

**AMARILLO COLLEGE BOARD OF REGENTS  
MINUTES OF SPECIAL BOARD MEETING  
March 12, 2026**

**REGENTS PRESENT:**

Mr. Jay Barrett, Chair  
Mr. John Betancourt  
Mrs. Anette Carlisle  
Ms. Michele Fortunato Vice-Chair  
Ms. Irene Hughes  
Mr. Johnny Mize  
Ms. Peggy Thomas  
Dr. David Woodburn

**REGENTS ABSENT:**

Dr. Paul Proffer

**CAMPUS REPRESENTATIVES PRESENT:**

Mr. Jeff Turner, Representative for the Moore County Campus

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Ms. Sara Pesina, Representative for the Hereford Hinkson Memorial Campus

**CABINET MEMBERS PRESENT**

Mr. Bob Austin, Vice President of Student Affairs  
Mr. Kevin Ball, Vice President of Communications and Marketing  
Dr. Jamelle Conner, President  
Ms. Denese Skinner, Vice President of Strategic Initiatives  
Dr. Frank Sobey, Vice President of Academic Affairs  
Mr. Mark White, Executive Vice President and General Counsel

**CABINET MEMBERS ABSENT**

Dr. Mychal Coleman, Vice President of Human Resources  
Mr. Joe Bill Sherrod, Vice President of Institutional Advancement

**OTHERS PRESENT:**

Mr. John Adair – Community Member  
Ms. Ash Albright - KAMR  
Ms. Jessica Arce – Administrative Assistant  
Ms. Kim Benson – Community Member  
Ms. Kim Bruce – Communications Coordinator  
Officer Daniel Chavez – Amarillo College Police  
Ms. Tiffani Crosley – Associate Vice President of Business Affairs  
Officer Christine Curry – Amarillo College Police  
Mr. Michael Ford – Community Member  
Mr. Mike Fisher – Community Member  
Ms. Genesis Garcia – Assistant Director of Accounting  
Officer Ecklo Htoo – Amarillo College Police  
Ms. Michelle Vinyard – Executive Assistant II  
Ms. Ally Greenwood – Executive Assistant & Asst. Secretary to the Board

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Dr. Chris Hudson – Faculty Senate President  
Mr. Christopher Key – Coordinator, Marketing Special Projects  
Ms. Brianna Maestas – Amarillo Tribune  
Mr. Kenneth Netardus – AC Attorney  
Ms. Sadie Newsome – Director Marketing  
Ms. Paige Stockton – News Channel 10  
Ms. Phoebe Terry – Amarillo Tribune  
Mr. Shon Wagner – Audio Visual Technical Leader - Information Technology  
Ms. Nell Williams – Amarillo Globe News

**SPECIAL BOARD MEETING**

**The Special Board Meeting was called to order at 6:30 pm by Mr. Jay Barrett, Chair of the Board of Regents. He welcomed those in attendance. A quorum was present. Mr. Barrett prayed with the Board.**

**PUBLIC COMMENTS**

There were three public comments.

**ANNUAL AUDIT**

Mr. Mize moved to approve the annual audit. Ms. Fortunato seconded. Mr. Mize discussed that the finance committee met with the auditors last week to review both the annual audit and the forensic audit. Mr. Mize believes that there will be discussion on what additional items need to be added to the scope of the audits in the future. Motion passed unanimously.

**POST- FORENSIC AUDIT ACTIONS**

This item was placed on the agenda so that the regents could deliberate actions, if any, to take as a result of the financial matters and forensic audit recently presented to the Board. No action was taken. The Board immediately moved to closed session.

**CLOSED SESSION**

At 6:47 pm there was a closed session so that the regents could consult with the college attorney to seek or receive advice on legal matters pursuant with Texas Government Code Section 551.071. President Dr. Jamelle Conner was asked to stay. Outside counsel Kenneth Netardus was in attendance. Mr. Netardus excused in-house counsel Mark White from the closed session. The closed session concluded at 10:05. The open session convened at 10:05 pm. A quorum was present.

No final decision, action or vote was taken in closed session.

**ADJOURNMENT**

**Dr. Woodburn moved to adjourn. Johnny Mize seconded. The motion passed unanimously. The meeting adjourned at 10:05 pm.**

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**Sara Pesina, Secretary**