



**MINUTES
BOARD OF REGENTS MEETING
February 16, 2023**

Thursday, February 16, 2023

The University of North Texas System Board of Regents convened on Thursday, February 16, 2023, in the University Union, Jade Ballroom-Room 333, at the University of North Texas, 1155 Union Circle, Denton, Texas, with the following Regents in attendance: Mary Denny, Dan Feehan, A.K. Mago, Carlos Munguia, Lindy Rydman, John Scott, Laura Wright, and Andy McDowall. In accordance with a notice being duly posted with the Secretary of State and there being a quorum present, Chair Wright called the meeting to order at 8:35 a.m.

Chair Wright began the meeting by asking Chancellor Williams to provide an update since the last quarterly meeting.

The Board then considered the adoption of a resolution for the **Acceptance of UNT System Values**. Pursuant to a motion by Chair Wright, seconded by Regent John Scott, the resolution passed on a 7-0 vote.

For **Spotlight on Students**, the Board heard testimony from students enrolled in the UNT Emerald Eagle Scholars Program. President Smatresk introduced the panel moderator, Desiree Padron, Director for First Generation Student Success Center, and three students, Isabella Torres, Linda Mai, and Jalynn April. Each of the students told the Board about themselves and shared how the Emerald Eagle Scholars Program helped them to achieve success and realize their potential as students.

The Board then received **Campus Updates** from UNT President Neal Smatresk, UNTHSC President Sylvia Trent-Adams, and UNT Dallas President Bob Mong.

Chair Wright recessed the Board at 9:45 a.m. for the meetings of the Finance, Audit, Strategic Infrastructure, and Student Success, Academic and Clinical Affairs Committees.

Following the Committee meetings, Chair Wright reconvened the Board at 11:37 a.m. and asked the Board to consider the adoption of a resolution in **Support for Consideration and Development of a Doctor of Optometry degree at the University of North Texas at Dallas**. Pursuant to a motion by Chair Wright, seconded by Regent John Scott, the resolution passed on a 7-0 vote.

The Board then considered the following items on the consent agenda.

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| 2023-01 UNTS | Approval of the Minutes of the November 17, 2022, Board Meeting, and November 18, 2022, Special Called Board Meeting, and December 15, 2022, Special Called Board Meeting |
| 2023-02 UNT | Approval of Tenure for New UNT Faculty Appointee |

- 2023-03 UNT Approval of UNT Recommendations for New and Continuing Regents Professor Designations**
- 2023-04 UNT Approval of UNT Faculty Development Leaves 2023-2024**
- 2023-05 UNT Award of UNT Honorary Degree**
- 2023-06 UNT Delegation of Authority to the UNT President to Extend the EAB Contract**
- 2023-07 UNT Approval of UNT Room and Board Rates for the 2023-2024 Academic Year**
- 2023-08 UNTHSC Request for Approval to Establish the UNT Health Science Center College of Nursing**

Pursuant to a motion by Regent Dan Feehan, seconded by Regent John Scott, the Board approved the Consent Agenda on a 7-0 vote.

The Board then considered the following action items coming out of committees:

Audit and Finance Committee Items

- 2023-09 UNTS Acceptance of the Externally Audited UNT System FY22 Annual Comprehensive Financial Report**

Pursuant to a motion by Regent Carlos Munguia, seconded by Regent Lindy Rydman, the Board approved the action item on an 7-0 vote.

Strategic Infrastructure Committee Items

- 2023-10 UNTHSC HSC Approval of an Eighth Amendment to the original Office Lease Agreement for Mr. Gatti’s Operating, LLC at 550 Bailey Ave, Suite 650, Fort Worth, Tarrant County, Texas, 76107**

Pursuant to a motion by Regent A.K. Mago, seconded by Regent John Scott, the Board approved the action item above on a 7-0 vote.

Student Success, Academic and Clinical Affairs Committee Items

- 2023-11 UNT Approval of Expedited Tenure for New UNT Faculty Appointee**

Pursuant to a motion by Regent Dan Feehan, seconded by Regent John Scott, the Board approved the above action item on a 7-0 vote.

Chair Wright then moved the Board into Executive Session to consider matters noted on the Executive Session agenda in accordance with Texas Government Code Sections 551.071, .072, .073 .074, .076, and .089.

The Board reconvened in open session at 4:17 p.m. with five action items coming out of Executive Session as noted below.

- 2023-12 UNT Authorization to Execute an Agreement for Purchase of Real Property and Improvements located at 1434 Centre Place, Denton, Denton County, Texas, and to Complete Acquisition of the Property and Improvements**

Pursuant to a motion by Regent Mary Denny, and seconded by Regent Dan Feehan, the Board approved the above action item on a 7-0 vote.

2023-13 UNTS Approval for the Sale and Conveyance and Assignment of Leases of Real and Personal Property Located at 1901 Main and 1900 Elm, Dallas, Dallas County, Texas

Pursuant to a motion by Regent A.K. Mago, seconded by Regent Lindy Rydman, the Board approved the above action item on 7-0 vote.

2023-14 UNTS Delegation of Authority to Execute Lease Amendment and Extension with Dallas Independent School District

Pursuant to a motion by Regent John Scott, seconded by Regent Carlos Munguia, the Board approved the above action item on 7-0 vote.

2023-15 UNTS Delegation of Authority to Amend and Extend the Employment Agreement with the University of North Texas President

Pursuant to a motion by Regent Carlos Munguia, seconded by Regent Mary Denny, the Board approved the above action item on 7-0 vote.

2023-16 UNTS Delegation of Authority to Amend the Employment Agreement with the University of North Texas System Chancellor

Pursuant to a motion by Regent Dan Feehan, seconded by Regent Lindy Rydman, the Board approved the above action item on 7-0 vote.

There being no further business, the Board meeting was adjourned at 4:23 p.m.

Submitted By:

Approved By:

Rachel Barone
Rachel Barone, Secretary
Board of Regents

Laura Wright
Laura Wright (May 26, 2023 09:11 CDT)
Laura Wright, Chair
Board of Regents

Date: 05.9.2023

Date: 05.26.2023