

Meeting No. 1,068

THE MINUTES OF THE BOARD OF REGENTS
OF
THE UNIVERSITY OF TEXAS SYSTEM

Pages 1 - 4

March 18, 2011

Austin, Texas

TABLE OF CONTENTS
THE MINUTES OF THE BOARD OF REGENTS
OF
THE UNIVERSITY OF TEXAS SYSTEM
MARCH 18, 2011
AUSTIN, TEXAS

Meeting No. 1,068

	<u>Page No.</u>
I. ATTENDANCE	1
II. RECESS TO HEALTH AFFAIRS COMMITTEE MEETING	1
III. RECONVENE IN OPEN SESSION	1
IV. AGENDA ITEMS	
1. U. T. System: Approval of tuition plans for the U. T. System health institutions for the Academic Year starting in Fall 2011 and a Medical Services Fee increase at U. T. Health Science Center – San Antonio	1
2. U. T. System Board of Regents: Appointment of Mr. James P. Wilson and reappointment of Mr. Charles W. Tate to the Board of Directors of The University of Texas Investment Management Company (UTIMCO)	3
3. U. T. System Board of Regents: Status reports on the work of the Technology Transfer and Research Committee, the Task Force on University Excellence and Productivity, and the Task Force on Blended and Online Learning (Deferred)	4
V. SCHEDULED MEETING	4
VI. ADJOURNMENT	4

MEETING NO. 1,068

FRIDAY, MARCH 18, 2011.--The members of the Board of Regents of The University of Texas System convened this special called meeting via telephone conference call at 2:01 p.m. on Friday, March 18, 2011, in the Chairman's Office on the Ninth Floor, Ashbel Smith Hall, 201 West Seventh Street, Austin, Texas, with the following participation:

ATTENDANCE.--

Present

Chairman Powell
Vice Chairman Foster
Vice Chairman Hicks
Vice Chairman Dannenbaum
Regent Cranberg
Regent Gary
Regent Hall
Regent Pejovich
Regent Stillwell
Regent Kalkwarf, Student Regent, nonvoting

In accordance with a notice being duly posted with the Secretary of State and there being a quorum present, Chairman Powell called the meeting to order.

RECESS TO HEALTH AFFAIRS COMMITTEE MEETING.--At 2:01 p.m., Chairman Powell announced the Board would recess for the meeting of the Health Affairs Committee.

RECONVENE IN OPEN SESSION.--At 2:37 p.m., Chairman Powell reconvened the Board in open session for consideration of the following agenda items.

1. U. T. System: Approval of tuition plans for the U. T. System health institutions for the Academic Year starting in Fall 2011 and a Medical Services Fee increase at U. T. Health Science Center – San Antonio

Following discussion in the Health Affairs Committee and approval of the item by the Committee, the Board approved the tuition plans for each University of Texas System health institution for Academic Year 2011-2012 as submitted in the agenda materials, with the clarification that the approval a) is for one year only, and b) does not necessarily authorize the increase of faculty salaries to the 75th percentile at The University of Texas Health Science Center at Houston's Dental Branch. Such salary increases, if requested, would follow the usual budget approval process.

In addition, the Board approved a \$2.50 increase in the Medical Services Fee at The University of Texas Health Science Center at San Antonio.

Approval of the item was obtained by a roll call vote at the request of Chairman Powell. All members of the Board voted "aye" except Regent Hall who voted "no". Regent Cranberg voted approval with the caveat that a more systematic approach should be used to obtain student input using modern technology/social media for future tuition and fee recommendations. Chairman Powell requested that Academic Affairs Committee Chairman Hicks and Health Affairs Committee Chairman Stillwell meet with Regent Cranberg on the following concerns expressed by Regent Cranberg in part during the Health Affairs Committee meeting held earlier and report back to Board on the proposed approach:

- a. Provide suggestions about how to enhance reports' quantitative synthesis, consistency of approach among institutions, and "bottom line" approach; and
- b. Discuss approach to receiving more systematic student input using modern technology/social media.

Texas Education Code Section 54.0513 authorizes boards of regents to set an appropriate charge to students designated as tuition (Designated Tuition) in addition to tuition rates set by the Legislature and other charges authorized to be set by boards of regents.

On March 3, 2010, the Board approved tuition and fee plans for the U. T. System academic institutions for Academic Years 2010-2011 and 2011-2012 and for the health institutions for Academic Year 2010-2011. Based on the recommendation of then Chairman Huffines, the Board directed Chancellor Cigarroa and Executive Vice Chancellor Shine to work with the health presidents to make recommendations concerning tuition and fees for Academic Year 2011-2012 after careful review of proposed charges.

Secretary's Notes:

1. During the Health Affairs Committee meeting on March 18, 2011, Regent Cranberg asked Dr. Shine about the needed salary increases at U. T. Health Science Center – Houston's Dental Branch, and Dr. Shine responded with some detail on retention challenges at the Dental School at U. T. Health Science Center – San Antonio. Regent Cranberg asked if other schools are experiencing the same retention, recruitment, and turnover issues, and Dr. Shine noted that information is being collected and will be provided to the Board.

2. Regent Cranberg asked for clarification regarding whether the relatively low salaries and recruitment issues identified for U. T. Health Science Center – San Antonio also apply to the Dental Branch at U. T. Health Science Center – Houston. The Office of Health Affairs advised that U. T. Health Science Center – Houston salaries are low and that recruitment and retention are areas of concern.

2. U. T. System Board of Regents: Appointment of Mr. James P. Wilson and reappointment of Mr. Charles W. Tate to the Board of Directors of The University of Texas Investment Management Company (UTIMCO)

The Board approved the following appointments to The University of Texas Investment Management Company (UTIMCO) Board of Directors each for a term effective immediately to expire on April 1, 2014, or until their successors are named:

- a. Mr. James P. Wilson, Sugar Land, Texas, and
- b. reappointment of Mr. Charles W. Tate, Houston, Texas.

Pursuant to Section 66.08 of the *Texas Education Code*, the Board of Regents appoints all nine UTIMCO directors. At least three members of The University of Texas System Board of Regents and the Chancellor are appointed to the UTIMCO Board upon recommendation of the Chairman of the Board of Regents, by and with the consent of the Board of Regents. Section 66.08 also provides that the Board of Regents “shall select one or more of the members of the board of directors of the corporation from a list of candidates with substantial background and expertise in investments that is submitted to the board by the board of regents of The Texas A&M University System.” The Texas A&M University System Board of Regents submitted a list of names on March 8, 2011.

Mr. Wilson will replace Mr. Erle Nye, who was first appointed to the UTIMCO Board on March 10, 2005, reappointed on March 26, 2008, and recently resigned. Mr. Wilson was appointed to the Texas A&M Board of Regents in 2007. He is currently Vice Chairman of that Board and serves as Chair of the Committee on Audit and as a member of the Buildings and Physical Plant Committee, the Policy Review Committee, and the Board for Lease of University Lands.

Mr. Charles W. Tate was first appointed to the UTIMCO Board on September 28, 2004, and he was reappointed on March 26, 2008. His current term ends on April 1, 2011.

The appointment of Mr. Wilson and the reappointment of Mr. Tate have been reviewed by the General Counsel to the Board and found to be consistent with State law and the provisions of the UTIMCO Code of Ethics.

3. U. T. System Board of Regents: Status reports on the work of the Technology Transfer and Research Committee, the Task Force on University Excellence and Productivity, and the Task Force on Blended and Online Learning (Deferred)

This item was deferred.

SCHEDULED MEETING.--The next regularly scheduled meeting will be held on May 11-12, 2011, in Austin, Texas.

ADJOURNMENT.--There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 2:45 p.m.

/s/ Carol A. Felkel
Secretary to the Board of Regents

May 12, 2011