-41 UNTHSC Recommendation to Terminate Dr. Victor V. Uteshev, Ph.D., Associate Professor, a tenured faculty member in the Graduate School of Biomedical Sciences, Department of Pharmacology and Neuroscience, University of North Texas Health Science Center

Pursuant to a motion by Regent Brint Ryan and seconded by Regent Melisa Denis, the Board approved the above action item. The motion was approved 6-1 on a roll call vote. Laura Wright voted “yes”, Mary Denny voted “yes”, Melisa Denis voted “yes”, Dan Feehan voted “yes”, Carlos Munguia voted “yes”, Brint Ryan voted “yes”, and John Scott voted “no”.

Chair Wright then recessed the Board at 6:19 p.m. until Friday, August 13, at 8:30 a.m.

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The University of North Texas System Board of Regents reconvened on Friday, August 13, 2021, by videoconference, with the following Regents in attendance: Melisa Denis, Mary Denny, Milton Lee, Carlos Munguia, Brint Ryan, John Scott, Laura Wright, and Jessica Armstead. The Acting Board Secretary called roll and confirmed a quorum. There being a quorum present, Chair Wright called the meeting to order at 8:36 a.m. and moved the Board into Executive Session to consider matters noted on the Executive Session agenda in accordance with Texas Government Code Sections 551.071, .074, and .089.

The Board reconvened in open session at 10:06 a.m. and Chair Wright recessed the Board at 10:07 a.m. for meetings of the Strategic and Operational Excellence and Student Success, Academic and Clinical Affairs Committees.

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Following the committee meetings, the Board reconvened at 12:09 p.m. and considered the following items on the Consent Agenda:

**2021-42 UNTS**  Approval of Minutes of the May 13, 2021 and June 28, 2021 Meetings

**2021-43 UNTS**  Resolution Declaring Intention to Reimburse Certain Expenditures with Proceeds from Debt

**2021-44 UNT**  Approval of Tenure for New UNT Faculty Appointees

**2021-45 UNTSC**  Approval of Tenure for a New University of North Texas Health Science Center (HSC) Faculty Appointee

**2021-46 UNTHSC**  Delegation of Authority to the UNTHSC President for Approval of UNTHSC Intergovernmental Transfers (IGT) of Funds for FY 2022 in the Texas Healthcare Transformation and Quality Improvement Program (1115 Transformation Waiver) and the Texas Incentives for Physician and Professional Services Program

**2021-47 UNTHSC**  UNTHSC Plan for Health Care Professional Malpractice Self-Insurance Annual Report and Approval of FY22 Premium

**2021-48 UNTD**  Approval of Tenure for New UNT Dallas Faculty Appointee

Pursuant to a motion by Regent Milton Lee and seconded by Regent Mary Denny, the Board approved the Consent Agenda 7-0.

There was one action item for consideration by the full board, noted below.

**2021-49 UNTS**  Revision to Regents Rule 09.200, Naming Opportunities

Pursuant to a motion by Regent Carlos Munguia and seconded by Regent John Scott, the Board approved the above action item. The motion was approved on a 7-0.

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

**Audit and Finance Committee Items**

**2021-50 UNTS**  Approval of the FY22 UNT System Consolidated Operating Budget

**2021-51 UNTS**  Approval of FY22 UNTS Internal Audit Plan

**2021-52 UNTS**  Approval of UNT System Regulation 08.2000, Investment of System Funds

**2021-53 UNTS**  Twenty-Ninth Supplemental Resolution to the Master Resolution Authorizing the Issuance, Sale and Delivery of Board of Regents of the University of North Texas System Revenue Financing System Bonds, in One or More Series; and Approving and Authorizing Instruments and Procedures Relating Thereto

**2021-54 UNTHSC**  Approval of a New University of North Texas Health Science Center (HSC) Tuition for the Master of Science Degree with a Major in Applied Outcomes Research

**2021-55 UNTHSC**  Approval of a New University of North Texas Health Science Center (HSC) Designated Tuition Rate and a New Out of State
Teaching Fee (OSTF) for the Bachelor of Science Degree with a Major in Biomedical Sciences Online Degree Program

2021-56 UNTHSC Delegation of Authority to the UNTHSC President for Approval of UNTHSC’s Investment in Fort Worth’s First Accelerator Program with Techstars

Pursuant to a motion by Regent Carlos Munguia and seconded by Regent John Scott, the Board approved the above Audit and Finance Committee action items. The motion was approved on a 7-0 vote.

Strategic Infrastructure Committee and Audit and Finance Committee Item

2020-57 UNTS Approval of the UNTS FY22 Capital Improvement Plan and Amending the FY21 Capital Improvement Plan

Pursuant to a motion by Regent Carlos Munguia and seconded by Regent John Scott, the Board approved the above action item considered jointly by the Strategic Infrastructure Committee and the Audit and Finance Committee. The motion was approved on a 7-0 vote.

Student Success, Academic and Clinical Affairs Committee Items

2021-58 UNT Approval of Tenure for New UNT Faculty Appointees

2021-59 UNT Approval to add the UNT Bachelor of Business Administration Degree Program with a Major in Sport Entertainment Management

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

There being no further business, the Board meeting was adjourned at 12:21 p.m. on Friday, August 13, 2021.

Submitted By:  

Rosemary Haggett, Board Secretary  
Board of Regents

Date: 8-23-2021

Approved By:  

Laura Wright, Chair  
Board of Regents

Date: 12-13-2021