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JOINT OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE ON HIGHER EDUCATION GOVERNANCE, EXCELLENCE, AND TRANSPARENCY

Hearing Agenda

Monday, October 17, 2011, 10 a.m. Capitol Extension, E1.030

- I. Call to Order
- II. Roll Call
- **III.** Committee Business
 - A. Approval of Minutes
 - B. Review of Charge
 - 1. Charge:
 - a. Examine the governing structure and organization of the state's universities, health-related institutions of higher education, and university systems;
 - b. the manner in which the governing boards and administrators of those institutions develop and implement major policy decisions, including the impartiality and adequacy of their processes;
 - c. measures to identify and encourage those governing boards and administrators to follow best practices in policy development and implementation; and

d. any other matter relating to excellence, transparency, accountability, or efficiency in the governance or administration of the state's universities, health-related institutions of higher education and university systems.

2. Hearing Schedule

IV. Testimony

A. Invited Testimony:

- 1. Panel 1: Examine measures to identify and encourage those governing boards and administrators to follow best practices in policy development and implementation.
 - a. Don Evans, Former Chair, The University of Texas System Board of Regents
 - b. John Mobley, Former Regent, Texas A&M University System Board of Regents
- 2. Panel 2: Examine the manner in which the governing boards and administrators of those institutions develop and implement major policy decisions, including the impartiality and adequacy of their processes.
 - a. Nelda Luce Blair, Chair, University of Houston System Board of Regents
 - b. Jack A. Wall, Chair, University of North Texas System Board of Regents
 - c. Jerry Turner, Chair, Texas Tech University System Board of Regents

- d. Charlie Amato, Chair, Texas State University System Board of Regents
- 3. Panel 3: Examine the manner in which the governing boards and administrators of those institutions develop and implement major policy decisions, including the impartiality and adequacy of their processes.
 - a. Wm. Eugene Powell, Chair, The University of Texas System Board of Regents
 - b. Richard A. Box, DDS, Chair, Texas A&M University System Board of Regents

B. Public Testimony

V. Recess

* Public testimony will be limited to five minutes.