

TEXAS WOMAN'S UNIVERSITY SYSTEM BOARD OF REGENTS
FULL BOARD MINUTES
February 13, 2025

TWU Denton Campus
Hubbard Hall – Southeast Ballroom and Room 2238

Roll Call:

Present Full Board Members:

Regents McDavid (Chair), Amirkhan, Coleman, Hyde, Jester, Shepard, Wilson, Wright, Wu, and Landgrebe (non-voting)

Present Administrators:

Dr. Carine M. Feyten, Chancellor and President; Ms. Monica Christopher, Dallas Campus President; Dr. Monica Williams, Houston Campus President; Dr. Angela Bauer, Executive Vice President for Academic Affairs and Provost; Dr. Javier Flores, Vice President for Enrollment Management; Ms. Kristina Kaskel-Ruiz, Vice President for Marketing and Communication; Dr. Monica Mendez-Grant, Vice President for Student Life; Ms. Lisa Rampy, Vice President for University Advancement; Mr. Jason Tomlinson, Vice President for Finance and Administration; Dr. Henry Torres, Chief Information Officer; and Ms. Alex Yarbrow, Acting Secretary to the Board of Regents.

I. Call Full Board Meeting to Order

With a quorum present, Regent McDavid, Chair of the Board of Regents, called the meeting to order at **4:16 p.m.** Regent McDavid welcomed attendees to the Denton campus.

II. Consider Approval of the Minutes of the Full Board Meeting of November 8, 2024

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

The minutes of the Full Board Meeting of **November 8, 2024** were approved as submitted.

III. Consent Agenda

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

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

Motion to Approve A through G on the Consent Agenda as presented in their respective Committees: Regent Jester motioned and Regent Amirkhan seconded. The motion passed with a unanimous vote.

- Item A. Recommend Approval of Fiscal Year 2025 Audit Plan Revision**
- Item B. Recommend Approval of Merrilee Alexander Kick College of Business and Entrepreneurship Building Project**
- Item C. Recommend Approval of Guinn and Stark Halls Code Improvements Project – Phase 1**
- Item D. Recommend Approval of Delegation of Contract Authority to the Vice President of Finance and Administration to Negotiate and Execute the Energy Contracts for the Dallas and Houston Campuses**
- Item E. Recommend Approval of IT Solutions Migration Services Contracts**
- Item F. Recommend Approval of Acceptance of Grants**
- Item G. Recommend Approval of New Hybrid Bachelor of Arts in Spanish Translation and Interpreting Degree**

IV. Presentation

Item A. Recognize Departing Board of Regents Members: Regent McDavid, Regent Hyde, and Regent Wilson

Regent McDavid, Board Chair and Presiding Officer, recognized Regent Hyde and Regent Wilson for their service to TWU's Board of Regents. Regent Wright, Vice Chair and Assistant Presiding Officer, recognized Regent McDavid for her service to TWU's Board of Regents.

V. Full Board Agenda

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

Motion to Take up Agenda Items as Listed: Regent Jester motioned and Regent Coleman seconded. The motion passed with a unanimous vote.

Item A. Report on Texas Woman's University Athletics

Dr. Monica Mendez-Grant, Vice President of Student Life, and Ms. Sandee Mott, Executive Director of Athletics, presented to the Board an update on athletics at TWU. Ms. Mott provided information related to 2024 Fall academics for student athletes and updates on the Volleyball, Wrestling, STUNT, Artistic Swimming, Softball, and Gymnastics teams. She concluded her report with new records set by student athletes at TWU.

Item B. Report on Office of Governmental and Legislative Affairs

Mr. Kevin Crusier, Director of Governmental and Legislative Affairs, provided an update on the Office of Governmental and Legislative Affairs. Mr. Crusier provided updates regarding the upcoming Legislative Session and TWU Day at the Capitol. He concluded his report by detailing TWU's legislative priorities.

Item C. Report on the Office of the Dallas Campus President

Ms. Monica Christopher, Dallas Campus President, provided an update on the Office of the Dallas Campus President. She began her report by detailing the strategic plan for the Dallas Campus and then briefed the Board on philanthropic support and Dallas President's Leadership Council campaign that was launched in November 2024.

Item D. Report on the Office of the Houston Campus President

Dr. Monica Williams, Houston Campus President, provided an update on the Office of the Houston Campus President. She began her report by highlighting the TWU Houston buzz after her inauguration and connections to the Texas Medical Center. She concluded her report by providing information on partnerships and community support for TWU Houston.

VI. Report on the Office of the Chancellor and President

Chancellor Carine M. Feyten, Chancellor and President, presented to the Board. Chancellor Feyten stated that TWU continues to focus on being true to its mission and building on its strengths. She then commented on the reports provided to the Board in the Committee and Full Board Meetings, including the R2 designation achieved by TWU. Chancellor Feyten concluded her report with the message that TWU needs to stay laser focused on its mission and vision.

VII. Adjourn Full Board Meeting to Executive Closed Session

Regent McDavid then announced that the Board would recess to Executive Closed Session for Consultation with Attorney Regarding Legal Matters and/or Contemplated Litigation or Settlement Offers pursuant to Section 551.071 of the Texas Government Code. Specifically, she stated that the Board will engage in Consultation with Counsel Regarding Legal Matters, Including Pending, Threatened, and Contemplated Litigation and Settlement Offers.

Regent McDavid also 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 engage in consultation regarding Board of Regents Self-Evaluation and engage in consultation regarding TWU Administration.

The meeting adjourned at **5:36 p.m.**

VIII. 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 McDavid, Chair of the Board of Regents, reconvened the meeting of the Full Board into open session, a quorum being present at **6:19 p.m.** Regent McDavid stated the Board would take any possible action regarding matters discussed in Executive Closed Session.

Regent McDavid stated that the Board would consider approval of delegation of authority to the Secretary to the Board to take appropriate action related to Item B. TWU Administration personnel matters consistent with the Board's discussion in Executive Closed Session and to take any and all further action necessary or advisable to carry out the purpose and intent of this action.

Motion to Approve Delegation of Authority to the Secretary to the Board as described: Regent Hyde motioned and Regent Wilson seconded. The motion passed with a unanimous vote.

IX. Texas Woman's University System Board of Regents Officer Elections

Regent McDavid presided over the Board of Regents Officer Elections for the 2025-2027 term.

Regent Hyde nominated Regent Wright for the position of Board Chair and Presiding Officer. There were no other nominations for the Board Chair and Presiding Officer position. Regent McDavid announced that Regent Wright is the Board's new Board Chair and Presiding Officer.

Regent Wilson nominated Regent Amirkhan for the position of Vice Chair and Assistant Presiding Officer. There were no other nominations for the Vice Chair and Assistant Presiding Officer position. Regent McDavid announced that Regent Amirkhan is the Board's new Board Vice Chair and Assistant Presiding Officer.

Regent Wright stated that she was looking forward to serving in this capacity and then announced that Regent Coleman was appointed as Chair of the Academic Affairs Committee for a two-year term.

X. Future Business

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

XI. Regents' Remarks

Regent McDavid told the Board that the next Board of Regents meeting is scheduled for May 15 and 16, 2025 on the Dallas Campus.

XII. Adjourn Full Board Meeting

With no further business coming before the Board of Regents, Regent McDavid adjourned the Board of Regents meeting at **6:26 p.m.**