

Agenda Item No. 14

AGENDA ITEM BRIEFING

Submitted by: R. Bowen Loftin, President
Texas A&M University

Subject: Appointment of Interim Chief Executive Officer, Texas A&M Health
Science Center

Proposed Board Action:

Appoint Dr. Brett Giroir as Interim Chief Executive Officer (CEO) of Texas A&M Health Science Center (TAMHSC), effective November 1, 2013.

Background Information:

This agenda item seeks to add the designation of Interim CEO to Dr. Giroir's Interim Executive Vice President title which would make him Interim Executive Vice President *and* CEO, effective November 1, 2013. System Policy *01.03, Appointing Power and Terms and Conditions of Employment*, provides that the Board of Regents shall appoint interim CEOs.

A copy of Dr. Giroir's bio is attached.

A&M System Funding or Other Financial Implications:

An initial salary of \$551,000 is recommended for Dr. Giroir.

Agenda Item No. 14

TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY

Office of the President
October 24, 2013

Members, Board of Regents
The Texas A&M University System

Subject: Appointment of Interim Chief Executive Officer, Texas A&M Health Science Center

I recommend adoption of the following minute order:

“Dr. Brett Giroir is hereby appointed Interim Chief Executive Officer, Texas A&M Health Science Center, effective November 1, 2013, at an initial salary of \$551,000.”

Respectfully submitted,

[ORIGINAL SIGNED BY]

R. Bowen Loftin
President

Approval Recommended:

[ORIGINAL SIGNED BY]

John Sharp
Chancellor

[ORIGINAL SIGNED BY]

Billy Hamilton
Executive Vice Chancellor and
Chief Financial Officer

Approved for Legal Sufficiency:

[ORIGINAL SIGNED BY]

Ray Bonilla
General Counsel



Brett P. Giroir, M.D.

Interim Executive Vice President
Texas A&M Health Science Center

Professor, College of Medicine, Texas A&M Health Science Center
Professor, Department of Biomedical Engineering,
Dwight Look College of Engineering
Adjunct Professor, Bush School of Government and Public Service

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Dr. Brett Giroir assumed interim leadership of Texas A&M Health Science Center in October 2013. The Texas A&M Health Science Center is a premier assembly of colleges devoted to educating health professionals and researchers that seeks to transform health through innovative teaching and research in dentistry, medicine, nursing, biomedical sciences, pharmacy and public health.

Prior to joining the Health Science Center, Dr. Giroir served as Vice Chancellor for Strategic Initiatives for the Texas A&M University System and Principal Investigator for the Texas A&M Center for Innovation in Advanced Development and Manufacturing, a public-private partnership with the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services designed to enhance the nation's emergency preparedness against emerging infectious diseases, including pandemic influenza, and chemical, biological, radiological and nuclear threats.

Dr. Giroir received his undergraduate degree in Biology, *magna cum laude*, from Harvard University and his medical degree from the University of Texas Southwestern Medical Center, *Alpha Omega Alpha*. His post-doctoral training was conducted at the Howard Hughes Medical Institute in Dallas under the mentorship of Dr. Bruce Beutler. Dr. Giroir remained on the faculty at UT Southwestern from 1993-2004, achieving a rank of tenured Professor. He held two endowed chairs, and served as the Associate Dean for Clinical Affairs at UT Southwestern Medical Center, as well as the first Chief Medical Officer at Children's Medical Center of

Dallas. He has published extensively in both the basic and clinical literature, with special emphasis on host-pathogen interactions and novel therapies for life-threatening infectious diseases.

From 2004 until 2008, Dr Giroir accepted the opportunity to serve in the Federal Government as Deputy Director, then Director, of the Defense Sciences Office of the Defense Advanced Research Projects Agency (DARPA) in Arlington, Virginia. Dr. Giroir directed a research portfolio of approximately \$450 million annually that spanned from fundamental physics to biodefense.

Dr. Giroir is currently a member of the Scientific and Prevention Advisory Council of the Cancer Prevention and Research Institute of Texas (CPRIT), the Scientific Advisory Boards of the Biodesign Institute at Arizona State University and the A. Alfred Taubman Medical Research Institute at the University of Michigan, and on the Board of Directors for BioHouston and NASA's National Space Biomedical Research Institute. Dr. Giroir is a former member of the American Board of Pediatrics, the Defense Sciences Research Council, The NASA Planetary Protection Panel, and an alumnus of the Defense Sciences Study Group.

Dr. Giroir is the recipient of the Secretary of Defense Medal for Outstanding Public Service, the Texas A&M University System Excellence in Innovation Award in 2010, and was a finalist for the 2012 Dallas Morning News Texan of the Year Award.

Agenda Item No. 12

AGENDA ITEM BRIEFING

Submitted by: R. Bowen Loftin, President
Texas A&M University

Subject: Appointment of Health Science Center Vice President for Public Health Preparedness and Response

Proposed Board Action:

Appoint Gerald Parker, Jr., D.V.M., Ph.D., M.S., as Health Science Center (HSC) Vice President for Public Health Preparedness and Response at Texas A&M University (Texas A&M), effective November 1, 2013.

Background Information:

System Policy [01.03, Appointing Power and Terms and Conditions of Employment](#), states that the Board of Regents shall appoint vice presidents of system member universities.

This agenda item seeks to appoint Dr. Gerald Parker to the newly created position of HSC Vice President for Public Health Preparedness and Response at Texas A&M. He will also serve as the Principal Investigator for the Center for Innovation in Advanced Development and Manufacturing (CIADM).

The CIADM was created and led by Dr. Brett Giroir as Principal Investigator. The \$286.5M contract was awarded to The Texas A&M University System in June 2012 to enhance the nation's ability to counter biological and pandemic threats with vaccines and countermeasures manufactured in the United States.

Effective October 1, 2013, Dr. Giroir became the Interim Executive Vice President of the Texas A&M University Health Science Center (TAMHSC). In conjunction with Dr. Giroir's new position, the CIADM was moved under the administrative leadership of the TAMHSC. The position of the HSC Vice President for Public Health Preparedness and Response at Texas A&M is a new position and in this role, Dr. Parker will replace Dr. Giroir as the Principal Investigator for the CIADM.

As HSC Vice President for Public Health Preparedness and Response at Texas A&M, Dr. Parker will be responsible for providing leadership for the development, implementation and communication of Public Health Preparedness and Response initiatives within the TAMHSC; serve as Principal Investigator for strategic programs related to public health preparedness; increase the TAMHSC's effectiveness in securing external funding for strategic initiatives to include strategic planning and coordination with state and federal governmental affairs; lead functional teams or other individuals/groups to develop partnerships with external entities to further strategic initiatives for the TAMHSC; and develop and implement innovative partnerships both within and external to the TAMHSC.

A copy of Dr. Parker's resume is attached.

A&M System Funding or Other Financial Implications:

Dr. R. Bowen Loftin recommends that Dr. Parker's initial salary of \$280,000 be funded 60% from BARDA CIADM, 30% from TAMHSC general institutional funds and 10% from the Department of Homeland Security's Foreign Animal and Zoonotic Disease Defense.

Agenda Item No. 12

TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY

Office of the President

September 23, 2013

Members, Board of Regents
The Texas A&M University System

Subject: Appointment of Health Science Center Vice President for Public Health
Preparedness and Response

I recommend adoption of the following minute order:

“Dr. Gerald Parker, Jr. is hereby appointed Health Science Center Vice President for Public Health Preparedness and Response at the Texas A&M Health Science Center, at an initial salary of \$280,000, effective November 1, 2013.”

Respectfully submitted,

[ORIGINAL SIGNED BY]

R. Bowen Loftin, President
Texas A&M University

Approval Recommended:

[ORIGINAL SIGNED BY]

John Sharp
Chancellor

Approved for Legal Sufficiency:

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Ray Bonilla
General Counsel

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Billy Hamilton
Executive Vice Chancellor and
Chief Financial Officer

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E.J. Jere Pederson
Interim Executive Vice President and CEO

Gerald W. Parker, Jr.
D.V.M., Ph.D., M.S.

Employment Status: Federal Government/Career Senior Executive Service
 Security Clearance: Top Secret/SCI

PROFESSIONAL PROFILE:

Held increasingly responsible technical, management and leadership positions throughout 35+ years of dedicated Federal public service as a recognized interagency, whole of government leader spanning from research and development to disaster preparedness and response. This includes 9 years in the career Senior Executive Service in the Department of Defense, the Department of Health and Human Services, and the Department of Homeland Security; and 26 years active duty military in the Army Medical Department.

Goal-driven leader with broad strategic and operational success as a public servant, transforming complex organizations and programs by crystallizing direction, addressing emergent concerns, and executing tactical-to-strategic, multi-layered action plans simultaneously to improve and enhance performance. Vibrant communicator, and recognized leader, with ability to persuade effectively at all levels; with particular success in communicating complex medical, scientific, and research and development initiatives, as well as all-hazard emergency preparedness and disaster response concepts to the Executive Branch, Congress, and other stakeholders. This includes state and local authorities and their communities; academia, industry, and other non-government organizations; and international partners and collaborators.

Federal Government, Interagency, and Internationally recognized achievement in leading large research, development, and acquisition programs and organizations, as well as overseeing and coordinating national and international level response to catastrophic natural and man-made disasters. Recognized expert in all-hazards public health and medical preparedness and response; from emerging infectious diseases bioterrorism preparedness to other natural disasters, including coordinating Federal public health and medical responses to hurricanes Katrina through Alex, to the 2009 H1N1 Pandemic and Haiti Earthquake.

Experienced in managing and leading change, including through periods of contracting and expanding resources. Exceptional leader in utilizing principles of shared governance and meta-leadership, with an emphasis on workforce professional development, mentoring and teaching. Recipient of 2009 Distinguished Executive Presidential Rank Award.

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE:

<p>Deputy Assistant Secretary of Defense for Chemical and Biological Defense Career Senior Executive Service Office of Acquisitions, Technology, & Logistics / Nuclear, Chemical, and Biological Defense Programs, Office of the Secretary, Department of Defense, Washington, D.C. Supervisor: Mr. Andy Weber, Assistant Secretary for Nuclear, Chemical and Biological Defense Programs</p>	<p>November 2010 to present</p>
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Provide global emerging infectious disease, biological, and chemical defense capabilities in support of national strategies to protect U.S. service members and civilians, at home and abroad. As the Deputy Assistant Secretary of Defense for the \$1.4 Billion (annual) Chemical and Biological Defense Program, defined and implemented strategic direction; and provided strategic leadership, management, and oversight for this research, development, and acquisition enterprise, to include collaboration/integration with interagency and international partners. Promote and lead international infectious disease, chemical and biological defense; and all-hazard preparedness initiatives with established and new international partners.

Accomplishments:

- Recruited and built new, highly regarded and high performance Leadership Team, to include new staff from the White House, Industrial College of the Armed Forces, the Joint Staff, and academia.
- Completed comprehensive strategic review and strategic planning process with all stakeholders culminating in publishing the 2020 Chemical and Biological Defense Strategic and Business Plans for the Department's Chemical and Biological Defense Enterprise. The new plans, for the first time, establish effective governance, metrics, and milestones to achieve near-, mid-, and far-term deliverables and improve outcomes in support of National and Departmental priorities.
- Applied the new strategy and business plans in leading and directing the 5-year, ~7Billion Program Objective Memorandum as part of the Department's budget submission in compliance with, and cascading from, National, Departmental, and Combatant Commander's priorities.
 - New priorities included emphasis on development of medical countermeasures including providing access to state of the art flexible and agile advanced development capabilities, point of care diagnostics, and global biosurveillance for emerging infectious diseases and other biological threats.
- Selected by the DOD Comptroller as one of the Department's exemplar programs in terms of asserting financial audit readiness as demonstrated by our progress to-date, as well as size, nature, and complexity of the portfolio and business model.
- Led the development and completion of the Department's Global Biosurveillance Operational Plan in support of the White House's National Strategy for Biosurveillance.
- Transformed international collaborations and long-standing strategic partnerships, to include:
 - Expanded the Memorandum of Understanding with the United Kingdom, Canada, and Australia to incorporate Ministries of Health along with Ministries of Defense for the development of medical countermeasures, diagnostics and global biosurveillance capabilities.
 - Established the Able Response, whole of government exercise with the Republic of Korea to improve preparedness and response to biological threats, either natural or intentional; and all-hazard preparedness and disaster response capabilities. Initiated planning with the government of Japan and Australia to extend the Able Response exercise and biological preparedness holistically to the Asia Pacific region.
 - Established new chemical and biological medical countermeasures, diagnostic, and public health biosurveillance research and development collaborations with India, France, and Israel.
 - Supported the initiation of new, interagency biological engagement programs to provide assistance in building host country International Health Regulation capabilities, as well as biosecurity and biosafety measures in South East Asia and Africa.

**Principal Deputy Assistant Secretary
for Preparedness and Response**

25 July 2005 to November 2010

Career Senior Executive Service

Office of the Assistant Secretary for Preparedness and Response (ASPR)

Office of the Secretary, Department of Health and Human Services, Washington, D.C.

Supervisor: RADM Nichole Lurie and RADM Craig Vanderwagen, Assistant Secretary for Preparedness and Response

The Assistant Secretary for Preparedness and Response (ASPR) serves as the Secretary's, Department of Health and Human Services, principal advisor on matters related to all-hazard public health and medical preparedness and disaster response, and is responsible for ensuring unified, integrated approach and resultant policies in preparing for and responding to public health and medical effects of natural and man-made disasters. The ASPR goals and objectives are accomplished through integrating and coordinating activities across the Public Health Emergency Medical Counter-Measures Enterprise (PHEMCE) that spans medical research, development, and acquisition to preparedness planning and response operations.

The primary components of the PHEMCE Enterprise includes the Centers of Disease Control and Prevention, the Food and Drug Administration, the National Institutes of Health, the Department of Defense, Veteran's Affairs, Department of Homeland Security, and the U.S. Department of Agriculture.

As Principal Deputy Assistant Secretary, coordinates with White House National Security Staff, interagency and international partners, as well as state and local authorities on the development of Presidential policies, directives, and executive orders. Provide leadership within the ASPR and the PHEMCE for the development and implementation of comprehensive policies and programs in support of Presidential policies/directives and legislation. Establish subsequent short and long-term strategic goals and objectives from medical research, development, and acquisition to preparedness planning and response for the adverse health effects of public health emergencies and disasters for the civilian population. ASPR operated with a staff of >600 under direct leadership, with 6000+ intermittent Federal employees in the National Disaster Medical System across the U.S. and territories.

Accomplishments:

Recipient of 2009 Distinguished Executive Presidential Rank Award for the following:

- Led the implementation of the Pandemic and All-Hazards Preparedness Act (PAHPA) statute, authorizing HHS to lead Federal public health and medical response to emergencies. Critical achievements include:
 - Established Biomedical Advanced Research and Development Authority to lead development and acquisition of critical medical countermeasures against naturally occurring or man-made disasters, resulting in ASPR's \$2B investment (1 of top 15 public or private sector investors in U.S. R&D market), stimulating growth of manufacturing infrastructure for the discovery, product maturity and acquisition of medical countermeasures for influence pandemic as well as chemical, biological, radiological and nuclear (CBRN) threats.
 - Developed initial National Health Security Strategy Framework to identify public health and medical preparedness goals.

- Chartered and convened the National Biodefense Science Board to advise the Secretary of HHS on preparedness and disaster response matters.
- Expanded national public health and medical response preparedness and response capability via operational integration of the National Disaster Medical System of 6,000+ medical specialists configured in deployable teams with National Hospital Preparedness Grant Program to States and localities.
- Advanced operational development of medical countermeasure dispensing by conducting three operational drills in Seattle, Philadelphia, and Boston of the Cities Readiness Initiative Postal module, pilot-testing the Home Med Kit module, and establishing an operational pilot capability in Minneapolis/St. Paul for rapid dispensing of antibiotics in the event of an anthrax attack.
- In accordance with Homeland Security Presidential Directive (HSPD) 21, established and chaired Interagency Public Health and Medical Task Force. Spearheaded interagency development of the “Public Health and Medical Preparedness Implementation Plan”, submitted to the White House, which highlights four public health and medical preparedness components: biosurveillance, medical countermeasure stockpiling and distribution, mass casualty care, and community resilience.
- In accordance with HSPD 18, led development and publishing of the HHS Public Health Emergency Medical Countermeasures Enterprise Strategy, Implementation Plan, and first BARDA Strategic Plan outlining priority medical countermeasure goals for the highest priority Chemical, Biological, radiological, and nuclear threat agents. Products developed and procured for the Strategic National Stockpile include anthrax vaccines, anthrax antitoxins, antibiotics, botulinum antitoxins, the ACAM smallpox vaccine, the modified vaccinia smallpox vaccine, radiation countermeasures, and chemical treatment kits forward deployed; as well as new advanced development programs for antivirals, vaccines, broad spectrum antimicrobial therapies, chemical and radiation countermeasures.
- Championed development of new paradigm for HHS incident response, leveraging Katrina “lessons learned”. Created incident management structure to harness available HHS assets across spectrum of urgent medical services, public health, and mental health to human services. Collaborated with Federal, State and local partners to develop an integrated public health and medical National Preparedness Strategy that emphasized joint planning, information sharing and coordination of response assets, resulting in significant life-sustaining and life-saving improvements, as demonstrated by the increase in responders pre-deployed prior to Hurricane Gustav in 2008 (1100 responders) compared with Hurricane Katrina (37); and evacuation of 10,000 medical special needs individuals, and established 6 Federal Medical Stations (1500 beds) pre-landfall for Gustav.
- Provided executive leadership for HHS efforts to prepare for an Influenza Pandemic including the development and approval of the first U.S. vaccine for humans against the Avian Influenza H5N1 virus.
- Hosted the first Global Health Security Initiative Public Health Emergency Medical Countermeasures Workshop establishing a global preparedness infrastructure framework and elevated international medical countermeasure development and availability as an ongoing Ministerial level working agenda.
- Led the development of the first ASPR Strategic Plan, which identified ASPR’s mission, vision, and 22 strategic objectives to support preparedness goals at the international, national, community and individual level.

Selected Additional Leadership Accomplishments: Key leader and contributor in the development of national and international policies to proactively plan for biodefense and pandemic influenza countermeasures development and other health related emergency preparedness policies and plans, from research planning and development, proposed use of countermeasures, global access to scarce medical resources in the developing world, operations, and education of health care providers and the general public.

Promoted international coalitions and projects through various U.S. government bi-and multi-lateral agreements, including the Biotechnology Engagement Programs, the Security and Prosperity Partnership Program of North America, the Global Health Security Strategic Initiative, the World Health Organization, and through implementation of the International Health Regulations.

Led internal and external organizational change, while at the same time, providing mature, stabilizing influence in the Department and interagency Domestic Resilience Group during the Executive Branch transition, an extended period of heightened alert, and during the 2009 H1N1 Pandemic.

Served as a key member and leader of the executive team that managed the 2009 H1N1 Pandemic response; including the rapid implementation of a plan to procure over 100 million doses of H1N1 bulk doses of vaccine antigen and 45 million doses of adjuvant within 30 days of the Secretary's declaration of a public health emergency; and securing a \$7.6B budget supplemental that was developed, submitted, and approved by Congress within 60 days of the declaration.

Key figure in leading and designing national strategy to address the H5N1 pandemic influenza policies, budgets, and national plans, as well as a serving as a key leader of the executive team that successfully managed the Avian pandemic influenza portfolio of over \$5.6B. Portfolio diversity included advanced development and procurement of vaccines, antivirals and diagnostics, including awards up to \$1B for advanced development of cell-based influenza vaccines. Program activities led to the establishment of U.S. based manufacturing facilities for seasonal and pandemic surge manufacturing capacity, and development of laboratory diagnostic capability and vaccine research and development in selected underdeveloped countries in partnership with the WHO. This foundation enabled the rapid response to the 2009 H1N1 Pandemic.

Promoted continued advancements in medical R&D, international scientific and operational collaboration, and enabling policies that facilitate the rapid advancement of the life sciences while improving laboratory security, biosafety, and personal reliability.

Served on various boards and committees to include:

- *Ex officio* member of the National Science Advisory Board for Biosecurity (NSABB), and provided strategic leadership for the HHS intra-agency (ASPR, CDC, FDA, NIH, OGC) policy coordination process to develop an implementation plan to address NSABB's recommendations in the reports; "Addressing Biosecurity Concerns Related to the Synthesis of Select Agents" and "Proposed Framework for the Oversight of Dual Use Life Sciences".
- Co-Chaired, with USDA, the U.S. government's task force for improving laboratory biosafety oversight.
- Served as Ex officio member, FEMA National Advisory Council
- Served as Member, Institute of Medicine Forum on Emergency Public Health and Medical Preparedness

- Led an Institute of Medicine (IOM) workshop on countermeasure distribution and dispensing to promote novel strategies and approaches to effect timely medical countermeasure dispensing to large populations in the event of a bioterrorism attack or pandemic.
- Promoted a debate and dialogue on how to finance and sustain medical emergency surge preparedness, and engaged the Institute of Medicine Forum, health economists and other associations to take up this topic.
- Serve as the principal U.S. government representative to the World Health Organization's Technical Advisory Group for Variola Virus Research.
- Co-Chaired the Federal Experts Security Advisory Panel to support implementation of the Executive Order to Optimize Laboratory Biosecurity and Biosafety.

Director

5 April 2004 to 24 July 2005

Career Senior Executive Service

Biological Countermeasures Programs and Facilities Office,

Science and Technology Directorate, Department of Homeland Security, Washington, D.C.

Supervisor: Dr. Charles E. McQueary, Under Secretary for Science & Technology

The Biological Countermeasures Programs and Facilities Office was established to provide management oversight of the Department of Homeland Security's biodefense programs, to include the National Biodefense Analysis and Countermeasures Center (NBACC), the Plum Island Animal Disease Center, and the National Laboratory biodefense programs, with a combined budget of ~\$250M, including a \$128M laboratory construction budget. The NBACC was responsible for the development and execution of an intelligence-informed, scientifically based bio-defense risk assessment and bio-forensics programs to help defend against increasingly sophisticated threat of potential bioterrorism attacks.

As Director, transitioned legacy programs to address evolving homeland security requirements. Oversaw biocontainment laboratory stewardship and laboratory concept exploration, design, and construction planning. Principal liaison with other Federal agencies, the Homeland Security Council, and national organizations, with varying responsibilities in the development of the national biodefense strategy, and homeland security strategy.

Accomplishments:

- Led implementation of strategic working relationships with interagency partners and stakeholders, including HHS, DOD, Department of Agriculture (USDA), Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI) and Intelligence Community. Examples include:
 - Developed strategic biodefense partnerships. Created vision for, and was a driving force to establish the National Interagency Biodefense Campus at Fort Detrick to maximize interagency cooperation and mission efficiency.
 - Developed strategic partnership with the FBI on WMD forensic laboratory analysis. Co- led development of the Joint DHS/FBI strategic WMD forensics framework, as well as established the interim National Bioforensic Analysis Center at Fort Detrick to support on-going law enforcement investigations.
- Completed concept for design and in-depth planning, including the environmental impact statement, for construction of a modern and secure maximum biocontainment laboratory for the \$128M National Biodefense and Analysis and Countermeasures Center.

- Led and managed successful transition of the Plum Island Animal Disease Laboratory from USDA to DHS.
- Selected by Secretary to lead the biodefense task force, one of ~20 work groups, for Secretary Chertoff's second-stage review and analysis on progress towards implementing the start-up of the Department of Homeland Security.

Assistant Deputy for Research and Development

August 2001 to April 2004

Colonel, U.S. Army

U.S. Army Medical Research and Materiel Command (USAMRMC), Fort Detrick, MD

Major General Martinez-Lopez, Commanding General

Served as a key leader on the executive team overseeing USAMRMC strategic planning, programming and budgeting. Directed Army and DOD military medical research and development, exceeding \$240M in science and technology programs for military infectious diseases, military operational medicine, combat casualty care, and medical chemical and biological defense.

Post 9/11, position scope changed drastically to encompass urgent, unplanned, un-scoped activities such as support to Army strategic counterterrorism planning, international support to the Office of the Secretary of Defense for Technology Security Policy and Counter proliferation, and to the Assistant Secretary for Nuclear, Chemical and Biological Defense to establish new programs in support of Homeland Security. Led and guided initial planning for what subsequently became the National Biodefense Analysis and Countermeasures Center (NBACC) at Fort Detrick.

Accomplishments:

- Oversaw core USAMRMC medical R&D programs (military infectious diseases, combat casualty care, operational medicine, and chemical/biological defense) while assuming increased responsibilities for exigencies and developing new counterterrorism and Homeland Security initiatives.
- Improved joint service integration while serving as Command's lead in joint medical R&D arena and established increased cooperation and joint program management; and leveraged opportunities with Defense Advanced Research Program Agency (DARPA) and the other services' medical R&D programs.
- Defined and established the first Medical Technology Readiness Levels for full range of military medical products – biologics, pharmaceuticals, diagnostics, devices, and information systems – improving the executive milestone decision authority process for transitioning S&T products into formal acquisition programs.
- Provided vision and driving force to establish the Fort Detrick Interagency (DOD, HHS, DHS, and USDA) Biodefense Campus.
- Launched concept for design and in-depth planning to initiate construction of a modern and secure maximum biocontainment laboratory for the National Biodefense Analysis and Countermeasures Center (NBACC).

Student and Class President,

July 2000 to July 2001

Colonel, U.S. Army

Industrial College of the Armed Forces, Fort McNair, Washington DC

Supervisor: Philip C. Kasky, Dean of Students, Industrial College of the Armed Forces

The Industrial College of the Armed Forces (ICAF) is the premier joint senior service college that integrates national security to resourcing the national strategy. ICAF prepares highly selected military officers and civilians from across the interagency for senior leadership and staff positions by conducting postgraduate, executive-level courses of study and associated research dealing with national security strategy and the resource component of national power, with special emphasis on acquisition and joint logistics. The program is designed to produce military and civilian executive decision makers for positions of high trust and responsibility in the Federal Government.

Accomplishments:

- Awarded as a Distinguished Graduate, graduated in top 10%; led Biotechnology Industry Study Group.

Commander

February 1998 – July 2000

Colonel, U.S. Army

U.S. Army Medical Research Institute of Infectious Diseases (USAMRIID), Fort Detrick, MD

Supervisor: Major General John Parker

As the Commander, led and managed this unique national asset, the DOD's only maximum containment biosafety Level 4 laboratory, and a complex medical research program that included the technical base research, discovery, and development of vaccines, diagnostics, and drugs for medical biodefense and military infectious disease research programs. Led a diverse and well-trained, multidisciplinary workforce of ~550 people and executed a budget that had grown to \$50 million in last year of Command; and secured a \$225 million plus up over the next 5 years.

Directed and provided technical leadership in the development of medical defense strategies. Implemented a comprehensive training program on the medical management of biological casualties that trained over 25,000 health care professionals domestically and internationally in 1998 and 1999. Responsible for decisions on research investment strategies, maintaining unique capabilities, identifying deficiencies, and monitoring progress toward meeting Army, Joint Service, and National objectives.

As the Commander, Represented the Army and DOD on national and international committees and panels, collaborating on solutions to medical biological defense issues and countermeasures to highly infectious diseases. Directed efforts at the laboratory to further enhance the strategic research planning process to improve mission accomplishment, fiscal accountability, and scientific quality of the research programs, as well as professional satisfaction and quality of life for my personnel. Supported the Army and the DOD, as well as the National Security Council, State Department and U.S. Government Interagency Working Groups in combating biological warfare (BW) proliferation, bioterrorism, and emerging infectious diseases globally.

Awarded 2000 Army Laboratory Excellence Award by the Department of the Army

Research Area Director

August 1996 – February 1998

Colonel, U.S. Army

Medical Chemical and Biological Defense, USAMRMC, Fort Detrick, MD

Supervisor: Brigadier General Russ Zatchuk

Modernized program management portfolios from threat-based to capability and countermeasure-based; enhanced ability to meet milestones for medical chemical and biological biodefense programs.

Established and directed the Biological Arms Control Treaty Office, focusing technical support to Army, the Joint Staff, and DOD for international negotiations, establishing reference laboratory capabilities for assessing biological threat agents and ensuring Army-wide compliance with the 1972 Biological Warfare and Toxins Weapons Convention.

Deputy Commander

August 1995 – August 1996

Colonel, U.S. Army

U.S. Army Medical Research Institute of Infectious Diseases (USAMRIID), Fort Detrick, MD

Supervisor: Colonel David Franz

Significantly enhanced organization's program and contributions to DoD readiness by moving the Institute from basic science orientation toward a product development focus with direct support to operational forces, including special operations and other deployed forces.

EDUCATION

B.S.	Texas A&M University	1976
D.V.M.	Texas A&M College of Veterinary Medicine	1977
Ph.D.	Baylor College of Medicine, Houston Texas	1990
M.S.	Industrial College of the Armed Forces	2001

PUBLICATIONS: Testified before Congress on numerous occasions; authored and collaborated on published articles on a variety of topics, including bio-terrorism and radiological preparedness, bio-defense and infectious disease preparedness, anthrax vaccines, as well as publishing original research results. Copies are available upon request.

Agenda Item No. 16

AGENDA ITEM BRIEFING

Submitted by: John Sharp, Chancellor
The Texas A&M University System

Subject: Appointment of Vice Chancellor for Federal and State Relations, The Texas A&M University System

Proposed Board Action:

Appoint Mr. Tommy Williams as Vice Chancellor for Federal and State Relations of The Texas A&M University System (A&M System), effective December 2, 2013.

Background Information:

System Policy *01.03, Appointing Power and Terms and Conditions of Employment*, states that the Board of Regents shall appoint vice chancellors.

This agenda item seeks the appointment of Mr. Williams as Vice Chancellor for Federal and State Relations of the A&M System, effective December 2, 2013.

A copy of Mr. Williams' bio is attached.

A&M System Funding or Other Financial Implications:

An initial salary of \$300,000 is recommended.

Agenda Item No. 16

THE TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY SYSTEM

Office of the Chancellor

October 23, 2013

Members, Board of Regents
The Texas A&M University System

Subject: Appointment of Vice Chancellor for Federal and State Relations, The Texas A&M University System

I recommend adoption of the following minute order:

“Mr. Tommy Williams is hereby appointed Vice Chancellor for Federal and State Relations, The Texas A&M University System, effective December 2, 2013, at an initial salary of \$300,000.”

Respectfully submitted,

EXECUTIVE SESSION

John Sharp
Chancellor

Approval Recommended:

Approved for Legal Sufficiency:

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Billy Hamilton
Executive Vice Chancellor and
Chief Financial Officer

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Ray Bonilla
General Counsel

Biographical Information

Senator Tommy Williams brings a strong record of business achievements, community involvement and public service to the people of Southeast Texas. Williams served in the Texas House of Representatives for three terms, and in November 2002 Texans showed their confidence once again by electing him to the Texas Senate, and re-electing him to the Texas Senate in 2004, 2008 and most recently in 2012. He is a Texas Society of CPA member, an outspoken advocate for Texas taxpayers, and a recognized and respected leader in budgetary issues.

Williams is a life-long Texan. He was born in Marshall, Texas and attended schools in the Marshall Independent School District. After graduating from Texas A & M with a BBA in Accounting, he began a career in industry and public accounting prior to entering the insurance and financial services field in 1983. He now serves as President of Woodforest Financial Services, an affiliate of Woodforest National Bank.

As a Texas Senator, Williams currently serves as Chairman of the Senate Finance Committee, and as a member on the State Affairs Committee, Administration Committee, and Open Government Committee. Previously, Williams served as Chairman of the Senate's Transportation and Homeland Security Committee and the Senate's Administration Committee. As Chair of the Senate Finance Committee, Williams serves as a member of the Legislative Audit Committee and the Legislative Budget Board. His legislative leadership and strong conservative voting record have been recognized and honored by many state and community groups and organizations throughout his tenure in the Texas House and Texas Senate.

Thomas “Tommy” D. Williams

Professional Experience

January 2000 to Present- President, Woodforest Financial Services, Inc.

Operational and start-up responsibility for Woodforest Financial Services, Inc.(WFS), an affiliate of Woodforest National Bank, a Houston-area based community bank. WFS provides employee and executive benefits to companies including retirement plans and group benefits. WFS also provides financial services and products to individuals and families. Securities are offered through Raymond James Financial Services-Financial Institutions Division (RJFS-FID). WFS has received national recognition including:

- 2014 Director’s Council Raymond James Financial Services, Inc.-Financial Institutions Division-10th of 176 in 2013 Production, 7th of 176 in Total Assets Under Management
- 2013 Leader’s Council Raymond James Financial Services, Inc.-Financial Institutions Division-11th of 183 in 2012 Production, 7th of 183 in Total Assets Under Management
- 2012 Director’s Council Raymond James Financial Services, Inc.-Financial Institutions Division-8th of 181 in 2011 Production, 6th of 181 in Total Assets Under Management
- 2011 Director’s Council Raymond James Financial Services, Inc.-Financial Institutions Division-9th of 193 in 2010 Production, 7th of 193 in Total Assets Under Management
- 2010 Top Ten Investment Program Manager, *Bank Investment Consultant Magazine*
- 2010 Director’s Council Raymond James Financial Services, Inc.-Financial Institutions Division-7th of 196 in 2009 Production, 7th of 196 in Total Assets Under Management
- 2009 Top Ten Investment Program Manager, *Bank Investment Consultant Magazine*
- 2009 Director’s Council Raymond James Financial Services, Inc.-Financial Institutions Division- 8th of 192 in 2008 Production, 7th of 192 in Total Assets Under Management
- 2008 Top Ten Investment Program Manager, *Bank Investment Consultant Magazine*
- 2008 Leaders Council Raymond James Financial Services, Inc.-Financial Institutions Division- 5th of 202 in 2007 Production, 5th of 202 in Total Assets Under Management
- 2007 Leaders Council Raymond James Financial Services, Inc.- Financial Institutions Division- 4th of 197 in 2006 Production, 4th of 197 in Total Assets Under Management
- 2003-2006 Leaders Council Raymond James Financial Services, Inc.-Financial Institutions Division- Top 10% in Production & Total Assets under Management

Since inception WFS has consistently ranked among the top offices in the country for RJFS-FID. RJFS-FID was created in 1987 to provide banks and credit unions with brokerage services as an alternative to traditional third party investment providers and platform programs. RJFS-FID/WFS provides true, full service securities brokerage competitive with national securities firms. Through RJFS-FID Woodforest has the capability to deliver investment banking, research, brokerage services, portfolio management and wealth management services.

WFS also operates a successful Life & Health insurance agency focusing on group benefits, estate planning and life insurance for individuals and businesses.

August 1983 to January 2000-Professional Practice

Provided investment and insurance products and services to individuals, professional firms and companies. Practice was sold to Woodforest Bancshares in January 2000 creating Woodforest Financial Services, Inc.

1982 to 1983-Audit Senior, Peat, Marwick, Mitchell & Co (now KPMG)

Audit Senior, Oil & Gas Audit Team: Performed and supervised financial audits for various public and closely held clients in oil & gas industry. Audit assignments included on-shore drilling contractors, crude and refined products trading companies, exploration and production joint venture operations, Texas based refinery and start-up service company in mainland China.

1980 to 1981-Special Projects Accountant, Diamond M Offshore Drilling (now Diamond Offshore)

Diamond M was a wholly owned subsidiary of Kaneb Services during my employment. Established accounting procedures for joint venture operation in western Africa and Chile. Developed and prepared management reports for turnkey drilling operation in the Straits of Magellan and Seychelles. Assisted with capital project accounting during the construction and commissioning of several joint-venture semi-submersible and jack-up offshore rigs. Prepared financial data for monthly management reports.

1978-1979-Corporate Accountant, Kaneb Services, Inc.

Responsibilities included preparation of financial data for monthly management reports and consolidated financial statements, quarterly reports to shareholders, financial data related to shelf registrations with the Securities Exchange Commission and parent company accounting. Kaneb Services, Inc. was a Houston based NYSE diversified energy and financial services holding company.

Education & Professional Designations

Bachelor of Business Administration-Accounting
College of Business-Texas A&M University
May 6, 1978

Certified Public Accountant-Texas
November 21, 1981

General Securities Principal 1999-Present
Registered Representative 1986-Present
Financial Industry Regulatory Authority

Legislative Experience

January 2003-Present- Texas State Senator, District 4

Elected in 2002 sworn into office January 2003. Represent over 750,000 constituents in six counties in Southeast Texas.

During my time in office I have had the opportunity to serve the rural, suburban and urban constituents of Montgomery, Harris, Chambers, Liberty, Jefferson and Orange counties through three significant natural disasters. Hurricane Katrina hit New Orleans directly and led to the largest mass migration in American history since the Dust Bowl. Residents of New Orleans evacuated to Texas-first stop was in Senate District 4. Soon after this disaster the area took a direct hit from Hurricane Rita. Three years later the area took another direct hit from an even larger storm, Hurricane Ike. In both storms there was significant damage to public infrastructure, tens of thousands of homes without electric power, water or other essential services. Our office played a significant role in all three disasters coordinating with state, local and federal officials. My interaction was with the (U.S.) Secretary of Homeland Security, the Director-(Texas Governor's) Division of Emergency Management, utility executives and local county and city elected officials. These three disasters have given me the opportunity to develop real crisis management skills and an opportunity to learn how to deal with decision makers under the most stressful circumstances short of combat.

2013, Fourth Term in Texas Senate

- Chair, Senate Finance Committee (2013)
- Chair, Senate Select Committee on Transportation Funding (2013)
- Senate Administration Committee (2013)
- Senate Open Government Committee (2013)
- Senate Select Committee on Redistricting (2013)
- Senate State Affairs Committee (2013)
- Legislative Audit Committee (2013)
- Legislative Budget Board (2013)

The 83rd Regular and three Special Called sessions were focused on the state's infrastructure needs, water and highways, and the restoration of cuts made in the 2011 session. I was appointed Chair of the Senate Finance Committee prior to the regular session and led the budget negotiations for the Senate. I was the primary author or sponsor of 63 bills sent to the Governor and SJR 1, the constitutional amendment authorizing the transfer of \$2 billion from the ESF (rainy day fund) to the SWIFT (State Water Implementation Fund for Texas). In addition, I served on 23 conference committees in the regular and special called sessions and chaired seven conference committees.

A copy of my legislation (sent to the Governor) is attached. Major items of note:

- SB 1 General Appropriations Bill
- SJR 1 Proposing a constitutional amendment providing for the creation of the State Water Implementation Fund for Texas and the State Water Implementation Revenue Fund for Texas to assist in the financing of priority projects in the state water plan
- SB 21 Relating to drug screening or testing as a condition for the receipt of unemployment compensation benefits by certain individuals

2009-2013, Third Term in Texas Senate

- Chair, Senate Transportation and Homeland Security Committee (2011)
- Chair, Senate Administration Committee (2009)
- Chair, Senate Finance Sub-committee on Business & Economic Development and Natural Resources (2011)
- Senate Finance Sub-committee on Fiscal Matters (2011)
- Senate Finance Sub-committee on Medicaid (2011)
- Senate Select Committee on Redistricting (2011)
- Senate Finance Committee (2009 & 2011)
- Senate Education Committee (2009)
- Senate State Affairs Committee (2011)
- Senate International Relations & Trade Committee (2009 & 2011)
- Legislative Audit Committee (2009 & 2011)
- State Preservation Board (2009)
- Budget Conferee (2009 & 2011)

The 82nd Regular and Special Called Session of the Legislature were dominated by fiscal matters as the state faced a significant revenue shortfall in the current and upcoming biennium due to the poor general economic conditions existing throughout the United States. I was primary author or sponsor for 56 bills sent to the Governor's desk by the end of the regular session. For the third consecutive session I was asked to serve as member of the budget conference committee. In addition I served on 21 other conference committees during the regular session and three conference committees during the special called session.

In July, 2010 I was appointed Chair of the Senate Committee on Transportation and Homeland Security. The state was facing multiple issues dealt with by this Committee. The revenue shortfall and the structural problems with transportation funding left the Legislature with the prospect of projects already under construction being cancelled unless additional funding was provided. The escalating violence along the Texas Mexico border created a significant security risk for the entire state of Texas.

To address these problems I used my position on the Senate Finance Committee to:

- obtain funding for the debt service on \$4.0 billion of unissued General Obligation Bonds approved for highway construction resulting in an increase in project highway lettings during the biennium of \$100 million to \$8.2 billion,
- double the amount of funding for border and homeland security to approximately \$220 million and,
- increase funding \$67 million for technology improvements, training, new personnel and facilities for drivers license offices throughout the state.

As a member of the Senate Finance Committee I served on three key Sub-committees, served as Chair of the Sub-committee on Business & Economic Development and Natural Resources, wrote the budget for the Texas Department of Public Safety, The Texas Department of Transportation and the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality. I obtained additional funding for Homeland Security measures and served on the Conference Committee for the budget during the Regular Session.

During the Special Called Session I served on the conference committee for the Fiscal Matters bill (SB 1), the Appropriations bill (SB 2) and the Texas Windstorm Insurance Association (TWIA) reform bill (HB 3). The Fiscal Matters bill and the Appropriation bill both contained major reforms to the public school finance system in Texas and I played a key role in shaping both pieces of legislation. HB 3, the TWIA bill, contained major dispute resolution reforms for policyholders in the state-run insurer of last resort for coastal residents. The issue was designated an emergency item by the Governor and did not pass during the regular session. My role was chiefly making sure the concerns of coastal residents were adequately addressed and developing support of coastal senators and representatives.

A complete list of legislation sent to the Governor is attached. Major items of note are:

- SB 20 related to the Texas Clean Transportation Triangle (TCTT) supporting the development of more than 60 new natural gas refueling stations in the TCTT to reduce emissions and advance energy independence.
- SB 385 related to the creation of programs to support the use of alternative fuels and a grant program for certain natural gas vehicles.
- SB 158 related to the fraudulent or unlawful obtaining, delivering, dispensing, distributing, or diverting of a controlled substance; providing penalties.

The 2009 Regular (81st) Legislative Session was my most productive ever as an elected official. At the end of the 140 day Regular Session I had 57 bills on the Governor's desk. This ranked me 10th of 181 members of the Legislature. In addition I served on 51 conference committees including the conference committee on the budget.

As a member of the Senate Finance Committee I was involved primarily in drafting the Health & Human Services portion of the budget often referred to as Article II. Article II represents 33% of the \$180 billion (biennial) state budget. My primary responsibility as a conferee was to negotiate and reconcile the differences between the House and Senate versions of Article II. In addition, I authored major property tax reform legislation as a result of an interim sub-Committee I chaired.

I was appointed Chair of the Senate Administration Committee at the beginning of the 81st Regular session. My duties included review, revision and approval of committee budgets for the 21 Senate committees. Payroll, purchasing and responsibility for 600+ central staff employees, the printing enrolling and engrossing of all legislation and coordination between the Secretary of the Senate, Parliamentarian and Lt. Governor's office and communications with the House of Representatives were responsibilities of the Senate Administration Committee. In addition the Senate Administration Committee had primary responsibility for reviewing and certifying the Senate Local and Uncontested Calendar. This involved the review of over 1600 individual pieces of legislation and recommending each one for floor debate or the Local and Uncontested Calendar. Approximately two thirds of all legislation sent to the Governor (from both chambers) was reviewed by the Senate Administration Committee. I drafted and carried the Senate Rules adopted for the 81st Regular Session in my role as Chair of Administration.

A copy of my legislation (sent to the Governor) is attached. Major items of note:

- SB 769 related to the recovery of system restoration costs for electric utilities after a natural disaster. This was the first bill signed into law by the Governor during the 81st session. This legislation saved my constituents over \$322 million dollars by reducing the financing cost of storm recovery expenditures.
- Property tax reform and Appraisal Reform SB771, HB 8, HB 1357, HB 1309, HB 2914, HB 3611, HB3612, HB3613 & HJR36. "Single largest improvement in the Texas property tax system in nearly thirty years," according to the Texas Taxpayers & Research Association.
- SB 911 related to the regulation and certification of pain management clinics. SB 2048 Relating to the establishment of a centralized sex offender registration authority in certain counties

2005 to 2009, Second Term in Texas Senate

- Vice Chair, Senate State Affairs Committee (2005 & 2007)
- Senate Finance Committee (2005 & 2007)
- Senate Education Committee (2005 & 2007)
- Subcommittee on Higher Education (2005 & 2007)
- Senate Transportation and Homeland Security Committee (2007)
- Senate Criminal Justice Committee (2005)
- Legislative Audit Committee (2005 & 2007)
- Budget Conferee (2007)

The 2007 (80th) Regular Session of the Legislature marked the passage of two significant pieces of legislation I worked on since 1999. Passage of SB 1012 and HB 4109 marked the first time since enactment of the Texas Municipal Code a community in the ETJ of a home rule city was allowed to avoid annexation and determine their own form of governance. SB 244 allows for the temporary sealing of search warrant affidavits under certain circumstances, a measure supported by law enforcement and opposed by the print media since the initial introduction in 1999. It was a very productive session with 64 bills sent to the Governor and the following major legislation in addition to those already mentioned (a complete list is attached):

- HB 735 related to the repeal of the Telecommunications Infrastructure tax
- SB 792 related to local control of certain transportation projects, comprehensive development agreements and the issuance of bonds
- SB 1879 related to the regulation of controlled substances
- SB 2033, SJR 57 & SJR 65 related to the issuance of General Obligation Bonds

My work on the Budget Conference committee was to negotiate and reconcile the differences in the House and Senate versions of the budget in General Government, the Judiciary and the Regulatory agencies.

The 2005 (79th) Regular Session and the three called Special Sessions were dominated by school finance and tax issues. It was my privilege to serve on a joint select committee appointed to develop a solution to the state's school finance system and the related tax reform. I developed the plan for the most significant employee pay raise in over ten years as one of my major assignments on the Senate Finance Committee. I played a pivotal role in debate on franchise tax issues, apportionment, dedication of new revenues to lowering school property taxes and property tax reform. At the end of the 140 day regular session I had 52 bills sent to the Governor plus three bills in the third called special session (a complete list is attached). Particularly noteworthy are:

- HB 2 (79th third called) related to the dedication of certain new tax revenues for property tax relief
- SB 18 related to the adoption of ad valorem tax rates (Truth in Taxation)
- SB 1351 relating to an appeal to arbitration of certain ad valorem tax valuations
- SB 1485 relating to providing an exception from disclosure of a person's SSN in certain public documents

2003 to 2005, First Term in Texas Senate

- Senate Finance Committee
- Senate Business & Commerce Committee
- Senate Criminal Justice Committee
- Senate Education Committee
- Legislative Audit Committee

My first session as a Texas State Senator was dominated by the unexpected \$10 billion budget shortfall announced by the Comptroller shortly before the session began. I spent most of the session learning the budget process and working to find cost savings in the areas assigned to me which were General Government, the Judiciary and the Regulatory agencies. I was also assigned to a workgroup (sub-committee) to develop the public education budget. I sent 39 bills to the Governor's desk (a complete list is attached) noteworthy bills include:

- SB 541 related to establishing "Consumer Choice" health insurance plans
- SB 837 related to the offense of aggravated sexual assault against an elderly or disabled person
- HB 15 related to the regulation of abortions, creating an offense

2001 to 2003, Third Term in Texas House of Representatives

- Energy Resources Committee
- Pensions & Investments Committee

My last session in the Texas House I sent ten bills to the Governor's desk (a complete list is attached) noteworthy bills include:

- HB 1209 related to the uncorroborated testimony of victims of certain sexual offenses-landmark legislation dealing with the admission of testimony of victims of sexual abuse who were dependant on the abuser for care

1999 to 2001, Second Term in Texas House of Representatives

- Energy Resources Committee
- Pensions & Investments Committee

My second session in the Texas House I sent ten bills to the Governor's desk (a complete list is attached) noteworthy bills include:

- SB 1154/HB 2761 related to the establishment of Regional Development Agreements which allowed The Woodlands and Houston to enter into a moratorium on annexation in order to study alternative forms of local governance

1997 to 1999, First Term in Texas House of Representatives

- Pensions & Investments Committee
- Juvenile Justice & Family Issues Committee
- Rules & Resolutions Committee

My first term in the Texas House I sent five bills to the Governor's desk (a complete list is attached) noteworthy bills include:

- HB 2526 related to the duties of an attorney *ad litem* in a suit affecting the parent-child relationship

Agenda Item No. 15

AGENDA ITEM BRIEFING

Submitted by: John Sharp, Chancellor
The Texas A&M University System

Subject: Appointment of Vice Chancellor for Strategic Initiatives, The Texas A&M University System

Proposed Board Action:

Appoint Dr. Guy Diedrich as Vice Chancellor for Strategic Initiatives of The Texas A&M University System, effective November 1, 2013.

Background Information:

The Board of Regents appointed Guy Diedrich to the position of Vice Chancellor for Federal and State Relations on November 3, 2011. Chancellor Sharp recently announced the reassignment and appointment of Dr. Diedrich as acting Vice Chancellor for Strategic Initiatives of The Texas A&M University System, effective October 1, 2013.

This agenda item seeks to appoint Guy Diedrich as Vice Chancellor for Strategic Initiatives of The Texas A&M University System, effective November 1, 2013. System Policy *01.03, Appointing Power and Terms and Conditions of Employment*, states that the Board of Regents shall appoint vice chancellors.

A copy of Dr. Diedrich's bio is attached.

A&M System Funding or Other Financial Implications:

Dr. Diedrich's salary as Vice Chancellor for Federal and State Relations was \$300,000, and his initial salary as Vice Chancellor for Strategic Initiatives shall be \$325,000.

Guy K. Diedrich, Ph. D.
Acting Vice Chancellor for Strategic Initiatives
The Texas A&M University System

Dr. Guy Diedrich, effective October 1, 2013, serves as the Acting Vice Chancellor for Strategic Initiatives. In this role, Dr. Diedrich is responsible for pursuing and effecting local, national and international projects that promote the A&M System's values and reputation of excellence across multiple disciplines including global conflict, infectious disease, cyber security and application of research.

Prior to October 1, 2013, Dr. Diedrich served as the Vice Chancellor for Federal and State Relations, also overseeing Texas A&M Technology Commercialization.

Before joining the A&M System, Dr. Diedrich served as President and CEO of GRA Inc., a software development and consulting company that he co-founded and grew from a start-up to a firm employing more than 130 professionals. Dr. Diedrich holds memberships in the Royal Economic Society and Society of Business Economists, and currently serves as Chairman of the Board of Trustees at St. Michael's Catholic Academy in Austin. Dr. Diedrich holds a Bachelor of Science degree from Texas A&M University, a Masters degree from the University of Cambridge (King's College) and a Ph.D. from Swansea University where he studied the economics of trust in organizations. He is also a published author in the fields of medical psychology and cost accounting.

