

**TEXAS WOMAN'S UNIVERSITY SYSTEM BOARD OF REGENTS
ACADEMIC AFFAIRS COMMITTEE MINUTES
May 16, 2024**

TWU Dallas Campus

T. Boone Pickens Institute of Health Sciences – 3rd Floor, Room 3260 and 2nd Floor, Room 2502

Roll Call:

Present Committee Members:

Regents Hyde (Chair), Amirkhan, Coleman, Shepard, McDavid (ex-officio), and Covarelli (non-voting)

Present Administrators:

Dr. Carine M. Feyten, Chancellor and President; Ms. Monica Christopher, Dallas Campus President; Ms. Katherine A. Antwi, General Counsel, Secretary to the Board of Regents, and Chief Compliance Officer; Dr. Javier Flores, Vice President for Enrollment Management; 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; and Ms. Lisa Rampy, Interim Vice President for University Advancement.

I. Call Academic Affairs Committee Meeting to Order

With a quorum present, Regent Hyde, Chair of the Academic Affairs Committee, called the meeting to order at **2:29 p.m.**

II. Consider Approval of the Minutes of the Academic Affairs Committee Meeting of February 15, 2024

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

The minutes of the Academic Affairs Committee Meeting of **February 15, 2024** were approved as submitted.

III. Presentation

Item A. Introduction of the New Executive Vice President for Academic Affairs and Provost

Chancellor Carine M. Feyten, Chancellor and President, introduced Dr. Angela Bauer, TWU's incoming Executive Vice President for Academic Affairs and Provost, to the Board. Regent Hyde welcomed Dr. Bauer to TWU on behalf of the Board. Regent Hyde also thanked Dr. O. Finley Graves, Interim Executive Vice President for Academic Affairs, for his dedication to TWU.

IV. Agenda

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

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

Item A. Report on Dallas Campus Programs Highlights: Physical Therapy, Occupational Therapy, the College of Nursing, The Stroke Center Dallas, and the College of Business

Ms. Monica Christopher, Dallas Campus President, and Dr. O. Finley Graves, Interim Executive Vice President for Academic Affairs and Provost, introduced a highlight of academic programs on the TWU Dallas Campus. Ms. Christopher provided information to the Board on TWU's Dallas Campus. The report included the following presentations: College of Business: Ms. Lauren Rodgers, 2014 TWU Alumna, M.B.A. and Master of Health Systems Management; The Stroke Center Dallas: Dr. Jyutika Mehta, Professor, Communication Sciences & Oral Health, Director, The Stroke Center; Occupational Therapy: Dr. Asha Vas, Professor and Associate Director, Occupational Therapy; Physical Therapy: Dr. Alyssa LaForme Fiss, Professor and Director, Physical Therapy; and College of Nursing: Dr. Jennifer Wilson, Clinical Professor, Nursing.

Item B. Report on Faculty Senate

Dr. O. Finley Graves, Interim Executive Vice President for Academic Affairs and Provost, introduced Dr. John Terrizzi, Jr., Past Speaker of the Faculty Senate, who provided an update on Faculty Senate to the Board. Dr. Terrizzi provided information to the Board related to Faculty Senate's structure and the importance of shared governance. Dr. Terrizzi then introduced Dr. Emarely Rosa-Dávila, Incoming Speaker of the Faculty Senate, to the Board. Dr. Rosa-Dávila presented Faculty Senate's plans for the upcoming year.

Item C. Recommend Approval of Regent Policy C.30300: Research Security

Dr. O. Finley Graves, Interim Executive Vice President for Academic Affairs and Provost, introduced Dr. Holly Hansen-Thomas, Vice Provost for Research, Innovation, and Corporate Engagement. Dr. Hansen-Thomas recommended approval of Regent Policy C.30300: Research Security. She detailed the reason for the policy and briefed the Board on the policy's requirements.

Motion to Move Approval of Item C to Consent Agenda: Regent Shepard motioned and Regent Amirkhan seconded. The motion passed with a unanimous vote.

Item D. Recommend Approval of Awards for Faculty Development Leave for Academic Year 2024-2025

Dr. O. Finley Graves, Interim Executive Vice President for Academic Affairs and Provost, recommended approval of awards for faculty development leave for Academic Year 2024-2025. There were four (4) candidates presented to the Board for faculty development leave.

Motion to Move Approval of Item D to Consent Agenda: Regent Amirkhan motioned and Regent Coleman seconded. The motion passed with a unanimous vote.

V. Adjourn to Executive Closed Session

Regent Hyde then announced that the Committee would recess to Executive Closed Session for the purposes of 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. Regent Hyde stated the Committee will hear a recommendation to approve faculty for promotion and tenure.

Regent Hyde stated that Dr. O. Finley Graves, Interim Executive Vice President for Academic Affairs and

Provost, would join the Executive Closed Session.

The meeting adjourned at **3:37 p.m.**

VI. 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 Hyde reconvened the meeting of the Academic Affairs Committee into open session, a quorum being present at **4:01 p.m.** Regent Hyde stated the Board would take any possible action regarding matters discussed in Executive Closed Session.

Motion to Move Approval of Item A.1 Recommend Approval of Faculty for Promotion and Tenure to Consent Agenda: Regent Shepard motioned, and Regent Coleman seconded. The motion passed with a unanimous vote.

VII. Adjourn Academic Affairs Committee Meeting

With no further business coming before the Academic Affairs Committee, Regent Hyde adjourned the Academic Affairs Committee meeting at **4:02 p.m.**