



# Baylor University

## MINUTES BAYLOR UNIVERSITY BOARD OF REGENTS

July 17, 2019

Regents present: Jerry Clements, Chair, Melissa Mines, Vice Chair, Randy Pullin, Vice Chair, Jay Allison, Ken Carlile, Jennifer Elrod, Sarah Gahm, Cary Gray, Larry Heard, Milton Hixson, Dan Hord, Mark Lovvorn, Katie Jo Lunningham, Rene Maciel, Jill Manning, Mark McCollum, Michael McFarland, Bill Mearse, Alicia Monroe, Todd Reppert, Clifton Robinson, Mark Rountree, Manny Ruiz, David Slover, Kim Stevens, Julie Turner, Dennis Wiles, Gordon Wilkerson, Malcolm Foley, Cassidy Parshall, Mark Petersen, Dusty Sanderson, Randy Umstead

Regents absent: Joel Allison, Shelley Giglio, Mark Hurd, Neal Jeffrey, Bill Simon, Gaynor Yancey

Staff present: President Linda Livingstone; Kristy Orr, Board Professional; Christopher Holmes, Corporate Secretary and General Counsel; Judy Carpenter, Director of Board and Presidential Operations, and other staff

Mrs. Clements, Chair of the Board of Regents for Baylor University, called the meeting to order at 8:43 a.m. on Friday, July 17, 2019. Mr. Holmes certified that a quorum was present. Mr. Nikhil Malhotra gave a devotional and opened the meeting with prayer.

### CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS

Chair Clements asked for approval of the May 2019, regular meeting minutes. Regent Hixson made the motion and Regent McCollum seconded. The motion carried unanimously.

### INFORMATION ITEMS

#### **1. Nominating, Governance, and Regent Leadership Committee Report**

Regent Rountree reported that the Committee reviewed the results of the annual board performance assessment. He shared an overview of the results with the Board. He also reported that the Committee reviewed all Committee Charges for FY 20. Regent Rountree reminded the Board members of the authority and responsibilities of the Board Chair and Vice Chairs. He also encouraged members to submit recommendations of candidates to be considered for membership on the Board.

## **2. Athletics Annual Review and NCAA Compliance Training**

Mr. Mack Rhoades gave an overview of the presentation to be made to the Board by eight members of his Executive Team. He shared with the Board that the purpose of the Athletic Department is “preparing champions for life” through academic achievement, athletic success, character formation, and spiritual growth. Ms. Erica Shilling shared the metrics of the athletic program and student population in athletics, Mr. Jeramiah Dickey gave a capital projects overview, Ms. Dawn Rogers shared an outline of athletic department policies and procedures, Mr. Chad Jackson presented the NCAA Compliance Training, Kenny Boyd covered the student athlete health and wellness program, Cody Hall presented Finance 101 as it relates to the Athletic program, Jovan Overshown gave an overview of the resource development area of the Athletic department, and Marcus Sedberry spoke to the Board about the academic success of the student athletes.

### **III. PRESIDENT’S REPORT**

President Livingstone presented her Presidential Goals for 2019-20 to the Board. She explained how the administration is implementing Illuminate through four pillars; i.e., Pillar 1: Unambiguously Christian Educational Environment, Pillar 2: Transformational Undergraduate Education, Pillar 3: Research and Scholarship Marked by Quality, Impact and Visibility, Pillar 4: Nationally Recognized Programs in Human Performance Through the Arts and Athletics. She also shared her goals as they relate to the *Give Light* campaign, the launch of a refocused and reorganized alumni relations function, the development of a greater resource stewardship, the continued enhancement of the University’s commitment to a safe and secure campus community, exploring ways to strengthen relationships with members of the Texas Legislature, and continued engagement with the Board of Regents Chair and Executive Committee. The President also gave an update on the Give Light campaign as well as an academic update.

### **IV. EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE REPORT**

Chair Clements shared that the Committee heard a legal update from Mr. Chris Holmes and Mr. David Iler and a preview of President Livingstone’s presidential goals for FY 20. The Committee also reviewed the Executive Committee charge for FY20 and discussed how to best accomplish the work of the Committee in the year ahead.

### **V. ITEMS FOR BOARD ACTION**

1. University Leadership and Compensation Committee Report.  
*(this item was discussed during Executive Session)*

There being no further business to discuss, the Board went into Executive Session at 11: 25 a.m.



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Kristy Orr, Board Professional