

**TEXAS WOMAN'S UNIVERSITY SYSTEM BOARD OF REGENTS  
FULL BOARD MINUTES  
August 12, 2022**

**TWU Denton Campus  
Hubbard Hall – Southeast Ballroom**

**Roll Call:**

**Present Full Board Members:**

Regents Wu (Chair), Coleman, Hyde, Jester, McDavid, Shepard, Sweatt, Wilson, and L.Wilson (non-voting)

**Present Administrators:**

Dr. Carine M. Feyten, Chancellor and President; Ms. Katherine Antwi Green, General Counsel, Secretary to the Board, and Chief Compliance Officer; Dr. O. Finley Graves, Interim Executive Vice President for Academic Affairs and Provost; Ms. Kristina Kaskel-Ruiz, Vice President for Marketing and Communication; Dr. Monica Mendez-Grant, Vice President for Student Life; Dr. Kimberly Russell, Vice President for University Advancement; Mr. Jason Tomlinson, Vice President for Finance and Administration; and Dr. Javier Flores, Associate Vice President for Enrollment Management.

**I. Call Full Board Meeting to Order**

With a quorum present, Regent Wu, Chair of the Board of Regents, called the meeting to order at **9:05 a.m.**

Regent Wu reminded everyone that the meeting is streaming live and asked that everyone speak loudly and clearly as they make comments during the meeting. She also asked Regents to identify themselves when speaking to aid members of the public in knowing who is speaking.

Regent Wu welcomed attendees to the Denton campus.

Regent Wu also welcomed new Student Regent Lily Wilson to the Board of Regents.

**II. Consider Approval of the Minutes of the Full Board Meeting of May 20, 2022**

**Motion to Approve Minutes:** Regent Wilson motioned, and Regent Coleman seconded. The motion passed with a unanimous vote.

The minutes of the Full Board Meeting of **May 20, 2022** were approved as submitted.

**III. Consent Agenda**

Regent Wu said the Board would now take up Items A through K on the Consent Agenda from the Finance and Audit Committee and the Academic Affairs Committee meetings.

Regent Wu asked if any Regent would like to pull any other item for separate discussion. She then asked if there was any additional discussion about any of the agenda items.

**Motion to Approve A through K on the Consent Agenda as presented in their respective Committees:** Regent Hyde motioned, and Regent Shepard seconded. The motion passed with a unanimous vote.

- Item A. Recommend Approval of the Fiscal Year 2023 Audit Plan**
- Item B. Recommend Approval of Revisions to the Greater Dallas-Fort Worth Regional Law Enforcement Mutual Aid Task Force Agreement**
- Item C. Recommend Approval of the Sixteenth Supplemental Resolution to the Master Resolution Authorizing the Issuance of Bonds, in one or more Series**
- Item D. Recommend Approval of the Revised Budget for the Blagg-Huey Library Sprinkler Upgrades and Installation**
- Item E. Recommend Approval of the Fiscal Year 2023 Budget**
- Item F. Recommend Approval of Acceptance of Grants**
- Item G. Recommend Approval of Hybrid Delivery of Existing Bachelor of Arts Degree in English**
- Item H. Recommend Approval of an Online Psychiatric/Mental Health Track to the Existing Post-Master’s Certificate in Nurse Practitioner**
- Item I. Recommend Approval of an Online Psychiatric/Mental Health Track to the Existing Master of Science in Nursing-Nurse Practitioner Degree**
- Item J. Recommend Approval of Faculty Member for Tenure**
- Item K. Recommend Approval of Emeritus and Emerita Faculty and Staff**

As a result of the vote, the following faculty and staff were approved for tenure or emeritus and emerita status as noted below.

**COLLEGE OF ARTS AND SCIENCES**

<b><u>Name</u></b>	<b><u>Department</u></b>	<b><u>Approved For</u></b>
Ms. Catherine Banks	Mathematics	Senior Lecturer of Mathematics Emerita
Dr. B. Mark Britt	Chemistry and Biochemistry	Professor of Chemistry Emeritus
Dr. Marie-Ann Demuyneck	Computer Science	Professor of Computer Science Emerita

<u>Name</u>	<u>Department</u>	<u>Approved For</u>
Dr. Lydia Elizabeth Hodges	Social Sciences and Historical Studies	Professor of History Emerita
Professor Mary Williford-Shade	Dance	Chair and Professor of Dance Emerita

### COLLEGE OF BUSINESS

<u>Name</u>	<u>Department</u>	<u>Approved For</u>
Dr. John Nugent	Accounting and Finance	Associate Professor of Accounting Emeritus

### COLLEGE OF HEALTH SCIENCES

<u>Name</u>	<u>Department</u>	<u>Approved For</u>
Ms. Robin Abellera	Communication Sciences and Oral Health	Associate Clinical Professor of Communication Sciences Emerita
Dr. Tina Fletcher	Occupational Therapy	Professor of Occupational Therapy Emerita
Dr. Peggy Gleeson	Physical Therapy	Associate Director and Professor of Physical Therapy Emerita
Dr. Elaine Jackson	Physical Therapy	Professor of Physical Therapy Emerita
Dr. Leslie Koberna	Communication Sciences and Oral Health	Clinical Professor of Dental Hygiene Emerita
Dr. S. Ann Medley	Physical Therapy	Director and Professor of Physical Therapy Emerita

<u>Name</u>	<u>Department</u>	<u>Approved For</u>
Dr. Marsha Neville	Occupational Therapy	Professor of Occupational Therapy Emerita
Dr. Delaina Walker-Batson	Communication Sciences and Oral Health	Director and Cornaro Professor of Communication Sciences Emerita

### COLLEGE OF PROFESSIONAL EDUCATION

<u>Name</u>	<u>Department</u>	<u>Approved For</u>
Dr. Alexandra Babino	Literacy and Learning	Associate Professor with Tenure Upon Arrival
Dr. Melinda Cowart	Teacher Education	Professor of Bilingual and ESL Emerita
Dr. Linda Ladd	Human Development, Family Studies, and Counseling	Professor of Marriage and Family Therapy Emerita
Dr. Barbara Lerner	Undergraduate Studies and Academic Partnerships (now Curriculum and Strategic Initiatives)  Teacher Education	Vice Provost and Associate Professor of Special Education Emerita
Dr. Jennifer Martin	Executive Vice Provost (now Faculty Success)  Human Development, Family Studies, and Counseling	Executive Vice Provost and Professor of Consumer Sciences Emerita
Dr. Sylvia Vardell	Library and Information Studies	Professor of Literature for Children and Young Adults Emerita

**DIVISON OF STUDENT LIFE**

<u>Name</u>	<u>Department</u>	<u>Approved For</u>
Dr. Denise Lucero-Miller	Counseling and Psychological Services	Director of Counseling and Psychological Services Emerita

**DIVISION OF ACADEMIC AFFAIRS**

<u>Name</u>	<u>Department</u>	<u>Approved For</u>
Ms. Eula Oliphant	Libraries – College of Nursing and Health Sciences	Manager of Dallas Campus Library Emerita

**IV. Presentations**

**Item A. Introduction of the Interim Executive Vice President for Academic Affairs and Provost and the New Vice President of Marketing and Communication**

Chancellor Carine M. Feyten, Chancellor and President, introduced Dr. O. Finley Graves, Interim Executive Vice President for Academic Affairs and Provost, and detailed both his academic credentials and previous experience in higher education. Dr. Feyten then introduced Ms. Kris Kaskel-Ruiz, Vice President for Marketing and Communication to the Board, who joined TWU from Sam Houston State University.

**Item B. Presentation of Tenure, Emeritus, and Emerita Faculty and Staff**

Dr. O. Finley Graves, Interim Executive Vice President for Academic Affairs and Provost, recognized the faculty member awarded tenure. He also recognized faculty and staff awarded emeritus and emerita status.

**V. Full Board Agenda**

Regent Wu said that the Board would now take up the Agenda Items as listed.

**Motion to Take up Agenda Items as Listed:** Regent Wilson motioned, and Regent Hyde seconded. The motion passed with a unanimous vote.

**Item A. Report on Texas Woman’s University’s 2022-2023 Athletics**

Dr. Monica Mendez-Grant, Vice President for Student Life and Ms. Sandee Mott, Director of Athletics, updated the Board on the current athletic activities at TWU. Ms. Mott detailed TWU Athletics’ fundraising strategy, which was developed in collaboration with University Advancement. This strategy includes annual giving through the Pioneer Club, corporate sponsorships, and major gifts. She provided additional information on the Pioneer Club, which is membership driven.

Ms. Mott then introduced TWU’s new head softball coach, Coach Gay McNutt, to the Board and informed

the Board that former student-athlete Bailey Vrazel (now Hammock) was selected for induction into the Lone Star Conference Hall of Honor. Ms. Mott next presented that TWU's 2022 gymnastics team was named the 2022 Academic National Champions. This award added to the team's Midwest Independent Conference Championship and USA Gymnastics Collegiate National Championship wins – the first time in program history to win all three in the same year.

Regent Wu commented on the fantastic leadership of TWU Athletics and Regents Coleman and Jester expressed their excitement about joining the Pioneer Club.

#### **Item B. Report on Office of Governmental and Legislative Affairs**

Mr. Kevin Crusier, Director of Governmental and Legislative Affairs, briefed the Board on recent developments as it relates to the Texas Legislature, including the estimated surplus from the current budget biennium. Mr. Crusier then provided a detailed explanation of TWU's Legislative Appropriations Request. He gave the Board information on TWU's priorities for funding, including full formula funding, full funding for the new comprehensive regional university fund, increased financial aid for students, and increased funding for nursing students. Mr. Crusier next provided information on TWU's exceptional item requests, which are funding requests for items unique to TWU. He concluded his report by adding that TWU also requested that the Legislature fully fund Hazlewood-exempt students. He concluded his report with a discussion on the current rate of formula funding.

Mr. Crusier answered Regent Wilson's question by providing additional information on the Hazlewood Act exemption.

#### **Item C. Recommend Approval of Regent Policy B.20090: Travel Policy**

Mr. Jason Tomlinson, Vice President for Finance and Administration, recommended approval of new Regent Policy B.20090: Travel Policy. He provided the reason for the new policy and the formation of the cross-divisional committee charged with reviewing all travel policies. This policy serves as the authority and framework for TWU regulations and procedures and includes state requirements.

**Motion to Approve Item C:** Regent Coleman motioned, and Regent Jester seconded. The motion passed with a unanimous vote.

#### **Item D. Recommend Approval of Revisions to Regent Policy G.70000: Student Travel Policy**

Ms. Alex Yarbrow, Director of Compliance, recommended approval of revisions to Regent Policy G.70000: Student Travel Policy. She detailed the substantive changes made to the policy and explained that a separate student travel policy is required per the Texas Education Code.

**Motion to Approve Item D:** Regent Shepard motioned, and Regent Hyde seconded. The motion passed with a unanimous vote.

#### **Item E. Recommend Approval of Revisions to Regent Policy B.20030: Admissions Standards and Requirements**

Ms. Alex Yarbrow, Director of Compliance, recommended approval of revisions to Regent Policy B.20030: Admissions Standards and Requirements. She detailed the substantive changes made to the policy and explained this revision was necessary as a part of the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools Commission on Colleges (SACSCOC) reaffirmation process.

**Motion to Approve Item E:** Regent Wilson motioned, and Regent Shepard seconded. The motion passed with a unanimous vote.

**Item F. Recommend Approval of Revisions to Regent Policy B.20300: Marketing and Communication Policy**

Ms. Kris Kaskel-Ruiz, Vice President for Marketing and Communication, recommended approval of revisions to Regent Policy B.20300: Marketing and Communication Policy. She detailed the substantive changes made to the policy.

**Motion to Approve Item F:** Regent Jester motioned, and Regent Coleman seconded. The motion passed with a unanimous vote.

**VI. Adjourn Full Board Meeting to Executive Closed Session**

Regent Wu then announced that the Board would recess to Executive Closed Session for Deliberations Regarding Personnel Matters Relating to Appointment, Employment, Evaluation, Reassignment, Duties, Discipline, or Dismissal of Public Officers or Employees pursuant to Section 551.074 of the Texas Government Code. Specifically, she stated that the Board will discuss the Chancellor and President's Evaluation, hear a Recommend Approval of Compensation Adjustments for the Chancellor and President, and hear a Recommend Approval of the Chancellor and President's Goals for Academic Year 2022-2023.

The meeting adjourned at **9:47 a.m.**

**VII. Reconvene into Open Session and Take Any Possible Action Regarding Matters Discussed in Executive Closed Session**

At the conclusion of the Executive Closed Session, Regent Wu reconvened the meeting of the Full Board into open session, a quorum being present at **11:05 a.m.** Regent Wu stated the Board would take any possible action regarding matters discussed in Executive Closed Session.

Regent Wu commented on the Regents' evaluation of Chancellor Feyten. She stated that the Board is grateful for Chancellor Feyten's dedication and commitment to Texas Woman's University System and they are exceedingly proud of all Chancellor Feyten has accomplished in the last year.

Regent Wu invited other members of the Board to make comments regarding Chancellor Feyten's evaluation. The following Regents made remarks commending Chancellor Feyten's performance: Hyde, Jester, Wilson, McDavid, Coleman, Shepard, Sweatt, and Student Regent Wilson.

**Motion to Approve Item A Deliberations Regarding Personnel Matters Relating to Appointment, Employment, Evaluation, Reassignment, Duties, Discipline, or Dismissal of Public Officers or Employees pursuant to Section 551.074 of the Texas Government Code. Revise Chancellor Feyten's employment renewal agreement:** Regent Shepard motioned, and Regent Coleman seconded. The motion passed with a unanimous vote.

**Motion to Approve Item A.3 Recommend Approval of Chancellor and President's Goals for Academic Year 2022-2023:** Regent Wilson motioned, and Regent Hyde seconded. The motion passed with a unanimous vote.

**VIII. Report on the Office of the Chancellor and President**

Chancellor Feyten began her report by thanking the Board and stating that it is a privilege to work at TWU. She informed the Board that this year would be critical for the future of the institution as TWU is about to start a new strategic plan, which will involve engagement from the Board and the whole campus. Chancellor Feyten then presented specific goals for the upcoming academic year. First, realizing the dream of the System and specifying those goals, including moving forward in the area of STEM, the strategic plan, and the plan for the System. The next goal is launching the first comprehensive campaign for the University. Finally, TWU will be undergoing SACSCOC 10-year-reaffirmation process. Chancellor Feyten concluded her report by thanking the Board, her colleagues, her team, and other leaders on campus.

#### **IX. Future Business**

Regent Wu asked if there were any comments or requests from any regents regarding future issues or subjects to discuss.

Regent Coleman requested an update on the original four sororities at TWU at the next meeting: Alpha Omicron Pi, Alpha Gamma Delta, Alpha Kappa Alpha, and Delta Sigma Theta. She would like a recap of the sororities and an update on how they have progressed over the years.

#### **X. Regents' Remarks**

Regent Wu told the Board that the next Board of Regents meeting is scheduled for November 10 and 11 on the Houston campus.

#### **XI. Adjourn Full Board Meeting**

With no further business coming before the Board of Regents, Regent Wu adjourned the Board of Regents meeting at **11:22 a.m.**