

**TEXAS HIGHER EDUCATION COORDINATING BOARD**

**MINUTES**

**Regular Quarterly Meeting**

**1200 East Anderson Lane, Austin, Texas**

**October 28, 2010**

**The Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board convened at 8:30 a.m. on October 28, 2010, with the following members present: Fred Heldenfels, presiding; Elaine Mendoza; Durga Agrawal; Dennis Golden; Harold Hahn; Joe Hinton; Lyn Phillips; A.W. "Whit" Riter; and Eric Rohne.**

**Board members not in attendance: Wallace Hall.**

<b>AGENDA ITEM</b>	<b>ACTION</b>
<b>I. Call to order: Opening Remarks, Announcements and Appointment</b>	Mr. Heldenfels called the meeting of the Coordinating Board to order.
A. Recognition of New Presidents and Chancellors in the audience	No action required.
<b>II. Approval of Minutes</b>	
A. July 28, 2010, Board Dinner	On motion by Ms. Mendoza, seconded by Mr. Riter, the Board approved the minutes.
B. July 29, 2010, Board Meeting	On motion by Ms. Mendoza, seconded by Mr. Riter, the Board approved the minutes.
C. September 10, 2010, Board Meeting and Planning Session	On motion by Ms. Mendoza, seconded by Mr. Riter, the Board approved the minutes.

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<b>III. Approval of the Consent Calendar</b>	On motion by Mr. Hinton, seconded by Dr. Phillips, the Board approved the consent calendar. Items on the consent calendar were: VI-B; VI-I; VI-J; VI-K; VI-L; VI-N; VI-O; VI-Q; VI-T; VI-U; VI-V(1) and (12); VIII-C; VIII-D; IX-B; IX-C; IX-D.
<b>IV. Major Policy Discussion</b>	
A. Discussion of the importance of better understanding learning outcomes	No action required. Belle S. Wheelan, President of the Commission on Colleges of the Southern Association of College and Schools provided an overview of national efforts to develop learning objectives that reflect the general knowledge and skills that students should possess upon completion of a college degree, and the challenges of student learning assessment. Dr. MacGregor Stephenson, Assistant Commissioner for Academic Affairs and Research provided an overview of learning outcome efforts that are underway and being planned in Texas.
<b>V. Recognition of Excellence</b>	
A. The Pathways Project in Bexar County and the expansion of the project in other communities	No action required. Mr. Michael Moran, Associate Professor of English, St. Phillip's College presented on the San Antonio Pathways and the changes they have made to move the process forward. Dr. Catherine O'Brien, Dean of Teaching and Learning, San Jacinto College District provided information on the Houston pathways and the benefits of the project.
<b>VI. Matters relating to the Committee on Strategic Planning and Policy</b>	
A. Committee Chair's Overview	An overview of the Committee's activities was presented to the Board by Dr. Lyn Phillips, Chair of the Committee on Strategic Planning and Policy.

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<p>B. Consideration of adopting the Committee's recommendation to the Board for approval of construction, rehabilitation, and property purchase projects</p> <p>1. <u>The University of Texas at Austin</u>  Reapprove Construct Science Building, Vivarium, and Welch Hall - Phase I  2400 Speedway  Austin, TX 78712</p>	<p>This item was approved on the Consent Calendar.</p>
<p>C. Actions taken by the Committee on Strategic Planning and Policy on construction, rehabilitation, and property purchase projects</p> <p>1. <u>Sam Houston State University</u>  Construct SHSU University Center at The Woodlands  3380 College Park Drive  Conroe, TX 77380</p> <p>2. <u>Texas A&amp;M University</u>  Construct University Apartments - Phase II  1100 Hensel Drive  College Station, TX 77843</p> <p>3. <u>Texas State University - San Marcos</u>  Purchase 604 N. Guadalupe Street  604 N. Guadalupe Street  San Marcos, TX 78666  EMERGENCY APPROVAL</p> <p>4. <u>The University of Texas at El Paso</u>  Third Reapproval Biosciences Facility  751 Electric Road  El Paso, TX 79968</p> <p>5. <u>University of Houston</u>  Renovate SERC Build-Out - Phase IV  4800 Calhoun  Houston, TX 77004</p> <p>6. <u>University of North Texas</u>  Renovate Discovery Park to Add Clean Room Laboratory  3940 N. Elm  Denton, TX 76207</p>	<p>No action required.</p>
<p>D. Presentation of the Preliminary Headcount Enrollment for fall 2010</p>	<p>No action required. Susan Brown, Assistant Commissioner, Planning and Accountability provided a presentation of the Preliminary Headcount Enrollment for fall 2010.</p>
<p>E. Consideration of adopting the Committee's recommendation to the Board regarding the <i>Report on Higher Education Cost Efficiencies</i></p>	<p>On a motion by Ms. Mendoza, seconded by Mr. Hahn the Board adopted the report.</p>

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F. Update to the Board on Statistical Analysis of Predictors of College Success (Rider 60)	No action required.
G. Consideration of adopting the staff recommendation to the Board for approval of the TSTC Study (Rider 52, Special Provisions)	On motion by Ms. Mendoza, seconded by Mr. Riter the Board approved the TSTC Study
H. Report on facilities decisions made by the Commissioner or Assistant Commissioner since the previous Board meeting	No action required.
I. Consideration of adopting the Committee's recommendation to the Board to approve the 2010 Regional Plan for Texas Higher Education	This item was approved on the Consent Calendar.
J. Consideration of adopting the Committee's recommendation to the Board for approval of the Facilities Audit Report	This item was approved on the Consent Calendar.
<p>K. Consideration of adopting the Committee's recommendation to the Board relating to requests for a new degree program:</p> <p>SAM HOUSTON STATE UNIVERSITY</p> <p>1. Bachelor of Science in Nursing (B.S.N.) degree with a major in Nursing</p> <p>THE UNIVERSITY OF TEXAS AT DALLAS</p> <p>2. Bachelor of Science (B.S.) degree with a major in Biomedical Engineering</p> <p>3. Doctor of Philosophy (Ph.D.) degree with a major in Arts &amp; Technology</p>	<p>This item was approved on the Consent Calendar.</p> <p>This item was approved on the Consent Calendar.</p> <p>On motion by Dr. Golden, seconded by Mr. Hahn the Board approved the new degree program.</p>
L. Consideration of adopting the Committee's recommendation to the Board relating to a report relating to the feasibility of establishing a public law school in Texas, including the Texas-Mexico Border Region (S.B. 956, 81st Texas Legislature)	This item was approved on the Consent Calendar.

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M. Consideration of adopting the Committee's recommendation to the Board relating to a report on <i>The Feasibility of Expanding Texas' Community College Baccalaureate Programs</i> (H.B. 2425, 81st Texas Legislature)	On a motion by Dr. Golden, seconded by Mr. Hahn the Board approved the findings and recommendations included in the report and authorized the staff to forward the report to the Governor and the Texas Legislature.
N. Consideration of adopting the Committee's recommendation to the Board relating to a report on the Hospital-Based Nursing Education Partnership Grant Program to be submitted to the Governor, Lieutenant Governor, and Speaker of the House of Representatives by December 31, 2010	This item was approved on the Consent Calendar.
O. Consideration of adopting the Committee's recommendation to the Board relating to the Community College Transfer Student Report (Rider 55 of the Appropriations Act)	This item was approved on the Consent Calendar.
P. Report on the Norman Hackerman Advanced Research Program Merit Review for 2009-10 Biennium	No action required.
Q. Consideration of adopting the Committee's recommendation to the Board relating to the Research Expenditure Study (H.B. 51, 81st Texas Legislature)	This item was approved on the Consent Calendar.
R. Consideration of adopting the Committee's recommendation to the Board to the Interim Select Committee on Technology Research (H.B. 51, 81st Texas Legislature)	On a motion by Mr. Hahn, seconded by Mr. Agrawal the Board approved the recommendations and authorized the staff to forward the report to the Governor, the Texas Legislature, and Boards of Regents.
S. Consideration of adopting the staff recommendation to the Board relating to a report on the 2010 Research Assessment Program, in accordance with Texas Education Code, Chapter 144	On a motion by Ms. Mendoza, seconded by Mr. Hahn the Board approved the report and authorized staff to forward the report to the Legislative Budget Board.
T. Consideration of adopting the staff recommendation to the Board relating to the Technology Transfer Report	This item was approved on the Consent Calendar.
U. Consideration of adopting the committee's recommendation to the Board relating to the approval of the Request for Applications for the Nursing, Allied Health and Other Health-related Education Grant Program	This item was approved on the Consent Calendar.

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<p>V. Consideration of proposed rule changes:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Consideration of adopting the Committee's recommendation to the Board relating to proposed amendments to Chapter 5, Rules Applying to Public Universities, Health Related Institutions, and/or Selected Public Colleges of Higher Education in Texas, Subchapter C, Approval of New Academic Programs and Administrative Changes at Public Universities, Health-Related Institutions, and Assessment of Existing Degree Programs, existing Sections 5.43, 5.44, and 5.52 and new Sections 5.53 and 5.54</li> <li>2. Consideration of adopting the Commissioner's recommendation to the Board relating to proposed amendments to Chapter 7, Degree Granting Colleges and Universities other than Texas Public Institutions, Subchapter A General Provisions, Sections 7.7 and 7.8 concerning Institutions accredited by Board Recognized Accreditors and Institutions not accredited by a Board Recognized Accreditor</li> <li>3. Consideration of adopting the Committee's recommendation to the Board relating to a new Chapter 15, National Research Universities, Subchapter C, National Research University Fund, Sections 15.40 - 15.44 of Board rules, concerning National Research University Fund</li> <li>4. Consideration of adopting the Commissioner's recommendation to the Board relating to proposed amendments to Chapter 17, Resource Planning, Subchapter A, General Provisions, Section 17.3, of Board rules, concerning resource planning definitions</li> <li>5. Consideration of adopting the Commissioner's recommendation to the Board relating to proposed amendments to Chapter 17, Resource Planning, Subchapter D, Rules Applying to New Construction and Addition Projects, Section 17.30, of Board rules, concerning Standards for New Construction and/or Addition Projects</li> <li>6. Consideration of adopting the Commissioner's recommendation to the Board relating to proposed amendments to Chapter 17, Resource Planning, Subchapter G, Rules Applying to Auxiliary Enterprise Projects, Section 17.60, of Board rules, concerning Standards for Auxiliary Enterprise Projects</li> <li>7. Consideration of adopting the Commissioner's recommendation to the Board relating to proposed amendments to Chapter 17, Resource Planning, Subchapter H, Rules Applying to Intercollegiate Athletic Projects, Section 17.70, of Board rules, concerning Standards for Intercollegiate Athletics Projects</li> </ol>	<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>On motion by Mr. Riter, seconded by Ms. Mendoza, the board approved the amendments. A copy of the Board rules as adopted may be found in the agenda materials.</p> <p>On motion by Dr. Golden, seconded by Mr. Agrawal, the board withdrew these rules from the agenda. A copy of the Board rules as adopted may be found in the agenda materials.</p> <p>On motion by Ms. Mendoza, seconded by Mr. Agrawal the Board approved the amendments. A copy of the Board rules as adopted may be found in the agenda materials.</p> <p>On motion by Ms. Mendoza, seconded by Mr. Agrawal the Board approved the amendments. A copy of the Board rules as adopted may be found in the agenda materials.</p> <p>On motion by Ms. Mendoza, seconded by Mr. Agrawal the Board approved the amendments. A copy of the Board rules as adopted may be found in the agenda materials.</p> <p>On motion by Ms. Mendoza, seconded by Mr. Agrawal the Board approved the amendments. A copy of the Board rules as adopted may be found in the agenda materials.</p>

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<p>8. Consideration of adopting the Commissioner's recommendation to the Board relating to proposed amendments to Chapter 17, Resource Planning, Subchapter I, Rules Applying to Energy Savings Performance Contract Projects, Section 17.81, of Board rules, concerning Standards for Energy Savings Performance Contract Projects</p> <p>9. Consideration of adopting the Commissioner's recommendation to the Board relating to proposed amendments to Chapter 17, Resource Planning, Subchapter J, Rules Applying to Tuition Revenue Bond Projects, Section 17.90, of Board rules, concerning Standards for Tuition Revenue Bond Projects</p> <p>10. Consideration of adopting the Commissioner's recommendation to the Board relating to proposed amendments to Chapter 17, Resource Planning, Subchapter K, Reports, Sections 17.100 and 17.101, of Board rules, concerning Board Reports</p> <p>11. Consideration of adopting the Commissioner's recommendation to the Board relating to proposed amendments to Chapter 17, Resource Planning, Subchapter L, Facilities Audit, Section 17.112, of Board rules, concerning Facilities Audit</p> <p>12. Consideration of adopting the Committee's recommendation to the Board relating to repealing Chapter 22, Grant and Scholarship Programs, Subchapter B, Provisions for the Tuition Equalization Grant Program, Sections 22.21 through 22.35 of Board rules and adopting Chapter 22, Subchapter B, new Sections 22.21 through 22.32 of Board rules, concerning Provisions for the Tuition Equalization Grant Program</p>	<p>On motion by Ms. Mendoza, seconded by Mr. Agrawal the Board approved the amendments. A copy of the Board rules as adopted may be found in the agenda materials.</p> <p>On motion by Ms. Mendoza, seconded by Mr. Agrawal the Board approved the amendments. A copy of the Board rules as adopted may be found in the agenda materials.</p> <p>On motion by Ms. Mendoza, seconded by Mr. Agrawal the Board approved the amendments. A copy of the Board rules as adopted may be found in the agenda materials.</p> <p>On motion by Ms. Mendoza, seconded by Mr. Agrawal the Board approved the amendments. 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>W. Consideration of adopting the staff request to authorize the Commissioner of Higher Education to submit the 2010 report on the National Research University Fund to the Legislature by December 31, 2010</p>	<p>On a motion by Dr. Golden, seconded by Mr. Hahn the Board withdrew this item.</p>
<p>X. Consideration of adopting the Commissioner's recommendation to the Board relating to the Coordinating board's priorities for the 82nd Texas Legislative Session</p>	<p>On a motion by Mr. Riter, seconded by Dr. Golden, the Board adopted the Commissioner's recommendation.</p>
<p>Y. Report on proposals approved by the Commissioner or Assistant Commissioner since the previous Board meeting.</p>	<p>No action required.</p>

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<b>VII. Lunch</b>	
<b>VIII. Matters relating to the Committee on Closing the Gaps</b>	
A. Committee Chair’s Overview	No action required. An overview of the Committee’s activities was presented to the Board by Ms. Mendoza, Chair of the Committee on Closing the Gaps.
B. Consideration of adopting the staff recommendation to the Board relating to a report on the results of the Course Redesign Grant Program (H.B. 1, 79th Texas Legislature)	On motion by Dr. Golden, seconded by Mr. Hinton, the Board adopted the report.
C. Consideration of adopting the staff recommendation to the Board to authorize the Assistant Commissioner for P-16 Initiatives to approve the report on the Texas Fund for Geography Education Program (H.B. 1 3590, 77th Texas Legislature; Texas Education Code, Subchapter X, Section 61.941-61.945)	This item was approved on the Consent Calendar.
D. Consideration of adopting the staff recommendation to the Board relating to the P-16 College Readiness and Success Strategic Action Plan progress report	This item was approved on the Consent Calendar.
E. Consideration of adopting the staff recommendation to the Board relating to the Best Practices in Developmental Education report (Rider 50, General Appropriations Act, 81st Texas Legislature, page III-62)	On a motion by Mr. Hahn, seconded by Mr. Hinton the Board approved the report.
F. Consideration of adopting the staff recommendation to the Board relating to the implementation of effective Non-Semester-Length Developmental Education Interventions report (Rider 59, General Appropriations Act, 81st Texas Legislature, page III-63)	On motion by Dr. Golden, seconded by Mr. Agrawal, the Board approved the report.
G. Consideration of adopting the staff recommendation to the Board relating to issuance of a Request for Proposal and contract for the evaluation of the College Access Challenge Grant	On a motion by Mr. Hahn, seconded by Dr. Phillips, the Board approved the Request for Proposal and contract.



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H. Consideration of adopting the staff recommendation to the Board relating to issuance of a Request for Proposal and contract for the evaluation of the Adult Basic Education Community College Grants	On a motion by Dr. Phillips, seconded by Mr. Agrawal, the Board approved the Request for Proposal and contract.
I. Consideration of adopting the staff recommendation to the Board relating to issuance of a Request for Proposal and contract for the evaluation of the Developmental Education Demonstration Project	On a motion by Dr. Golden, seconded by Mr. Hahn, the Board approved the Request for Proposal and contract.
<b>IX. Matters relating to the Committee on Agency Operations</b>	
A. Committee Chair's Overview	No action required. An overview of the Committee's activities was presented to the Board by Mr. Riter who was filling in for Mr. Hall, Chair of the Committee on Agency Operations.
B. Consideration of adopting the Committee's (or the Commissioner's recommendation if the Committee on Agency Operations does not meet) recommendation to the Boar for authorizing staff to issue a Request for Proposals (RFP) for selection of underwriting pool members for the calendar years 2011 and 2012	This item was approved on the Consent Calendar.
C. Consideration of adopting the Committee's (or the Commissioner's recommendation if the Committee on Agency Operations does not meet) recommendation to the Board relating to the amendment of the contract for Audits of Agency's Loan Program and Agency-wide Financial Statements for the fiscal year ended August 31, 2010, by KPMG, LLP	This item was approved on the Consent Calendar.
D. Consideration of adopting the Committee's (or the Commissioner's recommendation if the Committee on Agency Operations does not meet) recommendation regarding the extension of the contract with Integrated Human Capital for temporary employee services for Fiscal Year 2011 in an amount not to exceed \$750,000	This item was approved on the Consent Calendar.

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<p>E. Consideration of adopting the Committee's (or the Commissioner's recommendation if the Committee on Agency Operations does not meet) recommendation to the Board to issue a Request for Proposals (RFP) for the Fiscal Year 2011 purchase of systems furniture in an estimated amount of \$400,000 (this item will be considered by the Board only if the Committee on Agency Operations does not act upon this item)</p>	<p>No action required.</p>
<p><b>X. Adjournment</b></p>	

With no further business, on a motion by Dr. Phillips, seconded by Dr. Golden, the meeting adjourned at approximately 2:05 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Joe Hinton  
Secretary of the Board