TEXAS WOMAN’S UNIVERSITY BOARD OF REGENTS ACADEMIC AFFAIRS COMMITTEE MINUTES

November 2, 2017

# Roll Call:

10th Floor TWU Institute of Health Sciences, Houston Center 6700 Fannin Street. Houston, Texas

**Present Committee Members:**

Dr. Melissa D. Tonn, Vice Chair; Mary Wilson and Ms. Rachel Iacobucci, Student Regent (Non-Voting); Nolan Perez, M.D. (Ex-Officio).

# 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. Alan Utter, Provost and Vice President for Academic Affairs, Dr. Randall Langston, Vice President for Enrollment Services, Ms. Heidi Tracy, Vice President for University Advancement; Ms. Cindy Pollard, Associate Vice President of Marketing and Communications.

# Call to Order:

With a quorum being present, Dr. Melissa D. Tonn, Vice Chair of the Academic Affairs Committee called the meeting of the Committee to order at **3:13 p.m.**

**Academic Affairs Committee:**

1. **Consider Approval of the Minutes of the Committee Meeting of August 10, 2017.**

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

The minutes of the Academic Affairs Committee meeting of August 10, 2017 were approved as submitted.

# Adjourn to Executive Session

There were no items on the agenda for Executive Session.

# Agenda

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

# Report Item A: Academic Affairs updates: Partnerships Grant

Dr. Alan Utter, Provost and Vice President for Academic Affairs, took a moment to congratulate the 2017 World Series winners - the Houston Astros! He then introduced Dr.

Peggy Gleeson, PT, PhD Co-Director of the TWU Multi-Disciplinary Collaboration in Underserved Clinical Sites for the Enhancement and Promotion of Quality Healthcare in Physical Therapy, who briefed the Board on the clinical partnerships grant that was awarded to the TWU DPT program by THECB in the amount of $388,000.00. She explained that the grant is allowing TWU to establish and maintain clinical partnerships with sites located in regions of Texas that are identified as underserved and have a high minority population. In addition, the grant allows for interdisciplinary education, as well as increased educational opportunities for our students and partner clinicians.

# Report Item B: Academic Affairs updates: Hurricane Harvey

Dr. Alan Utter, Provost and Vice President for Academic Affairs introduced Dr. Ainslie Nibert PhD; Associate Professor, Associate Dean of Nursing – Houston Center and Dr. Carolyn DaSilva. Professional Program (Entry-Level DPT) Coordinator School of Physical Therapy, Houston Center who presented a report on examples of strategies used to support the faculty, staff, and students of the College of Nursing and School of Physical Therapy during Hurricane Harvey and its aftermath will be presented. Emphasis was on supporting our TWU family, and families support each other. Efforts were particularly challenging due to incomplete orientation for new students and third year students leaving from or returning to Houston to start their full-time clinical affiliations

# Report Item C: Academic Affairs updates: TWU Student Food Market

Dr. Alan Utter, Provost and Vice President for Academic Affairs introduced Carolyn Moore, PhD, RD, Associate Professor Department of Nutrition and Food Sciences Deborah Unruh, MS in Ed, Assistant Director Office of Student Life who presented a report on the recent identification of food insecurity among TWU students in Houston. They also reported on the creation of a new TWU Student Food Market through collaboration with the Houston Food Bank and announced that TWU was awarded a 2 year grant from the Houston Food Bank Food for Change Program.

# Report Item D: Consider approval of Dallas ISD Affiliation Agreement

Dr. Alan Utter, Provost and Vice President for Academic Affairs introduced Dr. Stephanie Woods who presented the request for the Committee to recommend approval of the Interlocal Clinical Agreement between Texas Woman’s University and Dallas ISD to provide clinical experience in Community Health Competencies by providing training and gain the experience to provide services to Dallas ISD students.

**Motion:** Regent Mary Wilson, motioned to vote on Action items **D** on the Agenda as listed, and Regent Nolan Perez seconded. The Items passed with a vote of 3-0-0.

# Presentations and Recognitions

None

# Adjourn

With no further business coming before the Academic Affairs Committee, the Chair adjourned the

committee meeting at **4:10 p.m**.