

**1. Title**

Chairman and Vice Chairmen

**2. Rule and Regulation**

Sec. 1 Composition. Pursuant to *Texas Education Code* [Section 65.11](#) the Board of Regents is composed of nine members appointed by the Governor, with the advice and consent of the Senate, for staggered terms of six years each, the terms of three members expiring on February 1 of odd-numbered years.

Sec. 2 Election of the Chairman. The Chairman of the Board of Regents shall be elected by the Board from its number, shall serve at the pleasure of the Board, and shall report to and be responsible to the Board. In case of the death, resignation, disability, removal, or disqualification of the Chairman, the Board shall elect a successor Chairman as soon as practicable. Election of the Chairman shall take place during the February meeting held in odd-numbered years or, if new members of the Board have not been appointed and received the consent of the Senate, at the next available opportunity.

2.1 Duties and Responsibilities of the Chairman. The duties and responsibilities of the Chairman shall include the following:

- (a) The Chairman shall preside over the meetings of the Board.
- (b) The Chairman shall be authorized to call special meetings of the Board.
- (c) The Chairman shall appoint the standing committees of the Board and such special committees as the Board may authorize.
- (d) The Chairman shall appoint ad hoc committees as necessary to address special issues.
- (e) The Chairman shall be a nonvoting *ex officio* member of all standing and special committees of the Board.
- (f) The Chairman, as the Board's elected leader, serves as the day-to-day administrative leader of the Board.

Sec. 3 Vice Chairmen. Vice Chairmen of the Board of Regents shall be elected by the Board from its number when the Chairman is elected and shall serve at the pleasure of the Board. At the election, the Board shall designate which Vice Chairman shall assume the duties of Chairman in case of the absence, death, resignation, disability, removal, or disqualification of the Chairman. In case of the absence, death, resignation, disability, removal, or disqualification of the Chairman, the designated Vice Chairman shall perform the duties of the Chairman until the Chairman shall resume his or her office or a successor Chairman shall have been elected as herein provided. Upon the death, resignation, disability, or removal of a Vice Chairman, the Board shall elect a successor Vice Chairman as soon as practicable.

**3. Definitions**

None

**4. Relevant Federal and State Statutes**

*Texas Education Code* [Section 65.11](#) – Board of Regents

*Texas Education Code* [Section 65.12](#) – Qualifications and Terms

**5. Relevant System Policies, Procedures, and Forms**

*Regents' Rules and Regulations*, [Rule 10401](#) – Meetings of the Board and Standing Committees

*Regents' Rules and Regulations*, [Rule 10801](#) – Policy on Transparency, Accountability, and Access to Information

**6. Who Should Know**

Board of Regents

**7. System Administration Office(s) Responsible for Rule**

Office of the Board of Regents

**8. Dates Approved or Amended**

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**9. Contact Information**

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