

1. **TTUS: Approve appointment of a Chancellor and Chief Executive Officer of the Texas Tech University System.**

Presenter: Vice Chairman Chris Huckabee

Presentation Time: 2 minutes

Board approval required by: Sections 01.02.1.c and 02.01.1, *Regents' Rules*; and Section 109.004, *Texas Education Code*

RECOMMENDATION

The Board of Regents (the “Board”) of the Texas Tech University System (the “TTU System”) has followed the procedures set forth in the *Regents' Rules* and state law in selecting a chancellor of the TTU System to fill a vacancy in that position.

On October 4, 2018, the Board publicly announced Dr. Tedd L. Mitchell as the sole finalist for the position. After observing the state-mandated 21 day public notice period following that announcement, the Board may take final action to fill this position.

The proposal now is for the Board to approve the appointment of Dr. Mitchell to be chancellor and chief executive office of the TTU System, effective immediately, with Dr. Mitchell also continuing to serve as president of Texas Tech University Health Sciences Center.

BACKGROUND INFORMATION

On August 20, 2018, the Board approved the appointment of Dr. Mitchell to be the interim chancellor, effective September 1, 2018. On October 4, 2018, the Board approved and publicly announced Dr. Mitchell as the sole finalist for the position of chancellor and chief executive officer of the TTU System.

With that action on October 4, the Board entered a 21 day public notice period required by Section 552.123, *Texas Government Code*, which provides that: “... the governing body of the institution must give public notice of the name or names of the finalists being considered for the position [*of chief executive officer*] at least 21 days before the date of the meeting at which final action or vote is to be taken on the employment of the person.”

The second and final action to be taken in filling the position then is the Board’s official appointment of the named finalist to be the chancellor and chief executive officer of the TTU System. Such action by the Board must be taken pursuant to Section 109.004, *Texas Government Code* (which requires the Board to appoint a chief executive officer of the TTU System), and Sections 01.02.1.c and 02.01.1, *Regents' Rules* (which require formal action by the Board for the appointment of a chancellor).