

**TEXAS HIGHER EDUCATION COORDINATING BOARD**

**MINUTES**

**April 23, 2020**

**Regular Quarterly Meeting**

**Via Conference Call**

**The Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board convened at 10:03 a.m. on April 23, 2020, with the following members present Stuart Stedman, presiding; Javaid Anwar; Cody Campbell; Fred Farias; Ricky Raven; Emma Schwartz; Sam Torn; Donna Williams; Welcome Wilson; and Lauren McKenzie.**

**Members absent: None**

<b>AGENDA ITEM</b>	<b>ACTION</b>
<b>I. Call to order: Opening Remarks</b>	<p>Mr. Stedman called the teleconference meeting of the Coordinating Board to order and called the role. All members were present. A quorum was met for this board meeting</p> <p>Mr. Stedman announced that agenda item VI-C, consideration of adopting the Committee's recommendation to the Board relating to the guidelines for the 2020 Texas Higher Education Star Awards, had been withdrawn.</p>
A. Consideration of a Resolution of Appreciation for Student Representative, Lauren C. McKenzie	<p>This item was approved on the Consent Calendar. Mr. Stedman invited Ms. McKenzie to attend the July Quarterly Board Meeting to receive her resolution in person.</p> <p>A copy of the resolution can be found as Attachment A to these minutes.</p>
B. Commissioner's Remarks	No action required
<b>II. Public Testimony</b>	
A. Public Testimony	No action required
<b>III. Approval of Minutes</b>	
A. January 14, 2020, Board Retreat	On a motion by Mr. Raven, seconded by Mr. Wilson, the Board approved the January 14, 2020, Board Retreat minutes. The vote was unanimous.
B. January 23, 2020, Quarterly Board Meeting	On a motion by Ms. Schwartz, seconded by Ms. Williams, the Board approved the January 23, 2020, Quarterly Board Meeting minutes. The vote was unanimous.

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<b>IV. Approval of the Consent Calendar</b>	
A. Consent Calendar	<p>On a motion by Mr. Raven, seconded by Dr. Farias, the Board approved the Consent Calendar. The vote was unanimous.</p> <p>Items approved on the consent calendar were: I-A, VI-B, VI-D(1-6), VI-E, VI-F, VI-G, VI-H, VI-I, VI-J, VI-K(1), VII-D, and VII-E(1-6)</p>
<b>V. Matters relating to the Full Board</b>	
A. Discussion and consideration of changing the name of the Committee on Affordability, Accountability and Planning	<p>On a motion by Mr. Torn, seconded by Mr. Anwar, the Board approved changing the name of the Committee on Affordability, Accountability and Planning to the Committee on Innovation, Data, and Educational Analytics (IDEA), effective July 22, 2020. The vote was unanimous.</p>
<b>VI. Matters Relating to the Committee on Academic Workforce and Success</b>	
A. Committee Chair's Overview	No action required.
B. Consideration of adopting the Committee's recommendation to the Board relating to the report on the Fiscal Year 2020 Annual Review of Low-Producing Program	This item was approved on the Consent Calendar.
C. Consideration of adopting the Committee's recommendation to the Board relating to the guidelines for the 2020 Texas Higher Education Star Awards	This item was withdrawn.
<p>D. Consideration of adopting the Committee's recommendation to the Board relating to requests for a new degree program:</p> <p>TEXAS A&amp;M INTERNATIONAL UNIVERSITY (1) Bachelor of Science (BS) degree with a major in Computer Engineering</p> <p>TEXAS A&amp;M INTERNATIONAL UNIVERSITY (2) Bachelor of Science (BS) degree with a major in Petroleum Engineering</p> <p>TARLETON STATE UNIVERSITY (3) Master of Science (MS) in Computer Engineering</p>	<p>This item was approved on the Consent Calendar.</p> <p>This item was approved on the Consent Calendar.</p> <p>This item was approved on the Consent Calendar.</p>

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<p>THE UNIVERSITY OF NORTH TEXAS (4) Master of Science (MS) in Engineering Management</p> <p>THE UNIVERSITY OF TEXAS PERMIAN BASIN (5) Master of Science (MS) degree with a major in Mechanical Engineering</p> <p>THE UNIVERSITY OF TEXAS RIO GRANDE VALLEY (6) Doctor of Physical Therapy (DPT) with a major in Physical Therapy</p>	<p>This item was approved on the Consent Calendar.</p> <p>This item was approved on the Consent Calendar.</p> <p>This item was approved on the Consent Calendar.</p>
<p>E. Report to the Board on school closures and/or teach-outs pursuant to Chapter 7, Subchapter A, Section 7.7(5) of Board Rules</p>	<p>This item was approved on the Consent Calendar.</p>
<p>F. Consideration of adopting the Committee's recommendation to the Board relating to the appointment of member(s) to the Workforce Education Course Manual Advisory Committee</p>	<p>This item was approved on the Consent Calendar.</p>
<p>G. Consideration of adopting the Committee's recommendation to the Board relating to the appointment of student representatives to the Apply Texas Advisory Committee, the Learning Technology Advisory Committee, the Graduate Education Advisory Committee, and the Undergraduate Education Advisory Committee</p>	<p>This item was approved on the Consent Calendar.</p>
<p>H. Consideration of adopting the Committee's recommendation to the Board relating to the appointment of member(s) to the Advisory Council on Postsecondary Education for Persons with Intellectual and Developmental Disabilities</p>	<p>This item was approved on the Consent Calendar.</p>
<p>I. Consideration of adopting the Committee's recommendation to the Board relating to the appointment of members to the Texas Application for State Financial Aid Advisory Committee</p>	<p>This item was approved on the Consent Calendar.</p>
<p>J. Report on institutional requests acted on by the Commissioner or Assistant Commissioner since the last Board meeting</p>	<p>This item was approved on the Consent Calendar.</p>
<p>K. Proposed Rules: (1) Consideration of adopting the Committee's recommendation to the Board relating to the proposed repeal of Chapter 4, Subchapter J, Sections</p>	<p>This item was approved on the Consent Calendar. A copy of the Board rules as adopted may be found in the agenda materials</p>

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4.191-4.196 of Board rules concerning the Work-Study Student Mentorship Program	
<b>VII. Matters relating to the Committee on Affordability, Accountability and Planning</b>	
A. Committee Chair’s Overview	No action required.
B. Consideration of adopting the Committee’s recommendation to the Board relating to funding formulas for use by the Governor and the Legislative Budget Board in making appropriations recommendations to the appropriate Legislative Committees	<p>On a motion by Mr. Torn, seconded by Dr. Farias, the Board approved the Committee’s recommendation relating to funding formulas for use by the Governor and the Legislative Budget Board in making appropriations recommendations to the appropriate Legislative Committees. The vote was unanimous.</p> <p>Dr. Julie Eklund, Assistant Commissioner for Strategic Planning, was available for questions.</p>
C. Consideration of adopting the Committee’s recommendation to the Board relating to the annual report about the financial condition of the state’s community college districts ( <i>H.B. 1, 86th Texas Legislature, Regular Session, Rider 12, III-219</i> )	<p>On a motion by Mr. Wilson, seconded by Ms. Schwartz, the Board approved the Committee’s recommendation relating to the annual report about the financial condition of the state’s community college districts. The vote was unanimous.</p> <p>Dr. Julie Eklund, Assistant Commissioner for Strategic Planning, was available for questions.</p>
D. Consideration of adopting the Committee’s recommendation to the Board relating to the appointment of a student representative to the Financial Aid Advisory Committee	This item was approved on the Consent Calendar.
<p>E. Proposed Rules:</p> <p>(1) Consideration of adopting the Committee’s recommendation to the Board relating to proposed amendments to Chapter 21, Subchapter C, Section 21.49 of Board rules, concerning Student Loan Debt Disclosure</p> <p>(2) Consideration of adopting the Committee’s recommendation to the Board relating to proposed amendments to Chapter 22, Subchapter G, Sections 22.127-22.134, and the repeal of Section 22.135 of Board rules, concerning the Texas College Work-Study Program</p> <p>(3) Consideration of adopting the Committee’s recommendation to the Board relating to the proposed repeal of Chapter 22, Subchapter I, Sections 22.169 and 22.174, new rule under</p>	<p>This item was approved on the Consent Calendar. A copy of the Board rules as adopted may be found in the agenda materials</p> <p>This item was approved on the Consent Calendar. A copy of the Board rules as adopted may be found in the agenda materials</p> <p>This item was approved on the Consent Calendar. A copy of the Board rules as adopted may be found in the agenda materials</p>

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<p>Section 22.174, and amendments to Sections 22.163 – 22.168 and 22.170–22.173 of Board rules, concerning Texas Armed Services Scholarship Program</p> <p>(4) Consideration of adopting the Committee’s recommendation to the Board relating to the proposed repeal of Chapter 22, Subchapter M, Sections 22.257-22.261, 22.263, and 22.265, new rules under Sections 22.257-22.261, and amendments to Sections 22.253-22.256 of Board rules, concerning Texas Educational Opportunity Grant Program</p> <p>(5) Consideration of adopting the Committee’s recommendation to the Board relating to proposed amendments to Chapter 22, Subchapter X, Sections 22.625, 22.626, and 22.631 and the repeal of Sections 22.627-22.630, 22.632, and 22.642-22.643 of Board rules, concerning the Teach for Texas Conditional Grant Program</p> <p>(6) Consideration of adopting the Committee’s recommendation to the Board relating to proposed amendments to Chapter 22, Subchapter Y, Sections 22.663, 22.664, and 22.668, and the repeal of Chapter 22, Subchapter Y, Sections 22.665-22.667, 22.669, and 22.678-22.679 of Board rules, concerning The Teach for Texas Alternative</p>	<p>This item was approved on the Consent Calendar. A copy of the Board rules as adopted may be found in the agenda materials</p> <p>This item was approved on the Consent Calendar. A copy of the Board rules as adopted may be found in the agenda materials</p> <p>This item was approved on the Consent Calendar. A copy of the Board rules as adopted may be found in the agenda materials</p>
<p><b>VIII Adjournment</b></p>	

With no further business, on a motion by Mr. Raven, seconded by Mr. Anwar, the meeting adjourned at approximately 10:38 a.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Ricky A. Raven  
Secretary of the Board

**ATTACHMENT A**



## Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board

### Resolution of Appreciation *Lauren C. McKenzie*

**WHEREAS**, Lauren C. McKenzie was appointed as the student representative to the board of the Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board (THECB) by Governor Greg Abbott for a one-year term beginning June 1, 2019; and

**WHEREAS**, during her tenure on the board Ms. McKenzie served as an ex-officio member on the Agency Operations Committee; the Committee on Academic and Workforce Success; and the Committee on Affordability, Accountability and Planning; and

**WHEREAS**, the THECB values the input, ideas, and feedback from students on higher education policy, particularly those policies that have a direct impact on students; and

**WHEREAS**, Ms. McKenzie contributed to productive exchanges of information and ideas within the committees she served and with invited guests of the board with professionalism and a focus on advocacy for students enrolled in higher education in Texas; and

**WHEREAS**, during her term, Ms. McKenzie made insightful and knowledgeable observations and comments, posed thoughtful questions, and sought clarifications and information on behalf of students across the state;

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED**, that the members of the Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board, on the 23rd day of April, 2020, express our deepest appreciation to Lauren C. McKenzie for her distinguished service as an influential member of the Board and her unwavering dedication to higher education for all the people of Texas; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the resolution be included in the minutes, and that a copy of the resolution, signed by the board members of the Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board, be presented to Lauren McKenzie in recognition of the high esteem in which she is held.

