

**Texas State University System  
Telephonic Called Board of Regents Meeting**

**Friday, November 21, 2014  
4:00 PM**

**1. Call Meeting to Order**

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**3. Adjourn**

**SRSU: Motion to Extend Investment Advisor Contract**

Upon motion of Regent \_\_\_\_\_, seconded by Regent \_\_\_\_\_, it was ordered that:

Sul Ross State University be authorized to exercise Extension 1 of the contract for investment consulting services with Asset Strategy Consultants. As per the terms of the contract, this extension will provide one additional year of investment consulting services.

**Explanation**

The University's initial contract with Asset Strategy Consultants was signed in 2012. In accordance with Board guidelines, the initial contract period was limited to two years, with three optional extensions of one year each available to the University. Price increases of 3% per additional year have already been negotiated and agreed in the original contract. We respectfully request approval to exercise the first extension for one additional year. At its November, 2014 meeting, the Board approved extension of the identical Sam Houston State University contract.

**TxSt: Recommendation to Confer the Honorary Degree, Doctor of Laws (LL.D.), upon Mr. Alan W. Dreeben**

Upon motion of Regent \_\_\_\_\_, seconded by Regent \_\_\_\_\_, it was ordered that:

The degree, Doctor of Laws, honoris causa, be hereby conferred upon Mr. Alan W. Dreeben.

**Explanation**

For his significant support and contributions towards excellence as Texas State University fulfills its mission, values, and goals, Texas State University nominates Mr. Alan W. Dreeben to receive the Doctor of Laws, Honorary Degree.

A remarkable supporter of education and Texas State University and of the Texas State University System, Mr. Dreeben is a former chair of The Texas State University System Board of Regents and currently a director of The Texas State University System Foundation. Mr. Dreeben has become one of the foundation's most generous supporters and has funded a number of initiatives, including the Grow Your Own Scholarship to increase faculty diversity and provide mentoring models for students.

Mr. Dreeben is a partner and member of the board of directors at Republic National Distributing Company, the second largest distributor of premium wine and spirits in the United States, employing over 6,000 nationwide. He is a graduate of prestigious business programs at The University of Texas at Austin and Harvard University.

Mr. Dreeben has distinguished himself through leadership to benefit his community and industry. He has served as chairman of the Wine and Spirits Wholesalers of America, a member of the Texas Governor's Business Council, and a member of The Institute of Masters of Wine in North America. Mr. Dreeben also contributes as an advisory director at Cullen Frost Bank, a member of the board of directors of Petroflow Energy Corporation, and a member of the advisory board of San Antonio Capital. His educational activities include positions with The University of Texas at Austin, The University of Texas at San Antonio, Trinity University, and University of the Incarnate Word.

Mr. Dreeben has been called upon to lead charitable efforts, including those for the American Cancer Society, the Harry Jersig Speech and Hearing Center, Hospice of San Antonio, the Jewish Community Campus, Los Compadres, the McNay Art Museum, the Paseo del Rio Association, the San Antonio Museum of Art, Santa Rosa Children's Hospital Foundation, and the United Way. Mr. Dreeben was presented with the Chairman's Award from The Texas State University System, received the Ethics in Business award from The University of Texas at San Antonio, and named "Man of the Year" by the New World Wine and Food Organization.

Mr. Dreeben is an inspiring example for his dedication to service, community engagement, and education in Texas. In recognition of a long-standing and generous commitment, we recommend that the Board of Regents honor Mr. Dreeben by conferring upon him a Doctor of Laws, honoris causa.

**TxSt: Recommendation to Confer the Honorary Degree, Doctor of Laws (LL.D.), upon Mr. Dionicio “Don” Flores**

Upon motion of Regent \_\_\_\_\_, seconded by Regent \_\_\_\_\_, it was ordered that:

The degree, Doctor of Laws, honoris causa, be hereby conferred upon Mr. Dionicio “Don” Flores.

**Explanation**

For his significant support and contributions towards excellence as Texas State University fulfills its mission, values, and goals, Texas State University nominates Mr. Dionicio “Don” Flores to receive the Doctor of Laws, Honorary Degree.

A remarkable supporter of education and Texas State University and of the Texas State University System, Mr. Flores is a former chair of The Texas State University System Board of Regents and a 1973 graduate of Southwest Texas State University, now Texas State University. Mr. Flores is a recipient of the university’s distinguished alumnus award and was named to the university’s School of Journalism and Mass Communications Hall of Fame in 2004. He currently serves as president of the Texas State University Alumni Association and is a member of the board of trustees for the Texas State University Development Foundation.

Mr. Flores is a former newspaper executive who presently serves as a media consultant. Until August 2008, he was vice president and editor of the *El Paso Times* in El Paso, Texas. He was president and publisher of the *Iowa City Press-Citizen* in Iowa City, Iowa, before moving to El Paso in 1993.

Mr. Flores has distinguished himself through leadership to benefit his community, his profession, and higher education. He served as president of the National Association of Hispanic Journalists, as a board member of the National Association of Minority Media Executives, as a member of the Task Force on Minorities of the American Newspaper Publishers Association, and as a jurist for the Pulitzer Prize. He has been recognized by *Hispanic Business* magazine as one of the 100 most influential Hispanics in the nation.

His community involvement includes service on the boards of the Sun Bowl Association, Paso del Norte Health Foundation, the Border Fund, the United Way of El Paso, National Conference of Christians and Jews, El Paso Symphony Board of Trustees, and the YMCA of El Paso. Mr. Flores has been called upon to advise journalism programs at Texas State University, the University of North Carolina-Chapel Hill, Texas Tech University, the University of Nebraska, Middle Tennessee State University, Southeast Missouri State University, and The University of Texas at El Paso.

Mr. Flores is an inspiring example for his dedication to service, engagement, and higher education. In recognition of a long-standing and generous commitment to Texas State University, we recommend that the Board of Regents honor Mr. Flores by conferring upon him a Doctor of Laws, honoris causa.

**TSUS: Approval of Rules and Regulations**

Upon motion of Regent \_\_\_\_\_, seconded by Regent \_\_\_\_\_, it was ordered that:

The attached, proposed revisions to the Texas State University System *Rules and Regulations* be approved.

**Explanation**

Although the Board historically considers revisions to its *Rules and Regulations* at its May meeting each year, from time-to-time, issues arise which require a rule change mid-year. Because of time constraints and because the proposed rules relate primarily to the Chancellor and the Board of Regents, we are suspending the usual rule-making process and supplying the proposed changes to everyone at the same time. At the end of each rule is an explanation of the changes contained therein.

REGENT

PARAGRAPH 1.(15) OF CHAPTER III  
ON PAGES III-1 AND III-7

1. ITEMS REQUIRING BOARD APPROVAL.

The following items shall be submitted to the Board of Regents for approval at either a regular Board meeting or a special called Board meeting. Each item shall be presented in the form of a motion to the Board for consideration. Inconclusive, open-ended, or multifarious motions shall not be submitted to the Board.

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1.(15) Proposed Legislation. Proposed legislation on behalf of the System or its Components, unless, during a legislative session, the Chancellor, after consultation with the Board Chair, determines that the best interests of the System or its Component(s) require pursuit of legislative action.

Explanation

This proposed change would enable the Chancellor to respond quickly to unforeseen events that occur during a legislative session, enabling him to take advantage of an opportunity or to prevent or otherwise mitigate a problem for the System or any of its Components; provided he consults with the Board Chair. It should be noted that under *Chapter II, Paragraph 4.32* and *Chapter III, Paragraphs 1.34* and *1.(15)*, the Board retains the right to approve proposed legislation, including legislative appropriation requests.

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PARAGRAPH 2.7 OF CHAPTER V  
ON PAGES V-8 AND V-9

2. GENERAL.

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~~2.7—Legislation. Any proposed legislation affecting the System, the Component, or their operations, by any employee or organization of the Component, acting in an official capacity and on behalf of the Component, shall be approved by the Component President and the Board of Regents.~~

Explanation

This section was apparently added to prevent employees from filing legislation without presidential and Board approval. More importantly, *Chapter II, Paragraph 4.32* already provides for presidential and Chancellor approval of legislation that is submitted to the Board.

**TSUS: Requests to Seek Legislative Approval of Items Included in System and Component Institution Legislative Appropriation Requests and Other Items**

Upon motion of Regent \_\_\_\_\_, seconded by Regent \_\_\_\_\_, it was ordered that:

The Texas State University System, through the Chancellor, be authorized to seek legislative approval of the following items during the 84<sup>th</sup> Legislative Session and any subsequent Special Called Sessions: Items included in the System's and component institutions' Legislative Appropriations Requests, including all exceptional items; legislation exempting TSUS from participation in the State Office of Risk Management insurance program; an amendment to the Education Code, Section 96.707, allowing the Texas Academy of Leadership in the Humanities at Lamar University to achieve funding parity with other university academies in Texas; and legislation clarifying component institutions' authority to adjust intercollegiate athletic fees with a majority vote in a student election.