

**TEXAS HIGHER EDUCATION COORDINATING BOARD**

**MINUTES**

**January 23, 2020**

**Regular Quarterly Meeting  
1200 East Anderson Lane, Austin, Texas**

**The Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board convened at 8:33 a.m. on January 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 meeting of the Coordinating Board to order and made opening remarks. A quorum was met for this board meeting.</p> <p>Senator Kirk Watson presented a memorial proclamation on behalf of the members of the Senate Committee on Higher Education to the family of Dr. Rex Peebles. A copy of the proclamation can be found as Attachment A to these minutes. No action required.</p>
A. Introduction of New Board Member, Mr. Cody Campbell	The Board Members welcomed Mr. Cody Campbell. No action required.
B. Committee Appointments	<p>Mr. Stedman announced the following committee appointments:</p> <p><b>Effective Wednesday, January 22, 2020.</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Ms. Schwartz as Vice Chair of the Agency Operations Committee.</li><li>• Mr. Anwar as member of the Agency Operations Committee.</li><li>• Mr. Campbell as member of the Agency Operations Committee, and member of the Committee on Academic Workforce and Success.</li></ul> <p><b>Effective Thursday, January 23, 2020.</b></p> <p>Mr. Stedman removed himself as a voting member from the Agency Operations Committee, the Committee on Affordability, Accountability, and Planning, and the Committee on Academic Workforce and Success. Mr. Stedman remains on all three Committees as an ex-officio member.</p>

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C. Commissioner's Remarks	<p>The Commissioner announced the following staff appointments:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Deputy Commissioner and Chief of Staff, Rey Rodriguez.</li> <li>• Deputy Chief of Staff, Liz Bolin</li> <li>• Deputy Commissioner, Academic Affairs and Workforce Education, Ray Martinez, J.D.</li> <li>• Deputy Commissioner, Data Analytics and Innovation, Lori Fey.</li> <li>• Deputy Commissioner, Special Projects, David Gardner, Ph.D.</li> <li>• Associate Commissioner, Development, Melissa Henderson</li> <li>• Assistant Commissioner, Academic Quality and Workforce, Stacey Silverman, Ph.D.</li> <li>• Senior Director, Strategic Finance Policy, Amy Peterson</li> <li>• Senior Director, Project Management Office, Leslie Hall</li> </ul>
<b>II. Approval of Minutes</b>	
<p>A. Quarterly Board Meeting, October 24, 2019</p> <p>B. Special Called Board Meeting, December 11, 2019</p>	<p>On a motion by Mr. Raven, seconded by Dr. Farias, the Board approved the October 24, 2019, Board Meeting minutes.</p> <p>On a motion by Ms. Williams, seconded by Mr. Anwar, the Board approved the December 11, 2019, Special Called Board Meeting minutes.</p>
<b>III. Approval of the Consent Calendar</b>	
A. Consent Calendar	<p>On a motion by Mr. Raven, seconded by Mr. Anwar, the Board approved the Consent Calendar. Items approved on the consent calendar were: VII-E, VII-F, VII-G, IX-C, IX-H, IX-I, IX-J, IX-L, IX-P, IX-Q(1), IX-Q(2), IX-Q(3), IX-Q(4), IX-Q(5), IX-R(1), IX-R(2), X-C(1), X-C(2), X-C(3), X-C(4), X-C(5), X-C(6), X-C(7), X-C(8), X-C(9), X-C(10), X-C(11), X-C(12), X-C(13), X-C(14), X-C(15), X-C(16), X-C(17), X-C(18), and X-C(19).</p>
<b>IV. Major Policy Discussion</b>	
A. Update on the implementation of House Bill 3, 86th Texas Legislature, and implications for higher education	Mr. Stedman announced that Agenda Item IV-A would be taken out of order later in the meeting.

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<b>V. Recognition of Excellence</b>	
A. Texas Space Grant Consortium and the NASA design challenge	Dr. Timothy J. Urban, Director of TSGC and Research Associate at the University of Texas Center for Space Research, gave a presentation on the Texas Space Grant Consortium and the NASA design challenge. No action required.
<b>VI. Matters relating to the Full Board</b>	
A. Discussion and consideration of the timing of Coordinating Board committee meetings relative to full Board meetings, including possible selection of meeting dates	<p>On a motion by Mr. Raven, seconded by Ms. Schwartz, the Board approved the selection of the following meeting dates for 2020-2021.</p> <p><b>Quarterly Board Meetings:</b>  Thursday, April 23, 2020  Thursday, July 23, 2020  Thursday, October 22, 2020  Thursday, January 21, 2021  Thursday, April 22, 2021  Thursday, July 22, 2021  Thursday, October 21, 2021</p> <p><b>Committee Meetings (CAAP, CAWS, and AOC):</b>  Wednesday, April 22, 2020  Wednesday, July 22, 2020  Wednesday, October 21, 2020  Wednesday, January 20, 2021  Wednesday, April 21, 2021  Wednesday, July 21, 2021  Wednesday, October 20, 2021</p>
<b>VII. Matters Relating to the Committee on Affordability, Accountability and Planning</b>	
A. Committee Chair's Overview	No action required.
B. Public Testimony on Items Relating to the Committee on Affordability, Accountability and Planning	No action required.
C. <i>60x30TX</i> Data Insight: Career and Technical Education (CTE) Completions	Dr. Julie Eklund, Assistant Commissioner for Strategic Planning and Funding gave a presentation on <i>60x30TX</i> Data Insight: Career and Technical Education (CTE) Completions. No action required.
D. Report on facilities projects that were submitted to the Coordinating Board	Dr. Julie Eklund, Assistant Commissioner was available to answer questions. No action required.
E. Report on Financial Aid Advisory Committee activities	This item was approved on the Consent Calendar.
F. Consideration of adopting the Committee's recommendation to the Board relating to the approval of	This item was approved on the Consent Calendar.

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the nominated member of the Financial Aid Advisory Committee	
<p>G. Proposed rules adopted as emergency rules at the October 2019 Board meeting:</p> <p>(1) Consideration of adopting the Committee’s recommendation to the Board relating to the proposed new rules to Chapter 22, Subchapter BB, Section 22.751 through 22.757 of Board rules, concerning the establishment of the Nursing Shortage Reduction Program Rider 28 Study Work Group</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>
<b>VIII. Lunch</b>	<p>Agenda Item VIII-A taken out of order later in the meeting.</p>
<b>IX. Matters relating to the Committee on Academic and Workforce Success</b>	
A. Committee Chair’s Overview	No action required.
B. Public Testimony on Items Relating to the Committee on Academic and Workforce Success	No action required.
C. Consideration of adopting the staff recommendation to the Board relating to the 2019 report on the National Research University Fund	<p>This item was approved on the Consent Calendar.</p>
<p>D. Consideration of adopting the Committee’s recommendation to the Board relating to requests for new degree programs:</p> <p>TEXAS A&amp;M UNIVERSITY-TEXARKANA</p> <p>(1) Bachelor of Science (BS) degree with a major in Mechanical Engineering</p> <p>THE UNIVERSITY OF TEXAS AT TYLER</p> <p>(2) Doctor of Education (EdD) degree with a major in School Improvement</p> <p>UNIVERSITY OF HOUSTON</p> <p>(3) Bachelor of Science (BS) degree with a major in Computer Engineering and Analytics</p> <p>UNIVERSITY OF HOUSTON</p> <p>(4) Bachelor of Science (BS) degree with a major in Construction Engineering</p>	<p>On a motion by Mr. Raven, seconded by Mr. Torn, the Board approved the new degree program. Dr. Stacey Silverman, Assistant Commissioner for Academic Quality and Workforce, presented this item and was available for questions.</p> <p>On a motion by Ms. Williams, seconded by Mr. Anwar, the Board approved the new degree program. Dr. Stacey Silverman, Assistant Commissioner for Academic Quality and Workforce, presented this item and was available for questions.</p> <p>On a motion by Mr. Raven, seconded by Mr. Wilson, the Board approved the new degree program. Dr. Stacey Silverman, Assistant Commissioner for Academic Quality and Workforce, presented this item and was available for questions.</p> <p>On a motion by Ms. Schwartz, seconded by Ms. Williams, the Board approved the new degree program. Dr. Stacey Silverman, Assistant Commissioner for Academic Quality and Workforce, presented this item and was available for questions.</p>

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UNIVERSITY OF HOUSTON (5) Bachelor of Science (BS) degree with a major in Systems Engineering	On a motion by Mr. Raven, seconded by Ms. Schwartz, the Board approved the new degree program. Dr. Stacey Silverman, Assistant Commissioner for Academic Quality and Workforce, presented this item and was available for questions.
E. Consideration of adopting the Committee's recommendation to the Board relating to changes in the <i>Lower-Division Academic Course Guide Manual (ACGM)</i>	On a motion by Ms. Williams, seconded by Mr. Raven, the Board approved the changes in the Lower-Division Academic Course Guide Manual (ACGM). Dr. Stacey Silverman, Assistant Commissioner for Academic Quality and Workforce, presented this item and was available for questions.
F. Consideration of adopting the Committee's recommendation to the Board relating to the request from Vernon College for a Branch Campus Maintenance Tax Election	On a motion by Mr. Wilson, seconded by Mr. Campbell, the Board approved the request from Vernon College for a Branch Campus Maintenance Tax Election. Dr. Stacey Silverman, Assistant Commissioner for Academic Quality and Workforce, presented this item and was available for questions.
G. Consideration of adopting the Certification Advisory Council's, the Commissioner's, and the Committee's recommendation to the Board relating to a request from Southwest School of Art for a fourth Certificate of Authority to grant degrees in Texas	On a motion by Ms. Williams, seconded by Ms. Schwartz, the Board approved the request from Southwest School of Art for a fourth Certificate of Authority to grant degrees in Texas. Dr. Stacey Silverman, Assistant Commissioner for Academic Quality and Workforce, presented this item and was available for questions.
H. Consideration of adopting the Committee's recommendation to the Board relating to the July 2019 Annual Compliance Reports for institutions under a Certificate of Authorization (Names beginning with "P" through "Z")	This item was approved on the Consent Calendar.
I. Report to the Board on school closures and/or teach-outs pursuant to Chapter 7, Subchapter A, Section 7.7(5)	This item was approved on the Consent Calendar.
J. Consideration of adopting the Committee's recommendation to the Board relating to approval to fund Grad TX activities designed to help meet the completion goal of <i>60x30TX</i>	This item was approved on the Consent Calendar.
K. Consideration of adopting the Committee's recommendation to the Board relating to approval to issue a Request for Proposals for the Evaluation of Corequisite Models required by the Texas Success Initiative	On a motion by Mr. Raven, seconded by Ms. Williams, the Board approved issuing a Request for Proposals for the Evaluation of Corequisite Models required by the Texas Success Initiative. Dr. Stacey Silverman, Assistant Commissioner for Academic Quality and Workforce, presented this item and was available for questions

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<p>L. Consideration of adopting the Committee’s recommendation to the Board relating to approval to issue a Request for Proposals for the Developmental Education Program</p>	<p>This item was approved on the Consent Calendar.</p>
<p>M. Consideration of adopting the Committee’s recommendation to the Board relating to approval to issue a Request for Applications for the Nursing, Allied Health and Other Health-related Education Grant Program</p>	<p>On a motion by Mr. Campbell, seconded by Ms. Schwartz, the Board approved issuing a Request for Applications for the Nursing, Allied Health and Other Health-related Education Grant Program. Dr. Stacey Silverman, Assistant Commissioner for Academic Quality and Workforce, presented this item and was available for questions</p>
<p>N. Consideration of adopting the Committee’s recommendation to the Board relating to approval to issue a Request for Applications for the Carl D. Perkins Career and Technical Education Basic Grant Program</p>	<p>On a motion by Mr. Wilson, seconded by Ms. Williams, the Board approved issuing a Request for Applications for the Carl D. Perkins Career and Technical Education Basic Grant Program. Dr. Stacey Silverman, Assistant Commissioner for Academic Quality and Workforce, presented this item and was available for questions</p>
<p>O. Consideration of adopting the Committee’s recommendation to the Board relating to approval to issue a Request for Applications for the Carl D. Perkins Career and Technical Leadership Grant Program</p>	<p>On a motion by Mr. Raven, seconded by Mr. Campbell, the Board approved issuing a Request for Applications for the Carl D. Perkins Career and Technical Leadership Grant Program. Dr. Stacey Silverman, Assistant Commissioner for Academic Quality and Workforce, presented this item and was available for questions</p>
<p>P. 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>Proposed Rules:</p> <p>(1) Consideration of adopting the Committee’s recommendation to the Board relating to the proposed amendments to Chapter 7, Subchapter A, Sections 7.3, 7.4, 7.5, 7.6, 7.7, 7.8 and 7.11 of Board rules, concerning Financial Protections for Student Tuition and Fees</p> <p>(2) Consideration of adopting the Committee’s recommendation to the Board relating to the proposed new rule for Chapter 7, Subchapter A, Section 7.16 of Board rules, concerning Financial Protections for Student Tuition and Fees</p> <p>(3) Consideration of adopting the Committee’s recommendation to the Board relating to the proposed new rules for Chapter 1, Subchapter BB,</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>Sections 1.9100 – 1.9106 of Board rules, concerning the establishment of the Texas Application for Student Financial Aid (TASFA) Advisory Committee (House Bill 2140, 86th Texas Legislature)</p> <p>(4) Consideration of adopting the Committee’s recommendation to the Board relating to the proposed new rules for Chapter 21, Subchapter W, Sections 21.700 – 21.707 of Board rules, concerning the Texas Working Off-Campus: Reinforcing Knowledge and Skills (WORKS) Internship Program (House Bill 3808, 86th Texas Legislature)</p> <p>(5) Consideration of adopting the Committee’s recommendation to the Board relating to proposed amendments to Chapter 6, Subchapter C, Section 6.73 of Board rules, concerning institutional eligibility under the Nursing, Allied Health and Other Health-related Education Grant Program (House Bill 1401, 86th Texas Legislature)</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>R. Proposed Rules adopted as emergency rules at the October 2019 Board Meeting</p> <p>(1) Consideration of adopting the Committee’s recommendation to the Board relating to the proposed new Chapter 1, Subchapter DD of Board rules, concerning the Title IX Training Advisory Committee (Senate Bill 212 and House Bill 1735, 86th Texas Legislature)</p> <p>(2) Consideration of adopting the Committee’s recommendation to the Board relating to the proposed new Chapter 1, Subchapter EE of Board rules, concerning the Study and Report on Core Curriculum Advisory Committee (Senate Bill 25, Sections 8-10, 86th Texas Legislature)</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>S. Consideration of adopting the Information Technology Program of Study Advisory Committee’s recommendation to the Board relating to courses required for the Cloud Computing Program of Study</p>	<p>On a motion by Mr. Wilson, seconded by Mr. Raven, the Board approved the Information Technology Program of Study Advisory Committee’s recommendation to the Board relating to courses required for the Cloud Computing Program of Study. Dr. Stacey Silverman, Assistant Commissioner for Academic Quality and Workforce, presented this item and was available for questions</p>
<p>T. Consideration of adopting the Information Technology Program of Study Advisory Committee’s recommendation to the Board relating to courses required for the Cloud Support and Cybersecurity Program of Study</p>	<p>On a motion by Mr. Anwar, seconded by Mr. Raven, the Board approved the Information Technology Program of Study Advisory Committee’s recommendation to the Board relating to courses required for the Cloud Support and Cybersecurity</p>

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	Program of Study. Dr. Stacey Silverman, Assistant Commissioner for Academic Quality and Workforce, presented this item and was available for questions
U. Consideration of adopting the Information Technology Program of Study Advisory Committee's recommendation to the Board relating to courses required for the Cloud Computing Data Science Program of Study	On a motion by Mr. Wilson, seconded by Mr. Raven, the Board approved the Information Technology Program of Study Advisory Committee's recommendation to the Board relating to courses required for the Cloud Computing Data Science Program of Study. Dr. Stacey Silverman, Assistant Commissioner for Academic Quality and Workforce, presented this item and was available for questions
V. Consideration of adopting the Information Technology Program of Study Advisory Committee's recommendation to the Board relating to courses required for the Cloud Computing Data Analysis Program of Study	On a motion by Mr. Raven, seconded by Mr. Anwar, the Board approved the Information Technology Program of Study Advisory Committee's recommendation to the Board relating to courses required for the Cloud Computing Data Analysis Program of Study. Dr. Stacey Silverman, Assistant Commissioner for Academic Quality and Workforce, presented this item and was available for questions
<b>IV. Major Policy Discussion</b>	
A. Update on the implementation of House Bill 3, 86th Texas Legislature, and implications for higher education.	Commissioner of Education, Mike Morath, provided an update on the implementation of House Bill 3, 86th Texas Legislature, and implications for higher education. No action required.
<b>VIII. Lunch</b>	The meeting adjourned for lunch at 12:03 PM and re-convened at 12:32 PM.
<b>X. Matters relating to the Agency Operation's Committee</b>	
A. Committee Chair's Overview	An overview of the Committee's activities was presented to the Board by Mr. Raven, Chair of the Agency Operations Committee.
B. Public Testimony on Items Relating to the Agency Operation's Committee	Mr. Raven announced that one individual was registered for public testimony in support of <b>Agenda Item X-D Consideration of adopting the Committee's recommendation to the Board relating to approval of a request from the University of North Texas to establish a branch campus in Frisco, Texas.</b> Public testimony will be heard later in the agenda following the staff presentation of this item.




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<p>C. Four-year review of Coordinating Board Rules:</p> <p>(1) Consideration of adopting the Committee’s recommendation to the Board relating to the four-year review of Coordinating Board Rules, Chapter 1, Agency Administration</p> <p>(2) Consideration of adopting the Committee’s recommendation to the Board relating to the four-year review of Coordinating Board Rules, Chapter 3, Rules Applying to All Public and Private or Independent Institutions of Higher Education in Texas Regarding Electronic Reporting Option for Certain Offenses; Amnesty</p> <p>(3) Consideration of adopting the Committee’s recommendation to the Board relating to the four-year review of Coordinating Board Rules, Chapter 4, Rules Applying to All Public Institutions of Higher Education in Texas</p> <p>(4) Consideration of adopting the Committee’s recommendation to the Board relating to the four-year review of Coordinating Board Rules, Chapter 5, Rules Applying to Public Universities, Health-Related Institutions, and/or Selected Public Colleges of Higher Education in Texas</p> <p>(5) Consideration of adopting the Committee’s recommendation to the Board relating to the four-year review of Coordinating Board Rules, Chapter 6, Health Education, Training, and Research Funds</p> <p>(6) Consideration of adopting the Committee’s recommendation to the Board relating to the four-year review of Coordinating Board Rules, Chapter 7, Degree Granting Colleges and Universities Other Than Texas Public Institutions</p> <p>(7) Consideration of adopting the Committee’s recommendation to the Board relating to the four-year review of Coordinating Board Rules, Chapter 8, Creation, Expansion, Dissolution, or Conservatorship of Public Community College Districts</p> <p>(8) Consideration of adopting the Committee’s recommendation to the Board relating to the four-year review of Coordinating Board Rules, Chapter 9, Program Development in Public Two-Year Colleges</p> <p>(9) Consideration of adopting the Committee’s recommendation to the Board relating to the four-year review of Coordinating Board Rules, Chapter 11, Texas State Technical College System</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>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>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>(10) Consideration of adopting the Committee’s recommendation to the Board relating to the four-year review of Coordinating Board Rules, Chapter 13, Financial Planning</p> <p>(11) Consideration of adopting the Committee’s recommendation to the Board relating to the four-year review of Coordinating Board Rules, Chapter 14, Research Funding Programs</p> <p>(12) Consideration of adopting the Committee’s recommendation to the Board relating to the four-year review of Coordinating Board Rules, Chapter 15, National Research Universities</p> <p>(13) Consideration of adopting the Committee’s recommendation to the Board relating to the four-year review of Coordinating Board Rules, Chapter 17, Facilities</p> <p>(14) Consideration of adopting the Committee’s recommendation to the Board relating to the four-year review of Coordinating Board Rules, Chapter 21, Student Services</p> <p>(15) Consideration of adopting the Committee’s recommendation to the Board relating to the four-year review of Coordinating Board Rules, Chapter 22, Student Financial Aid Programs</p> <p>(16) Consideration of adopting the Committee’s recommendation to the Board relating to the four-year review of Coordinating Board Rules, Chapter 23, Education Loan Repayment Programs</p> <p>(17) Consideration of adopting the Committee’s recommendation to the Board relating to the four-year review of Coordinating Board Rules, Chapter 25, Optional Retirement Program</p> <p>(18) Consideration of adopting the Committee’s recommendation to the Board relating to the four-year review of Coordinating Board Rules, Chapter 26, Programs of Study</p> <p>(19) Consideration of adopting the Committee’s recommendation to the Board relating to the four-year review of Coordinating Board Rules, Chapter 27, Fields of Study</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>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>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>D. Consideration of adopting the Committee’s recommendation to the Board relating to approval of a request from the University of North Texas to establish a branch campus in Frisco, Texas</p>	<p>Mr. Raven announced that this agenda item would typically fall under the Committee for Academic Workforce and Success, but due to the timing and need for action, this item was placed under the Agency Operations Committee. Mr. Raven passed the meeting to Dr. Farias, Chair of the</p>

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	<p>Committee on Academic Workforce and Success, to lead the discussion.</p> <p>Public testimony was heard from Mr. Ron Patterson, President of Frisco Economic Development Corp. Mr. Patterson spoke in support of Agenda Item V-D.</p> <p>On a motion by Mr. Raven, seconded by Mr. Anwar, the Board approved the request from the University of North Texas to establish a branch campus in Frisco, Texas. Dr. Stacey Silverman, Assistant Commissioner for Academic Quality and Workforce, presented this item and was available for questions.</p> <p>Dr. Farias handed the meeting back to Mr. Raven.</p>
<p>E. Consideration of adopting the Committee’s recommendation to the Board for approval to enter into a five-year lease agreement to secure the current agency location with 1200 Anderson Partners with an early termination clause option</p>	<p>On a motion by Mr. Anwar, seconded by Dr. Farias, the Committee adopted the Committee’s recommendation to enter into a five-year lease agreement to secure the current agency location with 1200 Anderson Partners with an early termination clause option. Mr. Ken Martin, Assistant Commissioner for Financial Services/CFO, presented this item and was available for questions.</p>
<p><b>X. Adjournment</b></p>	

With no further business, on a motion by Mr. Wilson, seconded by Mr. Raven, the meeting adjourned at approximately 12:55 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,



Ricky A. Raven  
Secretary of the Board

**ATTACHMENT A**



# The Senate of The State of Texas

## SENATE PROCLAMATION NO. 260

### In Memory of Rex Charles Peebles

**WHEREAS**, The Senate of the State of Texas honors and commemorates the life of Dr. Rex Charles Peebles, who died September 23, 2019, at the age of 65; and

**WHEREAS**, Rex Peebles was born on October 18, 1953, in Dallas, to Charles and Mae Peebles; he served the nation with distinction as a member of the United States Marine Corps, where he developed the commitment, discipline, and work ethic that were at the foundation of his long and distinguished career as a leader in the field of higher education; and

**WHEREAS**, Dr. Peebles served at Austin Community College for 20 years in a wide variety of roles; he served as a faculty member, the head of the Government Department, the president of the faculty senate, and the college-wide dean of Social and Behavioral Sciences; and

**WHEREAS**, He went on to work as vice president of instruction at Midland College before joining the Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board, where he served as assistant commissioner for Academic Quality and Workforce; during his tenure on the board, he played a vital role in creating and implementing thoughtful, effective policies for higher education and in fostering collaboration between legislators and the state's colleges and universities; and

**WHEREAS**, He was a vocal and influential leader in a number of professional organizations, including the Texas Community College Teachers Association, and he was active in the Liberal Education and America's Promise initiative at both the national and state levels; he was in much demand as a presenter at conferences and seminars, and he was the coauthor of *Texas Politics and Government: Ideas, Institutions, and Policies* and the author of *The Theoria and Praxis of Obligations to Future Generations*; and

**WHEREAS**, Dr. Peebles touched the lives of many and was blessed with a wonderful family; his beloved wife of 40 years, Sandra, and his two daughters, Natalie and Nicole, were a source of much pride and joy for him; and

**WHEREAS**, A man of wit, wisdom, compassion, and loyalty, he gave unselfishly to others, and his generous spirit, his commitment to his vision and work, and his enthusiasm for living each day to the fullest will not be forgotten by those who were privileged to share in his life; and

**WHEREAS**, He was a devoted son, husband, and father, and he leaves behind memories that will be treasured forever by his family and countless friends; now, therefore, be it

**PROCLAIMED,** That the Senate of the State of Texas hereby extend sincere condolences to the bereaved family of Dr. Rex Charles Peebles; and, be it further

**PROCLAIMED,** That a copy of this Proclamation be prepared for his family as an expression of deepest sympathy from the Texas Senate.

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I hereby certify that the above Proclamation was adopted.

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Secretary of the Senate