MINUTES
UNIVERSITY OF HOUSTON SYSTEM
BOARD OF REGENTS MEETING

Wednesday, May 7, 2014 – The members of the Board of Regents of the University of Houston System convened at 12:47 p.m. on Wednesday, May 7, 2014, at the Hilton University of Houston Hotel, Conrad Hilton Ballroom, Second Floor, 4800 Calhoun, Houston, Texas, with the following members participating:

ATTENDANCE –

Present	Member(s) Absent:
Jarvis V. Hollingsworth, Chairman	Tilman J. Fertitta, Vice Chair
Welcome W. Wilson, Jr., Secretary	Durga D. Agrawal, Regent
Spencer D. Armour III, Regent	
Beth Madison, Regent	
Paula M. Mendoza, Regent	
Peter K. Taaffe, Regent	
Roger F. Welder, Regent	
Benjamin P. Wells, Student Regent, nonvoting	

In accordance with a notice being timely posted with the Secretary of State and there being a quorum in attendance, Chairman of the Board, Jarvis V. Hollingsworth called the meeting to order.

Before the meeting got underway, Chairman Hollingsworth welcomed and recognized our newly appointed Student Regent, Mr. Asit Shah, whose term will begin on June 1, 2014. On behalf of the Board, the Chairman welcomed him to the meeting and stated that the Board was looking forward to working with him over the coming year.

Chairman Hollingsworth stated that with each successive student regent it appears that the bar has risen a little higher each time. The regents who have served with Regent Benjamin Wells have seen the student regent position taken one step to the next level. This meeting will be Regent Well's last meeting since the newly appointed student regent's term will begin on June 1. On behalf of his fellow Board members, Chairman Hollingsworth stated it had been wonderful working with him over the past year and that he obviously has a bright future ahead of him. Each of the regents gave brief remarks and reiterated many of same sentiments.

Regent Wells said he was honored to be part of the Board of Regents and thanked the Chairman for his incredible leadership of the Board. He thanked the Chancellor for her amazing leadership of the System and of the University of Houston. He praised the senior administrators stating they had been easy to work with and he believes they were all student focused and nothing was done that did not impact the students in a positive way. He also reiterated that getting to know each of the board members, individually, had been one of the

greatest privileges of his life; an incredible honor to serve with each of them; and thanked them for welcoming him to the board.

AGENDA ITEMS

1. Approval of Minutes – Item C:

On motion of Regent Armour, seconded by Regent Taaffe, and by a unanimous vote of the regents in attendance, the following minutes from the meetings listed below were approved:

- October 31, 2013, Board of Regents Meeting
- February 26, 2014, Board of Regents Meeting

2. Introduction of Interim President of the University of Houston-Victoria campus – University of Houston-Victoria – BOR-D

   Dr. Renu Khator introduced this item and stated that UH-Victoria has had a transition of leadership; and that she had decided to consult the National Registry to seek the very best individual who would fit the needs in UH-Victoria. Several candidates had been interviewed. Dr. Raymond V. Morgan had interviewed on campus; received unanimous support; and many accolades from everyone for his wisdom, his vision, and his experience. Dr. Morgan had spent 20 years as a president in the state of Texas and prior to that he had been in the academia, so he understands the past, the present, and the future. Dr. Khator stated she was delighted that Dr. Morgan had committed to be with the UH System at UHV and to help build the UH-Victoria campus as a destination university.

   Chairman Hollingsworth thanked Dr. Morgan for attending the meeting and on behalf of the UH System Board of Regents welcomed Dr. Morgan to the UH System and for the opportunity of working with him.

This item was for information only and required no board action.

Committee Reports

Chairman Hollingsworth moved to Section II on the agenda, the Committee Reports. Chairman Hollingsworth stated the Committee Reports, which lists the Consent Docket Agenda items considered and unanimously approved at each of the Board committee meetings would be given by each chair of the committees. It should be noted that after the Board had heard all of the committee reports, any regent may have requested an item be removed from the Consent Docket Agenda and individually considered pursuant to Board Bylaw 6.9.

Chairman Hollingsworth announced that the Chair of the Academic and Student Success Committee, Regent Welcome W. Wilson, Jr., would present the first committee report.

Academic and Student Success Committee Report – May 6, 2014

Regent Wilson, Jr. said the Academic and Student Success Committee met on Tuesday, May 6, 2014, and unanimously approved the following 12 action items for submission on the Board's Consent Docket Agenda for final board approval as follows:

1. Approval of Appointment of Dean, University of Houston Law Center – University of Houston
    - Leonard M. Baynes - Appointment effective, August 15, 2014;
2. Approval of Faculty Promotion in Academic Rank – University of Houston System. This item was approved with a modification to the section related to UH-Downtown;
3. Approval of Faculty Emeriti Appointments – University of Houston System;
4. Request for Approval to Increase the University of Houston-Downtown's Transfer Admissions Standards to a 2.0 Transfer GPA – UH-Downtown;
5. Approval of Bachelor of Arts in Religious Studies at the University of Houston – University of Houston;
6. Approval of Master of Public Policy at the University of Houston – University of Houston;
7. Approval of Master of Science in Marketing at the University of Houston – University of Houston;
8. Approval of Master of Science in Management Information Systems at the University of Houston – University of Houston;
9. Approval of Master of Science in Supply Chain Management at the University of Houston – University of Houston;
10. Approval of Master of Science in Global Energy Management at the University of Houston – University of Houston;
11. Approval of Doctor of Philosophy in Geosensing Systems Engineering and Sciences at the University of Houston – University of Houston; and
12. Approval of Doctor of Philosophy in Petroleum Engineering at the University of Houston – University of Houston.

This concluded the Academic and Student Success Committee Report.

Chairman Hollingsworth noted that the Academic and Student Success Committee had a very full agenda and pointed out a few of the items that had been approved:

(a) There were several wonderful new programs approved by the committee in the Bauer College of Business as well as the College of Engineering;
(b) The hiring of Mr. Leonard Baynes as the new UH Law School Dean. There was an extensive search done over the past 14 months which was chaired by Ms. Dona Cornell, Vice Chancellor and General Counsel and selected by Chancellor Renu Khator and Provost Paula Myrick Short. The Board is very excited to have Mr. Baynes as our new Dean of the UH Law School; and
(c) Congratulations to all faculty members who were promoted to both associate and full professor, as well as the faculty emeriti appointments and those who were so deserving of this honor.

The following committee report was addressed by the Chair of the Facilities, Construction and Master Planning Committee, Regent Welcome W. Wilson, Jr.

Facilities, Construction and Master Planning Committee Report – May 6, 2014

Regent Wilson, Jr. stated the Facilities, Construction and Master Planning Committee met on Tuesday, May 6, 2014, and approved the following five (5) action items for submission on the Board's Consent Docket Agenda for final Board approval:

1. Approval is requested for appointment of a Committee member and appointment term for the System-wide Art Acquisition Committee (SWAAC) – University of Houston System. Following the presentation of this item, Regent Armour nominated Regent Beth Madison to fill the vacant regent position on the SWAAC committee. Regent Hollingsworth seconded the motion. Regent Madison accepted the nomination and stated she would be honored to be a member of the SWAAC committee.
2. Approval is requested for the Campus Recreation and Wellness Center Natatorium Rehabilitation Project program at the University of Houston – University of Houston;
3. Approval is requested to delegate authority to the Chancellor to negotiate and execute contracts for the conveyance of land to the City of Sugar Land at the University of Houston-Sugar Land – University of Houston;
4. Approval is requested to update the University of Houston-Clear Lake Master Plan for the site and program of the new modular building – University of Houston-Clear Lake; and
5. Approval is requested for the University of Houston Capital Improvement Plan – University of Houston.

This concluded the Facilities, Construction and Master Planning Committee Report.

Following this committee report, Chairman Hollingsworth stated that Regent Madison, who was appointed to the SWAAC committee, had very extensive experience in the Arts community; and that the Board was excited to have Regent Madison as our regent representative on this committee. The Chairman thanked Regent Madison for accepting this nomination and for agreeing to serve on this committee.

Chairman Hollingsworth also noted that he had requested Dr. Carlucci address the UH Capital Improvement Plan at this meeting but since the majority of the Board members were present at the Facilities, Construction and Master Planning Committee to hear this report, it will not be discussed further today but will be included in the Board's Consent Docket for final approval.

The next committee report was presented by the Chair of the Endowment Management Committee, Regent Roger F. Welder.

Endowment Management Committee Report – May 6, 2014

Regent Welder stated the Endowment Management Committee met on Tuesday, May 6, 2014. There were no action items forwarded to the board that required final Board approval at the

meeting, but Regent Welder reported that the following items had been approved by the committee for the Board's reference:

1. The termination of an existing emerging markets equity manager, Aberdeen;
2. The hiring of two new emerging markets equity managers, Somerset and Northern Trust;
3. The hiring of a long/short hedge fund manager, SRS Partners Funds; and
4. The redemption from a long/short hedge fund manager, Samlyn Capital.

The Endowment Management Committee also heard two reports that were for information purposes only which required no committee action:

1. An audit report on UH System Support Organizations presented by Mr. Don Guyton, the System's Chief Audit Executive; and
2. A report from Cambridge Associates regarding asset allocation, performance, near term private investment opportunities, and other investment-related matters pertaining to the UH System Endowment Fund. The committee also had a thorough discussion about the progress toward achieving the long term asset allocation targets recently approved by the Board.

This concluded the Endowment Management Committee Report.

The following committee report was given by the Chair of the Audit and Compliance Committee, Regent Roger F. Welder.

Audit and Compliance Committee Report – May 7, 2014

Regent Welder stated the Audit and Compliance Committee meeting was held earlier in the day, Wednesday, May 7, 2014. The committee heard numerous reports all of which were for information only. The committee did not have any action items to forward which would require final Board approval today.

This concluded the Audit and Compliance Committee Report.

The final committee report was presented by the Chair of the Finance and Administration Committee, Regent Spencer D. Armour.

Finance and Administration Committee Report – May 7, 2014

Regent Armour stated the Finance and Administration Committee had met earlier in the day, Wednesday, May 7, 2014. There were six (6) action items presented for the committee's consideration and unanimously approved by the committee. The first action item presented pertained to the FY2015 UH System Financial Plan and Budget which will be addressed later on in the Board meeting for the Board's final approval. The remaining five (5) action items approved were placed on the Board's Consent Docket Agenda requiring the Board's final approval. They were as follows:

1. Approval is requested for the University of Houston System FY2015 Holiday Schedule – University of Houston System;

2. Approval is requested to delegate authority to the Chancellor to negotiate and execute contracts for design and construction of the Campus Recreation and Wellness Center Natatorium Rehabilitation Project – University of Houston;
3. Approval is requested to delegate authority to the Chancellor to negotiate and execute contracts and a ground lease for the development and construction of a compressed natural gas fueling facility at the University of Houston Energy Research Park – University of Houston;
4. Approval is requested to delegate authority to the Chancellor to negotiate and execute a lease for space to establish a San Antonio campus for the University of Houston – Conrad N. Hilton College of Hotel and Restaurant Management Bachelor of Science program – University of Houston; and
5. Approval is requested to delegate authority to the Chancellor to negotiate and execute the purchase and installation of a modular building at the University of Houston-Clear Lake – University of Houston-Clear Lake.

This concluded the Finance and Administration Committee Report.

At the conclusion of this committee report, pursuant to Board Bylaw 6.9, Chairman Hollingsworth asked if any regent wished to remove any of the items from the various Committee Reports' Consent Docket Agendas for further discussion.

On motion of Regent Taaffe, seconded by Regent Mendoza, and by a unanimous vote of the regents in attendance, all items presented in the Board's Consent Docket Agenda, unanimously approved by the various committees, were approved by the full Board.

After the approval of the Board's Consent Docket Agenda items, Chairman Hollingsworth moved to Section III, Committee Report item(s) not addressed in the Consent Docket Agenda but requiring final Board approval.

Chairman Hollingsworth requested Dr. Carlucci, Executive Vice Chancellor for Administration and Finance present the action item requiring final Board approval – the FY2015, UHS Financial Plan and Budget for the four (4) System institutions. There was a full discussion of this item at the Finance and Administration Committee meeting held earlier today; and the majority of the Board members was present at that meeting and heard the discussions. But being this is of such importance, the Chairman requested Dr. Carlucci give a brief overview of this item and following his presentation, the full Board would then consider and vote on the UH System Plan and Budget for FY2015.

1. Approval is requested for the University of Houston System FY2015 Financial Plan and Budget – UH System.

Dr. Carlucci introduced this item and stated the discussion had highlighted the focus of the four (4) campuses on enrollment; and that the budget as it was presented concentrated on enrollment and enrollment support issues.

The total budget for the UH System was $1.562 billion which is slightly down from last year's budget because of the decrease in capital spending. The operating budget was up by 3½ % to $1.388 billion. The majority of the revenue was coming from the university's

tuition and fee collection. The state appropriation, as a proportion of the budget, was down and there was a discussion on how the state formula had been reduced by inflation. The spending continues to be two-thirds of the budget for student success instruction and research.

The infrastructure in administration was up slightly due to new buildings, debt service and utilities. The plan for construction spending in the coming year was $175.0 million and represents projects for which we will get spending out the door as opposed to the full budget for those projects said Dr. Carlucci. Chairman Hollingsworth asked Dr. Carlucci if that amount was actually down from prior years? Dr. Carlucci stated that that was correct - it was down from last year's total of approximately $223 million and down from the prior year's total of approximately $247 million. This reflects the fact that when the market was in our favor; when construction prices were down; and the cost of money was down; we pushed out as much as we could during that period of time by building residence halls, parking garages, and various other buildings. The thing that would increase our construction spending would be tuition revenue bonds (TRBs) which will most likely be one of our big discussion items for the coming legislative session. Dr. Carlucci stated that it will continue to go down unless we see TRBs.

Dr. Carlucci recapped the revenue. Again the state appropriation was flat and we are in the second year of the biennium. The new benchmark year for the biennium will be Fall 2014 and our enrollment in that period will drive the new benchmark which will be Summer 2014; Fall 2014; and Spring 2015.

The tuition and fee revenue was up slightly again due to enrollment as well as to the rate increase that had been approved. The three (3) restricted funds (operating, grants and endowment) were all up slightly. Other operating was driven by auxiliaries (mainly support services) and they were up as a result of enrollment and the changing patterns at the campuses: the downward expansion at both UH-Clear Lake and UH-Victoria, as well as the attempts to create more full time students at UH-Downtown and the University of Houston. The FY2015 Operating Budget Expenditures by Function was broken down and outlined by Dr. Carlucci.

This presentation by Dr. Carlucci was a quick snapshot of the proposed budget. The details of the budget were reflected for each of the individual campuses in their schedules as well as their bridge table which reflected their spending on new programs; and the System presidents did outlined the new programs they were funding as part of their emphasis on enrollment.

Chairman Hollingsworth commented that since his arrival on the board five (5) years ago, that this was the first time that the budget had not actually increased in those five (5) years. This is due primarily because the university has been on such an aggressive capital construction schedule for the past several years that has resulted in wonderful new dining facilities, residential facilities, academic buildings, parking garages, etc. that have been built not only on this campus but at our System campuses as well, said Chairman Hollingsworth.

What we are seeing is simply the budget decrease; and that we will basically be spending less on capital construction this year. It has been an aggressive campaign and the System is much better for the aggressive building that has been completed over the last 4-5 years; and the System will start to see the benefits of that in the future. It is good to see a budget reduction for those reasons and this will keep the System financially sound.

Following the Chairman's remarks, Regent Hollingsworth entertained a motion to approve the University of Houston System FY2015 Financial Plan and Budget.

On motion of Regent Armour, seconded by Regent Madison, and by a unanimous vote of the regents in attendance, the request for the University of Houston System FY2015 Financial Plan and Budget was approved.

The next item on the Board's agenda was Item E, Report on Faculty Participation in Student Success Initiatives – University of Houston. Dr. Maria Elena Soliño, President of the UH Faculty Senate presented remarks on the core curriculum and below is a brief summary of Dr. Soliño's comments.

- The biggest project the Faculty Senate had undertaken this year was the revision of the core curriculum which had been state-mandated.
- The project was completed but there had been a few obstacles in the system.
- The purpose of the core curriculum was to produce a well-rounded, well-educated individual.
- The core categories were addressed as follows and more or less remain the same:
  (a) Communication – every student must take 6 credits of what are: (1) the basic English; (2) the writing; and (3) the composition courses. The change the state had mandated was that now we have to include assignments that involve teamwork; and for many of these, they have also added the category that needs to be included in the core classes - something re personal responsibility.
  (b) Mathematics – remains at 3 credit hours but the math courses must include activities that teach communication skills.
  (c) American History – remains the same – 6 credit hours.
  (d) Government – remains the same – 6 credit hours.
  (e) Humanities – the Humanities core has been changed. It will now be called Language, Philosophy, and Culture; and all of the courses in this new core must include assignments on social and personal responsibility. Dr. Soliño believes that the THECB is trying to make certain that students were culturally literate because when you read the descriptions of what they mean by social responsibility, it states that it is to promote communication across cultures and an understanding of the whole world.
  (f) Visual and Performing Arts – this has now been changed to Creative Arts. This is where the faculty are having the most difficulty. The issue here is that within the Visual and Performing Arts, there used to be two different categories. A student could either take a course which they learned about the arts (film course, theater course) or the student could also take a course where they produced works of art (studying Shakespeare versus performing on the stage; studying art history versus

creating paintings, sculptures, etc.). The state has now taken away the second option where they will consider the artistic production as part of the core. Dr. Soliño stated that this is where there are problems.

The THECB has rejected some of the music courses that used to be in the core. They are still writing about music in these courses but what the THECB does not want to accept is that actually performing music can teach you as much about the arts as a music appreciation class, history of jazz, etc. The Faculty Senate is still working on this issue.

Dr. Soliño stated that this was still fundamental for student success especially when you look at the "UH in 4" program because students must be able to double-dip the courses in the core. For example, if you have a political science major, we need to have courses in political science that are also fulfilling a core requirement or else it is very difficult for the student to complete all of their requirements in four (4) years. The Faculty Senate are particularly concerned about the music students; will they be able to complete a music degree in four (4) years if their music courses no longer count in the Creative Arts core category. This is something the Faculty Senate is working on. They are in communication with the THECB to see if there are some compromises and adjustments that can be made in this area.

(g) Natural Sciences – this is now changed to Life and Physical Sciences.

(h) Social and Behavioral Sciences – there is now a stronger emphasis on empirical and unquantitative reasoning. Each institution has the same state-mandated core but then each institution is allowed to pick or invent two (2) core categories that are particular to their needs. The University of Houston's are writing and the disciplines. Every student is required to take a course that teaches them how to write in their particular discipline. The second institutional core course requirement is unquantitative reasoning and those are courses like statistics.

Dr. Soliño stated the Faculty Senate had also been working on another project. The committee who had the oversight of the Graduate and Professional Studies was not yet a part of the Faculty Senate; it was still a committee that was off to the side on its own. The integration of the Graduate and Professional Studies Committee has been completed and it is now a part of the Faculty Senate. They are now at the point of modifying who is on that committee because it used to be appointed by the dean. There will still be appointees from the dean but there are currently more individuals being voted into the committee stated Dr. Soliño. The new individuals who will be voted into the Graduate and Professional Studies Committee will become Faculty Senators.

The Faculty Senate is also reviewing the Academic Honesty Policy for graduate students. The policy is in place for undergraduates but the policy for graduate students had not been reviewed for quite some time. A brief discussion followed.

Other student success initiatives mentioned – there were 28 senators involved in the Foundations of Excellence Program and that was with an outside institution, The Gardner Institute. This institution works with institutions to improve their first year

experience. The Faculty is currently in the process of doing a self-evaluation to see how they were doing in this area.

Dr. Soliño stated emeriti appointments had recently been approved by the Board and she stated that over the past few years, librarians have somehow gotten lost in this process. Librarians, more or less, get to promotion and tenure the same way the faculty do. When the Faculty Handbook was revised and the librarians were given different titles, they were left out of the part of the Faculty Handbook that defined who is eligible for the emeriti status. This is in the process of being corrected and librarians will again be eligible for this honor.

Dr. Soliño also distributed a copy of the Faculty Workload Policy from the Faculty Handbook which outlined what the faculty would be doing with their time over the summer. This policy had not been reviewed in the past several years so an upgrade was warranted. The committee had produced a graphic (not the final version) but it was an overview of what your typical faculty member was expected to do. It showed the three (3) main components of their position: (1) the teaching; (2) the research and scholarship; and (3) the service. Unfortunately, these categories were not always clearly defined. All work cannot be completed on a 9-month contract so much of the work must be done over the summer. Teaching is a full time job.

Another issue addressed by Dr. Soliño was how the workload could be distributed. The one major change here was that at one point in time when a faculty member was winding down his/her career or got to a certain age, some of the faculty had already done a tremendous amount of research and wanted to slow down. It was possible to shift the workload so that they would be free of any research responsibility but they would have a much heavier teaching load. Now with the Tier One status of our university that is no longer possible. If you are a tenured and/or tenured-track faculty member you must do research. This was the biggest change. In terms of the non-tenured track workload, there was a new policy being developed about how to compensate, promote and respect the non-tenured track faculty members. The non-tenured track faculty members make up roughly 50% of the faculty. A brief summary followed.

On behalf of the Board, Chairman Hollingsworth thanked Dr. Soliño and the Faculty Senate for the report and for all their hard work.

This item was for information only and required no board action.

At 1:48 p.m., Chairman Hollingsworth stated that he was taking the agenda out of order and pursuant to Subchapter D of Chapter 551 of the Texas Government Code, which allows governing boards to meet in closed session, Chairman Hollingsworth stated the Board would convene in Executive Session.

Executive Session Report

Chairman Hollingsworth reconvened in open session at 3:22 p.m. and the following matters were addressed in Executive Session.

A Litigation Status Report and Legal Briefing were given by the General Counsel, Dona Cornell.

The Board also discussed contracts for the new University of Houston's Head Basketball Coach and the new contract for the University of Houston's Head Football Coach – University of Houston. No action was taken in executive session. This item will now be considered and addressed by the Board.

Chairman Hollingsworth moved to the next item on the Board's agenda, Item F, Approval of the contract for the new University of Houston's Head Basketball Coach and of the new contract for the University of Houston's Head Football Coach – University of Houston and requested Mr. Mack Rhoades, Vice President for Intercollegiate Athletics present this item.

Mr. Rhoades introduced this item and presented an overview of each contract for the Board's consideration. Below is a brief summary of his remarks.

Kelvin Sampson – UH's Head Basketball Coach

- Coach Sampson was hired approximately 4-6 weeks ago.
- The term of his contract is for five (5) years and will expire on May 31, 2019.
- His guaranteed salary is made up of two (2) components: (a) a base salary and (b) a non-salary compensation - that guaranteed a total salary of $900,000 which comparative in our league is still at the low end.
- There is a deferred compensation package as well (the coach must be with the university for five (5) years before receiving any payout).
- There is also standard performance incentives included in the contract based on academic performance, athletic performance, coaching recognition, and tickets sold.
- And like all of the universities' coaching contracts, it includes a termination without cause clause in the contract. If the University of Houston were to terminate this contract without cause and/or if Coach Sampson were to leave prior to the end of the five (5) year contract.

Chairman Hollingsworth entertained a motion to approve this contract as presented.

On motion of Regent Armour, seconded by Regent Welder, and by unanimous vote of the regents in attendance, the new contract for the University of Houston's Basketball Coach, Kelvin Sampson was approved.

Following this approval, Mr. Rhoades addressed the second contract for the University of Houston's Head Football Coach for the Board's consideration.

Tony Levine – UH's Head Football Coach

- Coach Levine's original contract was from December 22, 2011 through January 2, 2017.
- This contract was for a two (2) year extension and will now expire on January 2, 2019.
- His guaranteed compensation is $925,000 and comparative in the American Athletic Conference, this is still on the low end.
- This contract includes deferred compensation (the coach must be with the university for five (5) years before receiving any payout)
- Performance incentives included in the contract based on academic performance, athletic performance, coaching recognition, and tickets sold.

- There is also a termination without cause clause in the contract. If the University of Houston were to terminate the contract with Coach Levine what the University would owe him and vice versa should the coach terminate his contract before the five (5) years.

Chairman Hollingsworth entertained a motion to approve this contract as presented.

On motion of Regent Armour, seconded by Regent Taaffe, and by unanimous vote of the regents in attendance, the new contract for the University of Houston's Football Coach, Tony Levine was approved.

The next item listed on the Board's agenda was the Chair's Report. Below is a brief summary of Chairman Hollingsworth's remarks:

Chair's Report:

The Chairman highlighted that the university had been working with the City of Houston for some time on the university's entrance on Cullen Boulevard. He was proud to report that we have entered into an arrangement with the City of Houston to begin immediate repairs to Cullen Boulevard to make it much more drivable; and it is planned to be completed before our first home football game in August 2014. The Board and the university are very excited about that and he thanked the Board, the Mayor Parker, and Councilman Boykins, whose district we are located, and the members of the city for their cooperation and getting this completed.

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Chancellor's Report:

Chancellor Renu Khator presented a UH System-wide report to the Board and below is a brief summary of Dr. Khator's remarks:

University of Houston System-wide Achievements:

- The four (4) UH System universities will award a total of 8,141 degrees at 14 commencement ceremonies. The total degrees awarded at the University of Houston was 4,939; the total degrees awarded at UH-Clear Lake was 1,737; the total degrees awarded at UH-Downtown was 1,041; and the total degrees awarded at UH-Victoria was 424.
- The appointment of a Sugar Land Transition Team was announced. Dana Rooks, Elizabeth Rockwell Endowed Dean's Chair and Dean of Libraries, will serve as Executive Planning Director. The transition team is expected to issue its report in October.
- Nearly 25,000 students have enrolled in our three (3) inaugural MOOC's (Massive Open Online Courses). Classes in calculus and statistics, developed by UH, started on March 17 to help high school students prepare for the AP exams. Enrollment has exceeded 15,000 and students continue to enroll daily as we draw nearer to the AP Exams scheduled for May 9 and May 12. The third course developed by UH-Victoria is designed for high school teachers and administrators looking to improve their classroom management skills. It was launched on April 7 with 5,000 students, and its enrollment continues to grow as well.

University of Houston Achievements:

- Four (4) nationally and internationally competitive awards have been bestowed on UH faculty members as follows:
  (a) Ange Mlinko, assistant professor in the Creative Writing Program, was awarded a Guggenheim Fellowship. She was one of only 173 individuals in the United States and Canada selected for this honor from among 3,000 applications.
  (b) Nicolás Kanellos, Brown Foundation Professor of Hispanic Studies and Director of Arte Público Press, has been awarded the Enrique Anderson Imbert lifetime achievement award from the North American Academy of the Spanish language for contributing to the knowledge and dissemination of the Spanish language and Hispanic culture in the United States.
  (c) Abinadi Meza, assistant professor of art in interdisciplinary practices and emerging forms, is the recipient of a Rome Prize, presented by the American Academy in Rome. He is one of only 30 arts and humanities professionals to receive this year's award, and one of only four selected from 500 applicants for visual arts fellowships.
  (d) Jody Williams, Nobel Peace Laureate and Sam and Cele Keeper Endowed Professor in Peace and Social Justice in the Graduate College of Social Work had been selected as a 2014 recipient of the prestigious Olof Palme Medal for her work in support of human rights and in banning anti-personnel landmines.
- UH Athletics continues to make the news, in the classroom as well as the playing fields. Twenty-five percent of student-athletes are currently on the Dean's List. As of the meeting date, the Cougar baseball team is ranked No. 13 nationally, the highest since 2003. The men's golf team is seeded No. 2 in the NCAA regionals; and the men's outdoor track and field team won the 2014 American Athletic Conference Championship, the first American team title in UH history.
- The Health and Biomedical Sciences Center building has won the Houston Business Journal's 2014 Landmark in the medical project category. The award recognizes real estate projects that improve Houston's image.
- *The Princeton Review* has included UH in its 2014 "Guide to 332 Green Colleges" for the fifth consecutive year. The guide lauds UH for promoting environmental literacy and sustainable behavior on campus, including the installation of 61 filtered water refill stations to reduce the use of plastic bottles.
- The Welcome Wilson History Collaborative has been created in the UH Center for Public History. It is funded thanks to a generous gift from Welcome W. Wilson, Sr., UH alumnus and former Chairman of the UH System Board of Regents. Formerly known as the Houston History Project, the newly named collaborative will continue to publish Houston History magazine.

University of Houston-Clear Lake Achievements:

- Houston Endowment presented the second $500,000 installment of a $1 million grant awarded in support of UHCL's transition to a four-year university. The funds have made a significant impact on the expansion of services offered by Academic Advising, the Placement Testing Center, the Office of Veteran Services, the Student Success Center, and the Math Center. Expanding its academic offerings to include freshman- and sophomore-level coursework is the most significant development in the university's history since its opening in fall 1974.

- More than 2,000 prospective students have applied for freshman- and sophomore-level admission to UHCL since the university began accepting applications in August 2013. UHCL's first-ever-freshman class will be welcomed to campus in Fall 2014. The university anticipants that 300 to 400 freshman and sophomore students will enroll.
- The Texas Commission on Environmental Quality and the Environmental Protection Agency awarded a $204,300 grant to UHCL's Environmental Institute of Houston to study the water quality of Texas rivers and streams. Dr. George Guillen, Associate Professor of Biology and Environmental Science and the Executive Director of the Institute, will lead a team of scientists, graduate students, and student interns to conduct the study, which will provide data for use in a statewide and nationwide EPA assessment of streams and rivers.

University of Houston-Downtown Achievements:

- The Association of Advance Collegiate Schools of Business (AACSB International) awarded the College of Business a full five-year extension of its initial accreditation. Founded in 1916, AACSB International is the longest serving global accrediting body for business schools that offer undergraduate, master's, and doctoral degrees in business and accounting. AACSB accreditation is the hallmark of excellence in business education, and has been earned by less than 5 percent of the world's business programs.
- The Harris County Sheriff's Office has partnered with the Criminal Justice Training Center in the College of Public Service to prepare candidates for law enforcement positions. Certified Texas Commission on Law Enforcement instructors will provide cadets with basic peace officer training, qualifying them for the Texas Peace Officer License Exam. The center has one of the state's highest passing averages on the exam. The program also allows for cadets to complete a bachelor's degree in criminal justice at UHD.
- Janusz Grebowicz, associate professor of natural sciences, was selected for a 2014-2015 Fullbright W.S. scholar grant to Poland. Adolfo Lara, a recent graduate, who is enrolled in a doctoral program in comparative biology at the American Museum of Natural History, was selected by the National Science Foundation to participate in its prestigious Graduate Research Fellowship Program. Former student, Ali Nomani, was selected to participate in the Urban Scholars program at the Harvard Graduate School of Education where he will pursue a master's degree in education.

University of Houston-Victoria Achievements:

- Raymond V. Morgan, Jr. has been named interim president. Prior to his appointment, he was president emeritus and professor of mathematics at Sul Ross State University. He served as the 10th president of Sul Ross from 1990 to 2009 and was he first president of the university to come from within the ranks of its faculty. After that, he was special assistant to the vice chancellor and president-designate of the University of North Texas at Dallas until August 2010.
- An accreditation review team with the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools Commission on Colleges visited UHV and renewed the university's accreditation for the next 10 years without any findings. This is a significant achievement and we applaud UHV for this success.
- After a record year in which new freshman enrollment increased 14 percent and the number of students with SAT scores greater than 1,000 increased by 44 percent, UHV Student Affairs and Enrollment Management has implemented strategic efforts to increase freshman enrollment for Fall 2014 by at least 20 percent. Concerted efforts across the division have led to a more personalized recruitment experience for freshman. These include financial aid

award letters going out earlier, the use of both priority queries and Free Application for Federal Student Aid school-ranking data, and improved on-campus registration days. UHV's goal is to have more than 400 freshmen for the fall semester.

A copy of the Chancellor's Report has been filed in the Board office. This item was for information only and required no board action.

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Information Only

Chairman Hollingsworth stated two individuals had signed up for Open Forum and attended the meeting.

1. Mr. Daniel Arp, from UH-Downtown, addressed the board on the topic of pay gap; and
2. Mr. Reginald Moore, a resident from the City of Sugar Land, re preserving Black history on the UH Sugar Land campus.

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There being no further action to come before the Board the meeting adjourned at 4:28 p.m.

All documentation submitted to the Board in support of the foregoing action items, including but not limited to "Passed" agenda items and supporting documentation presented to the Board, is incorporated herein and made a part of these minutes for all purposes; however, this does not constitute a waiver of any privileges contained herein.

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Others Present:

Renu Khator	Richie Hunter	Raymond Bartlett
Carl Carlucci	Maria Elena Soliño	Lisa Gossett
Paula Myrick Short	Richard Bonnin	Dick Phillips
Dona Cornell	Tom Ehardt	David Bradly
Elwyn Lee	Oscar Gutierrez	Asit R. Shah
Eloise Dunn Stuhr	Reginald Moore	Daniel Arp
Bill Flores	Don Guyton	Vernita Harris
Vic Morgan	Ed Hugetz	Jeffrey Cass
Bill Staples	Shannon Harris	David Ellis
Darrin Hall	Joe Brueggman	Brandon Alexander
Dan Maxwell	Monica Dickerson	Mark Clarke
Mike Emery	Dick Phillips	Dan Wells
Gordon Luce	Wayne Beran	Lauri Ruiz
Steve Wallace`	Chris Stanich	Phil Booth
Matthew Brawley	Jon Aldrich	Don Price
Brian Thomas	Shannon Harrison	Gordon Luce
Brenda Robles	Marquette Hobbs	Gerry Mathisen