

TEXAS HIGHER EDUCATION COORDINATING BOARD
MINUTES

Regular Quarterly Meeting
1200 East Anderson Lane, Austin, Texas
January 26, 2017

The Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board convened at 8:30 a.m. on January 26, 2017, with the following members present: Bobby Jenkins, presiding; Arcilia Acosta; Javaid Anwar; Fred Farias; Janelle Shepard; Stuart Stedman; John Steen; David Teuscher; and Haley Delagarza.

Members not present: Ricky Raven

AGENDA ITEM	ACTION
I. Call to order: Opening Remarks, Announcements and Appointments	Mr. Jenkins called the meeting of the Coordinating Board to order. He advised the Board that Mr. Raven was unable to attend the board meeting due to his duties requiring his attention elsewhere and asked that a motion be made to excuse his absence. On a motion by Mr. Stedman, seconded by Mr. Steen the Board excused the absence of Mr. Raven.
A. Commissioner's Remarks	No action required.
B. Strategic Planning Presentation by Chancellor Renu Khator, University of Houston System	No action required. Chancellor Renu Khator provided a presentation on the University of Houston System's strategic plan and how it aligns with the state's higher education plan, 60x30TX. Dr. Bill Staples, President of UH-Clear Lake and Dr. Vic Morgan, UH-Victoria also made presentations to the Board.
C. Presentation on Southwestern University by President and Professor Edward Burger	No action required. Dr. Edward B. Burger, President and Professor, Southwestern University provided a presentation on Southwestern University, a private, four-year, undergraduate, liberal arts college located in Georgetown, Texas.

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II. Approval of Minutes	
A. October 20, 2016, Board Meeting	On a motion by Dr. Teuscher, seconded by Dr. Farias, the Board approved the October 20, 2016, minutes.
B. December 15, 2016, Board Retreat	On a motion by Dr. Teuscher, seconded by Dr. Farias, the Board approved the December 15, 2016 minutes.
III. Approval of the Consent Calendar	
On a motion by Mr. Steen, seconded by Dr. Teuscher, the Board approved the Consent Calendar. Items on the Consent Calendar were: VI-A; VII-I; VII-J; VII-K; IX-D(1); IX-D(3); IX-G; IX-H; IX-I; IX-K; IX-L; IX-M(2); IX-M(3); IX-M(4); IX-M(5); IX-M(6); IX-(7); IX-N; X-C; X-D; and X-E.	
IV. Major Policy Discussion	
A. Georgia State University's success in helping to ensure the success of economically disadvantaged students in reaching their educational goals	No action required. Dr. Mark P. Becker, President, Georgia State University, provided a presentation on Georgia State University's strategic plan and the university's commitment to ensuring that students of all economic backgrounds succeed in achieving their educational goals.
V. Recognition of Excellence	
A. The University of Texas Health Science Center at Houston – Children's Learning Institute	No action required. Dr. Susan H. Landry, Founder and Director of the Children's Learning Institute and Dr. April Crawford, Director of State Initiatives of the Children's Learning Institute provided a presentation on the Children's Learning Institute.
VI. Matters relating to the Full Board	
A. Annual Report on the operations of the College for All Texans Foundation for the year ending August 31, 2016.	This item was approved on the Consent Calendar.

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<p>B. Consideration of adopting the Negotiated Rulemaking Committee’s recommendation relating to amendments to Chapter 22, Subchapter B, Section 22.29 of Board rules concerning the allocation methodology for the Tuition Equalization Grant Program</p>	<p>On a motion by Ms. Shepard, seconded by Dr. Teuscher, the Board approved the amendments to Chapter 22, Subchapter B, Section 22.29. A copy of the Board rules as adopted may be found in the agenda materials.</p>
<p>C. Update on the request for proposals for a third Education Research Center (ERC)</p>	<p>No action required. Dr. Julie Eklund, Assistant Commissioner for Strategic Planning and Funding provided an overview.</p>
VII. Matters Relating to the Committee on Affordability, Accountability and Planning	
<p>A. Committee Chair’s Overview</p>	<p>No action required. An overview of the Committee’s activities was presented to the Board by Dr. Teuscher, Chair of the Committee on Affordability, Accountability and Planning.</p>
<p>B. Public Testimony on Items Relating to the Committee on Affordability, Accountability and Planning</p>	<p>No action required.</p>
<p>C. Consideration of adopting staff recommendation to the Board relating to approval of the Enrollment Forecast</p>	<p>On a motion by Ms. Shepard, seconded by Mr. Stedman, the Board approved the Enrollment Forecast.</p>
<p>D. Consideration of adopting the Committee’s recommendation to the Board relating to approval of the Facilities Audit Report</p>	<p>On a motion by Mr. Stedman, seconded by Mr. Anwar, the Board approved the Facilities Audit Report.</p>
<p>E. Consideration of adopting the staff recommendation to the Board relating to the approval of the Energy Savings Performance Contract for Texas A&M University-Corpus Christi</p>	<p>On a motion by Mr. Anwar, seconded by Ms. Acosta, the Board approved the Energy Savings Performance Contract for Texas A&M University-Corpus Christi.</p>
<p>F. Consideration of adopting the staff recommendation to the Board relating to the delegation of the Energy Savings Performance Contract Review Process</p>	<p>On a motion by Ms. Shepard, seconded by Mr. Anwar, the Board approved the delegation of the Energy Savings Performance contract Review Process.</p>

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G. Report on facilities projects that were submitted to the Coordinating Board	On a motion by Mr. Stedman, seconded by Dr. Farias, the Board approved the report on facilities projects.
H. Report on Financial Aid Advisory Committee activities	No action required.
I. Consideration of adopting the Committee's recommendation to the Board for approval of the nominated members of the Financial Aid Advisory Committee	This item was approved on the Consent Calendar.
J. Consideration of adopting the Committee's recommendation to the Board relating to amendments to Chapter 21, Subchapter RR, Section 21.2243 of the Board rules, concerning the Texas Armed Services Scholarship Program	This item was approved on the Consent Calendar.
K. Consideration of adopting the Committee's recommendation to the Boar relating to moving Chapter 22, Subchapters N, O, P, R, T, and U of Board rules to Chapter 21, Student Services, new Subchapters H, I, L, O, Q, and Z	This item was approved on the Consent Calendar.
VIII. Lunch	
IX. Matters relating to the Committee on Academic and Workforce Success	
A. Committee Chair's Overview	No action required. An overview of the Committee's activities was presented to the Board by Ms. Shepard, Chair of the Committee on Academic and Workforce Success.
B. Public Testimony on Items Relating to the Committee on Academic and Workforce Success	No action required.
C. Consideration of adopting the Committee's recommendation to the Board relating to the Board authorizing the Commissioner of Higher Education to approve proposals for Bachelor of Science in Nursing to Doctor of Nursing Practice (BSN-to-DNP) from institutions with existing DNP programs	On a motion by Ms. Acosta, seconded by Mr. Steen, the Board approved the authorization of the Commissioner of Higher Education to approve proposals for BSN to DNP from institutions with existing DNP programs. Dr. Teuscher opposed this motion.

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<p>D. Consideration of adopting the Committee’s recommendation to the Board relating to requests for a new degree program:</p> <p>TARLETON STATE UNIVERSITY (1) Bachelor of Science (BS) degree with a major in Mechanical Engineering</p> <p>TEXAS TECH UNIVERSITY HEALTH SCIENCES CENTER (2) Bachelor of Science in Nursing (BSN) degree to a Doctor of Nursing Practice (DNP) degree in Nursing Practice</p> <p>THE UNIVERSITY OF TEXAS AT ARLINGTON (3) Bachelor of Science (BS) degree with a major in Construction Management</p>	<p>This item was approved on the Consent Calendar.</p> <p>On a motion by Ms. Acosta, seconded by Mr. Steen, the Board approved the new degree program.</p> <p>This item was approved on the Consent Calendar.</p>
<p>E. Consideration of adopting the Committee’s recommendation to the Board relating to the July 2016 Annual Compliance Reports for institutions under a Certificate of Authorization (Names beginning with “P” through “Z”</p>	<p>On a motion by Ms. Acosta, seconded by Dr. Farias, the Board approved the July 2016 Annual Compliance Reports.</p>
<p>F. Report to the Board on school closures and/or teach-outs pursuant to Chapter 7, Subchapter A, Section 7.7(5)</p>	<p>No action required.</p>
<p>G. Consideration of adopting the Committee’s recommendation to the Board relating to issuance of a Request for Applications for the Engineering Recruitment Program-Engineering Summer Program (ERP-ESP)</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 issuance of a Request for Applications for the Autism Grant Program</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 issuance of additional Request for Applications for the Nursing, Allied Health and Other Health-related Education Grant Program</p>	<p>This item was approved on the Consent Calendar.</p>
<p>J. Consideration of adopting the Committee’s recommendation to the Board relating to changes in the Academic Course Guide Manual (ACGM)</p>	<p>On a motion by Mr. Steen, seconded by Mr. Anwar, the Board approved the changes to the Academic Course Guide Manual (ACGM).</p>

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<p>K. Consideration of adopting the Committee’s recommendation to the Board to authorize the Commissioner of Higher Education to submit the 2016 report on the National Research University Fund to the Comptroller and Legislature</p>	<p>This item was approved on the Consent Calendar.</p>
<p>L. Consideration of adopting the Committee’s recommendation to the Board relating to the appointment of member(s) to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (1) Academic Course Guide Manual Advisory Committee (2) Apply Texas Advisory Committee (3) Certification Advisory Council (4) Graduate Education Advisory Committee (5) Learning Technology Advisory Committee (6) Undergraduate Education Advisory Committee 	<p>This item was approved on the Consent Calendar.</p>
<p>M. Proposed Rules:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (1) Consideration of adopting the Committee’s recommendation to the Board relating to the proposed new Chapter 1, Subchapter T, Sections 1.220 – 1.226 of Board rules concerning the creation of the Workforce Education Course Manual (WECM) Advisory Committee (2) Consideration of adopting the Committee’s recommendation to the Board relating to the proposed amendments to Chapter 5, Subchapter C, Section 5.44 of Board rules concerning the approval of new academic programs at public universities and health-related institutions (3) Consideration of adopting the Committee’s recommendation to the Board relating to the proposed amendments to Chapter 5, Subchapter A, Section 5.5 of Board rules concerning the Uniform Admission Policy (4) Consideration of adopting the Committee’s recommendation to the Board relating to the proposed repeal of Chapter 15, Subchapter B, Sections 15.20 – 15.22 of Board rules concerning the Research University Development Fund 	<p>On a motion by Ms. Acosta, seconded by Mr. Steen, the Board approved the new rules concerning the creation of the Workforce Education Course Manual (WECM) Advisory Committee. 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>(5) Consideration of adopting the Committee’s recommendation to the Board relating to the proposed new Chapter 27, Subchapter I, Sections 27.261 – 27.267 of Board rules concerning the creation of the Computer Science/Information Technology Field of Study Advisory Committee</p> <p>(6) Consideration of adopting the Committee’s recommendation to the Board relating to the proposed new Chapter 27, Subchapter J, Sections 27.281 – 27.287 of Board rules concerning the creation of the Criminal Justice Field of Study Advisory Committee</p> <p>(7) Consideration of adopting the Committee’s recommendation to the Board relating to the proposed new Chapter 27, Subchapter K, Sections 27.301 – 27.307 of Board rules concerning the creation of the Performing Arts/Drama Field of Study Advisory Committee</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>N. Consideration of adopting the Committee’s recommendation to the Board relating to Frank Phillips College to operate a Branch Campus in Dalhart to serve students from Dallam and Hartley Counties</p>	<p>This item was approved on the Consent Calendar.</p>
<p>O. Report on institutional requests acted on by the Commissioner or Assistant Commissioner since the previous Board meeting</p>	<p>No action required.</p>
<p>X. Matters relating to the Agency Operation’s Committee</p>	
<p>A. Committee Chair’s Overview</p>	<p>No action required. An overview of the Committee’s activities was presented to the Board by Mr. Steen, Chair of the Committee on Agency Operations.</p>
<p>B. Public Testimony on Items Relating to the Agency Operation’s Committee</p>	<p>No action required.</p>

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C. Consideration of adopting the Committee's recommendation to the Board relating to amending the Charter for the Agency Operations Committee	This item was approved on the Consent Calendar.
D. Consideration of adopting the Committee's recommendation to the Board relating to the Board Operating Policies and Procedures	This item was approved on the Consent Calendar.
E. Consideration of adopting the Committee's recommendation to the Board relating to the authorization to enter into an agreement with the Office of the Attorney General (OAG) to continue to provide collection services for the agency's student loan program as well as contracts ancillary thereto	This item was approved on the Consent Calendar.
XI. Adjournment	

With no further business, on a motion by Mr. Steen, seconded by Mr. Anwar, the meeting adjourned at approximately 1:24 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

David D. Teuscher, M.D.
Secretary of the Board