UNIVERSITY OF HOUSTON SYSTEM

INTERNAL AUDIT REPORT

UNIVERSITY OF HOUSTON SYSTEM UNIVERSITY OF HOUSTON

CHANCELLOR/PRESIDENT'S TRAVEL AND ENTERTAINMENT FY 2020

REPORT NO. AR2021-03



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MEMORANDUM

TO:	Mr. Jack B. Moore Chair, Audit and Compliance Committee
	Dr. Renu Khator Chancellor/President, UHS/UH
FROM:	Phillip W. Hurd Chief Audit and Compliance Executive
DATE:	November 13, 2020
SUBJ:	Internal Audit Report – UHS/UH Chancellor/President's Travel and Entertainment, FY 2020

I have attached for your review and comment the final draft of the above referenced internal audit report. This report has been distributed to/discussed with key personnel at the University of Houston and University of Houston System. This report is summarized as follows:

Executive Summary:

As part of our annual audit plan, we reviewed travel and entertainment expenditures of the Chancellor/President and spouse for fiscal year 2020 funded by accounts of the Chancellor/President's Office. It should be noted that in some cases, travel and entertainment expenditures for the Chancellor/President and spouse may be funded by accounts other than the Chancellor/President office accounts and by outside organizations. The objective of our review was to determine whether expenditures for travel and entertainment were appropriately documented and allowable under university policies. In our opinion, the travel and entertainment expenditures of the Chancellor/President and spouse for the year ended August 31, 2020, were appropriately documented and were allowable under university policies.

This audit report is scheduled to be included in the agenda materials for the December 3, 2020 meeting of the Audit and Compliance Committee of the Board of Regents. Please let me know if you have any questions.

Attachment

UNIVERSITY OF HOUSTON SYSTEM INTERNAL AUDITING DEPARTMENT

UNIVERSITY OF HOUSTON SYSTEM/UNIVERSITY OF HOUSTON CHANCELLOR/PRESIDENT'S TRAVEL AND ENTERTAINMENT FY 2020

BACKGROUND/OBJECTIVE:

The Internal Auditing Department reviews the travel and entertainment expenditures of the Chancellor/President and spouse annually. This review is scheduled in the annual audit plan.

The objective of this review was to determine whether expenditures for travel and entertainment were appropriately documented and allowable under university policies.

SCOPE:

We reviewed travel and entertainment expenditures of the Chancellor/President and spouse for fiscal year 2020 funded by accounts of the Chancellor/President's Office. We determined that there were \$2,098 of travel related charges and \$21,186 of entertainment related charges.

It should be noted that in some cases, travel and entertainment expenditures for the Chancellor/President and spouse may be funded by accounts other than the Chancellor/President's Office accounts and by outside organizations. The scope of this review only includes the travel and entertainment expenditures funded by the Chancellor/President's Office accounts.

CONCLUSION:

In our opinion, the travel and entertainment expenditures for the year ended August 31, 2020, were appropriately documented and were allowable under university policies.

Phillip W. Hurd

Chief Audit and Compliance Executive October 30, 2020