



**MINUTES OF THE  
TEXAS SOUTHERN UNIVERSITY BOARD OF REGENTS  
VIRTUAL SPECIAL CALLED BOARD MEETING  
Wednesday, November 5, 2025**

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**I. Call to Order**

The Board of Regents of Texas Southern University held a Special Called Board meeting on Wednesday, November 5, 2025. Chairman James M. Benham called the meeting to order at 12:04 P.M. The meeting convened at Texas Southern University, Library Learning Center, 3100 Cleburne Street, Houston, Texas 77004.

**II. Roll Call**

The following Board Members were in attendance and constituted a quorum:

Mr. James M. Benham, Chairman  
Mr. Lauren A. Gore, Vice Chair, *virtual*  
Dr. Richard A. Johnson, Second Vice Chair, *virtual*  
Ms. Marilyn A. Rose, Secretary  
Ms. Caroline Baker Hurley, *virtual*  
Mr. Benjamin H. Proler  
Ms. Alithea Z. Sullivan, *virtual*  
Mr. Kohl E. Crawford, Student Regent, *nonvoting*

The following Board Members were absent:

Mr. Benjamin C. Kohlmann

**Other Attendees:** President James W. Crawford III, Charlie Coleman, Terence Fontaine, Carl Goodman, Lisa McBride, Taylar Hall, John Pittman (*virtual*), Faith Ruiz

**III. Conflict of Interest Statement**

Chairman Benham addressed the matter of Conflict of Interest with the Board members, inquiring if any member had a conflict of interest to disclose regarding the items on today's agenda. Observing no such disclosures, he proceeded with the agenda.

**IV. Board Business**

Chairman Benham presented the following item:

- Item A: Request Approval for Board of Regents' Committee Assignments  
*[Motion to approve by Chairman Benham, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Regent Proler, Motion passes unanimously.]*

Following approval of the minutes, Chairman Benham proceeded to the Board committee business agendas. Without objection from any Regent, the Chairman took several business items out of order from the printed agenda as noted by the asterisks below.

**V. Development and Legislative Affairs\***

Mr. Charlie Coleman, Associate Vice President of Development & Alumni Engagement, presented the following item for approval:



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- Item A: Request Approval to Amend the Contract with CCS Fundraising

Mr. Coleman requested approval to amend the existing contract with CCS Fundraising to provide consultant services in support of the University's Centennial Campaign. The Administration explained that the requested amendment will extend the vendor's current engagement with the University to the next phase of the campaign execution of strategic initiatives, enhanced donor engagement, and the development of targeted messaging that celebrates TSU's 100-year legacy of excellence and impact.

*[Motion to approve by Regent Johnson, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Chairman Benham, Motion passes unanimously.]*

**VI. Administration and Finance\***

Mr. John Pittman, Interim Chief Financial Officer, presented the following information item :

- Item A: Request Approval to Amend the Fiscal Year 2026 Operating Budget

Mr. Pittman presented an amendment to the fiscal year 2026 operating budget that accounts for an increase due to the revenue the university has received for the sale of the current planes.

*[Motion to approve by Chairman Benham, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Regent Baker Hurley, Motion passes unanimously.]*

**VII. Academic Affairs, Research and Student Life Committee\***

Dr. Carl Goodman and Dr. Terence Fontaine presented the following item for approval:

- Item A: Request Approval to Negotiate and Execute the Acquisition of Twin-Engine Training Aircraft and Flight Simulators.

*[Motion to approve by Regent Rose, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Regent Proler, Motion passes unanimously.]*

Dr. Carl Goodman presented the following item for approval:

- Item B: Request Approval to Establish a Memorandum of Understanding with South Texas College of Pharmacy Satellite Campus.

*[Motion to approve by Regent Rose, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Regent Proler, Motion passes unanimously.]*

**VIII. Executive Session**

The Board entered Executive Session for a discussion on specific matters as outlined in the Executive Session portion of the agenda for this meeting in accordance with the Texas Government Code, Sections 551.071 through 551.074 at 12:23 P.M.

**IX. Reconvene in Open Session to Consider Actions on Executive Session Items as Necessary**



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The meeting was called back to order at 1:35 P.M.

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Mr. Lauren A. Gore, Vice Chair, *virtual*  
Ms. Marilyn A. Rose, Secretary  
Ms. Caroline Baker Hurley, *virtual*  
Mr. Benjamin H. Proler  
Mr. Kohl E. Crawford, Student Regent, *nonvoting*

The following Board Members were absent:

Dr. Richard A. Johnson  
Mr. Benjamin C. Kohlmann  
Ms. Alithea Z. Sullivan

**X. Administration and Finance**

The board returned to the Administration and Finance business agenda to consider the following item:

- Item B: Request for Approval to Extend the Contract to the Higher Education Compliance Partners.  
[*Motion to postpone to the next meeting of the Board by Chairman Benham, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Regent Proler, Motion passes unanimously.*]

**XI. Adjourn**

With no further business pending before the Board, a motion to adjourn was made by Chairman Benham at 1:36 P.M., 2<sup>nd</sup> by Regent Rose; Motion passed.

All supporting materials for informational and action items presented during this meeting are available on the public posting and at the following [link](#).

**SIGNATURE OF APPROVAL**

I certify that the foregoing minutes constitute a true, correct, and complete record of the Special Called Board meeting of the Board of Regents of Texas Southern University held in Houston, Texas on November 5, 2025.

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Faith Ruiz  
Executive Director  
Board Relations Office



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February 19, 2026

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Date Approved by the Board

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Marilyn A. Rose  
Secretary  
Board of Regents

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