



2017 Texas Higher Education Leadership Conference:

Working with Industry to Increase Skills and Manage Student Debt

**Crowne Plaza Austin Hotel
6121 IH-35 North
Austin, Texas**

**ORIENTATION & CONFERENCE AGENDA
November 30 – December 1, 2017**

Orientation Day One: Thursday, November 30, 2017*

- 7:00 a.m. Registration/Check-in/Breakfast Buffet**
- 8:00 a.m. Welcome to New Governing Board Members**
- 8:15 a.m. Panel Discussion – “What I Wish I Had Known as a New Governing Board Member (and What I Wish My New Board Members Would Have Known): Mutual Expectations”**

Concurrent Sessions

University Governing Board Members	Community College Governing Board Members
<p>Presenters will discuss the process of budget planning at public universities and state colleges in Texas, roles and responsibilities of governing board members, information needed for effective campus monitoring and oversight, and the process used in Texas to audit public institutions.</p>	<p>Presenters will discuss the process of budget planning at public community and technical colleges in Texas, issues related to the appropriation process and the different sources of revenue that are available to community colleges, financial management issues and best practices, reporting, and tools available on the THECB website at: http://www.thecb.state.tx.us/ http://www.txhighereddata.org/</p>

* This full-day orientation on November 30 satisfies the training requirement for newly appointed regents and elected trustees (Texas Education Code, Section 61.084, Training for Members of Governing Boards).

9:00 a.m.	The Budgeting Process for Public Universities in Texas	9:00 a.m.	Understanding the Revenue Mix for Texas Community Colleges and the State Budgeting Process
9:45 a.m.	Basic Board Member Roles and Responsibilities: Sustaining Institutional Autonomy and Board Independence	9:45 a.m.	The Budgeting Process for Public Community Colleges in Texas
10:30 a.m.	Break	10:30 a.m.	Break
10:45 a.m.	Monitoring and Oversight: What is Good Information?	10:45 a.m.	Campus Financial Management – Panel Discussion
11:30 a.m.	The Auditing Process for Public Universities in Texas	11:30 a.m.	Financial Reporting and Ratio Analysis

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(Orientation Day One Continued)

- 12:00 noon Luncheon and The State of Higher Education in Texas**
- 1:00 p.m. Introduction of the 60x30TX.com Website and Monitoring Progress toward Achieving the Goals of 60x30TX through the Texas Public Higher Education Accountability System**
- 1:45 p.m. Effective Trusteeship, Ethics (including Ethical Issues in Financial Management), and the Avoidance of Conflicts of Interest**
- 2:45 p.m. Break**
- 3:00 p.m. Effective Trusteeship, Ethics (including Ethical Issues in Financial Management), and the Avoidance of Conflicts of Interest (Continued)**
- 3:45 p.m. Leadership Dynamics in Public Higher Education – Effectively Working with the Texas Legislature to Achieve the Goals of 60x30TX**
- 4:45 p.m. Concluding Remarks**
- 5:00 p.m. Adjournment**
- 5:00 p.m. Reception**
- 7:00 p.m. Dinner on Your Own**



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- 7:00 a.m. Registration/Check-in/Breakfast Buffet**
- 8:00 a.m. Welcome**
- 8:15 a.m. Guiding Students toward Beneficial Programs Using Efficient Pathways**
- 9:15 a.m. Break**
- 9:30 a.m. Making College More Affordable for Students**
- 10:45 a.m. Partnering with Industry to Further the Development of a Highly Skilled Workforce**
- 12:00 p.m. Luncheon and 2017 Star Awards Ceremony**
- 1:15 p.m. Adjournment**
- 1:15 p.m. Portrait Photo Sessions for Star Award Finalists**