**TEXAS WOMAN’S UNIVERSITY BOARD OF REGENTS**

**ACADEMIC AFFAIRS COMMITTEE MINUTES**

**Thursday, June 1, 2017**

**TWU T. Boone Pickens Institute of Health Sciences-Dallas Center 3rd Floor; Multipurpose Room # 3620**

**5500 Southwestern Medical Ave. Dallas, TX 75235**

**Roll Call:**

**Present Committee Members:**

Mrs. Nancy Painter Paup, (Chair), Dr. Melissa D. Tonn (Vice Chair), Ms. Anna Maria Farias, Esq. (Ex Officio), Nolan Perez, M.D., Mrs. Mary Wilson and Ms. Monica Mathis, Student Regent (Non-Voting).

**Present Administrators:**

Dr. Carine Feyten, Chancellor and President; Ms. Destinee Waiters, General Counsel; Ms. B.

J. Crain, Interim Vice President for Finance and Administration; Dr. Monica Mendez-Grant, Vice President for Student Life; Dr. Jennifer Martin, Interim Provost and Vice President for Academic Affairs; Dr. Barbara Lerner, Vice President for Enrollment Services and Ms. Heidi Tracy, Vice President for University Advancement.

**Call to Order:**

Mrs. Nancy Paup, Chair of Academic Affairs Committee, reminded everyone that the committee meetings are being streamed live and asked that everyone speak loudly and clearly as they make comments during the meetings.

With a quorum being present, Mrs. Nancy Painter Paup, Chair of the Academic Affairs Committee, called the meeting of the Committee to order at **3:30 p.m.**

**Academic Affairs Committee:**

1. **Consider Approval of the Minutes of the Committee Meeting of February 16, 2017.**

**Motion**: Regent Melissa Tonn motioned and Regent Mary Wilson seconded. The motion passed with a vote of 3-0-0.

The minutes of the Academic Affairs Committee meeting of February 16, 2017 were approved as submitted.

1. **Adjourn to Executive Session**

There were no items on the agenda for Executive Session.

1. **Agenda**

**Motion to take up all items on the Agenda:** Regent Mary Wilson motioned and Regent Melissa Tonn seconded. The motion passed with a vote of 3-0-0.

* + **Report Item A: Program and Faculty Highlights from the College of Health Sciences and School of Management**

Dr. Jennifer Martin, Interim Provost and Vice President for Academic Affairs introduced the agenda Item highlighting the programs and faculty of the College of Health Sciences and-Dallas and the changes in the administrative structure of the School of Management. She then invited the board to the 5th floor of the Dallas institute for a presentation by the Health Sciences Faculty.

**Recess:** Mrs. Paup, Chair announced that the Board would recess for a presentation by the academic departments on the 5th floor.

With a quorum being present, Mrs. Nancy Painter Paup, Chair of the Academic Affairs Committee again called the meeting of the Committee back to order at **4:27 p.m.**

* + **Report Item B: Consider Recommending Approval of the Ph.D. in Communication Sciences**

Dr. Jennifer Martin, Interim Provost and Vice President for Academic Affairs, introduced Dr. Chris Ray, newly appointed TWU Dean of the College of Health Sciences who presented for the Committees approval the proposal for the PhD in Communication Sciences; noting the current challenges the health sciences face: clinical site shortages, monetization of needs, faculty shortages and competitive markets.

* + **Report Item C: Faculty Senate Report**

Dr. Jeff Robb, Faculty Senate Speaker, thanked Ms. Monica Mathis for her work as the TWU Student Regent and Dr. Jennifer Martin, Interim Provost and Vice President for Academic Affairs, for her work as Interim Provost and her relentless cheerfulness.

**Motion:** Regent Dr. Melissa D. Tonn motioned to vote on Action item B on the Agenda, as listed, and Regent Mary Wilson seconded. The Item passed with a vote of 4-0-0.

1. **Presentations and Recognitions**

Dr. Feyten thanked Regent Mathis for her participation as Student Regent.

1. **Adjourn**

With no further business coming before the Academic Affairs Committee, the Chair adjourned the committee meeting at **4:48 p.m**.