

# **Stephen F. Austin State University**

## **MINUTES OF THE BOARD OF REGENTS**



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The Woodlands Waterway Marriott  
The Woodlands, Texas  
June 14 and 15, 2021  
Waterway Ballroom 6 and 7  
Meeting 345**

**Monday, June 14, 2021**

The meeting of the Board of Regents was called to order in open session at 9:00 a.m. by Chair Karen Gantt

**PRESENT:**

Board Members:       Mrs. Karen Gantt, Chair  
                              Mr. Tom Mason, Vice Chair  
                              Mrs. Jennifer Winston, Secretary  
                              Mr. David Alders  
                              Mr. Robert Flores  
                              Mrs. Brigettee Henderson  
                              Mrs. Laura Rectenwald  
                              Ms. Nancy Windham  
                              Mr. Spencer Coffey, Student Member

Regent Judy Olson was unable to attend.

General Counsel:       Mr. Damon Derrick  
Chief Audit Exec.:     Mrs. Gina Oglesbee  
President:                Dr. Scott Gordon  
Cabinet:                 Mrs. Erma Brecht  
                              Dr. Michara DeLaney-Fields  
                              Mr. Anthony Espinoza  
                              Dr. Brandon Frye  
                              Dr. Danny Gallant  
                              Mr. Graham Garner  
                              Mr. Ryan Ivey  
                              Dr. Lorenzo Smith  
                              Mrs. Jill Still  
                              Dr. Charlotte Sullivan

Other SFA staff were in attendance.

*Presentation and discussion lead by Association of Governing Board of Universities and Colleges representative, Thomas Hyatt.*

*Dr. DeLaney-Fields lead the Diversity Workshop and discussion.*

*Current status update reports were provided by cabinet members. Dr. Gallant shared the current status of the budget, followed by Mrs. Brecht providing a current update on enrollment. Dr. Frye provided the housing report and Dr. Smith shared the update on academics.*

Chair Gantt recessed the meeting at 5:32 p.m. to Tuesday, June 15, at 9:00 a.m.

## **Tuesday, June 14, 2021**

The meeting of the Board of Regents was called to order in open session at 9:04 a.m. by Chair Karen Gantt

### **PRESENT:**

Board Members:       Mrs. Karen Gantt, Chair  
                              Mr. Tom Mason, Vice Chair  
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Other SFA staff were in attendance.

*Mr. Garner led the group discussion of the overall/overarching conversation to prepare the group discussions. President Gordon lead the SFA Leadership discussion regarding the challenges the university is facing while also facilitating the group discussions concerning the university's ambitions, opportunities, and goals. The topics covered included enrollment strategies, visibility, identity, marketing, messaging, the Lumberjack Innovation Team, academic programs, program array, overall budget, construction projects, deferred maintenance, bond debt, auxiliaries and*

*housing. Dr. Smith led the discussion on a four-step consultation process to proactively and collaboratively address the challenges that the university is facing.*

Chair Gantt called the meeting into executive session at 3:20 p.m. to consider the following items:

Consideration of Individual Personnel Matters Relating to Appointment, Employment, Evaluation, Assignment, Duties, Discipline, or Dismissal of an Officer or Employee, including but not limited to the executive director for enrollment management, chief marketing communications officer, director of athletics, chief information officer, chief diversity officer, director of government relations, vice presidents and the president (Texas Government Code, Section 551.074)

The executive session ended at 5:35 p.m. and the Board of Regents meeting returned to open session.

The meeting was adjourned by Chair Gantt at 5:38 p.m.