

MOTION FROM OPEN SESSION  
NOVEMBER 10, 2010

I move that the U. T. System Board of Regents find that the current educational partnership between the Board of Regents on behalf of U. T. Brownsville and the Board of Trustees of the Texas Southmost College District on behalf of Texas Southmost College can no longer be sustained and that the notice of termination of the Educational Partnership Agreement be provided immediately. Under the terms of the Agreement, the termination is effective no later than August 31, 2015; however, the parties may work to achieve an earlier effective date.

I further move that the Board direct that written notice of this action be provided immediately to the Board of Trustees and that the Board ask Chancellor Cigarroa to plan for the orderly wind down of the partnership in a manner designed to provide uninterrupted continuation of the studies and academic career objectives of the partnership's students while shortening the period of transition.

This motion is premised upon the unwavering principle that the U. T. System Board of Regents is committed to the continuation of educational access and opportunity for our students and believes that, while the partnership structure has had many successes, this current partnership between U. T. Brownsville and Texas Southmost College is not the best model to achieve excellence in the future.

(re Open Session item on U. T. System Board of Regents: Discussion and appropriate action related to the Educational Partnership Agreement between U. T. Brownsville and Texas Southmost College, the terms and conditions governing the current and proposed agreements and relationships between the parties, and the rights and obligations of the parties)