From the Desk of the CHANCELLOR

November 16, 2026

Dear Horned Frogs,

The Texas Christian University Board of Trustees gathered Nov. 11-13, 2026, for committee meetings and the annual Fall Board of Trustees Meeting. Throughout the week, Trustees engaged in thoughtful discussions on key university priorities, including financial stewardship, LEAD ON: Values in Action strategic plan goals and initiatives, capital projects and other opportunities shaping TCU's future. The Board expressed its deep appreciation to TCU students, faculty and staff for their commitment to the university's 154-year mission and continued pursuit of academic excellence and student success.

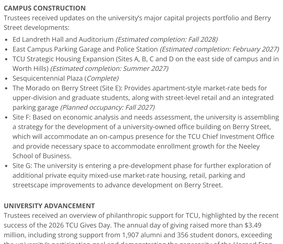
Welcome New Trustees
The TCU Board of Trustees is an exceptional group of community leaders and dedicated champions of TCU. On behalf of the Board, Chair Kit T. Moncrief welcomed nine new Trustees: Brian C. Cox '96; Vivian N. DuBose '75; Shawn P. Guttersen '90; Michael R. Jamieson '87; Scott A. Kupor; Steffen E. Palko, Sr. '09, Ed.D.; Randolph E. "Randy" Parker '88; Scott A. Richardson '01 MBA; and Ex-Officio Trustee Derek Dedeker '15, Alumni Association Representative.

LEAD ON: Values in Action
During the week's committee meetings, Trustees received updates on progress across the university and the priorities driving TCU forward. These discussions affirmed the Board's support for the goals of LEAD ON: Values in Action, its commitment to TCU's long-term strength and sustainability, and its confidence in the university's vision for the future. Continue reading the Board of Trustees Meeting Summary below for more detailed updates on these and other important topics.

The demand for a TCU education is stronger than ever. As we build on TCU's momentum, I am grateful to the entire Horned Frog community for your continued support and for all you do to make TCU the outstanding national university it is today. There is much to be proud of, and even more ahead of us. Together, we will continue to pursue excellence, embrace new opportunities and boldly shape TCU's future.

Lead On, Horned Frogs!

Victor J. Boschini, Jr.
TCU Chancellor



BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETING SUMMARY, FALL 2026

UNIVERSITY TUITION FOR THE 2027-2028 ACADEMIC YEAR
One of the Board of Trustees' most important responsibilities is its fiduciary oversight of the university, ensuring TCU has the resources necessary to fulfill its mission while safeguarding its long-term financial sustainability. As part of this responsibility, the Board approved a 3.5% tuition rate increase for the 2027-2028 academic year. Need-based aid will increase accordingly to match student and family need. In alignment with TCU's overall tuition increase, differential tuition for the Neeley School of Business and tuition for the Anne Burnett Marion School of Medicine will also increase by 3.5%.

The Board affirmed its commitment to ensuring that TCU remains accessible to all academically talented and qualified students through merit-based scholarships and financial aid. The tuition increase enables the university to maintain TCU's standard of excellence in academics and the student experience, while addressing the rising costs of operational expenses.

CAMPUS CONSTRUCTION
Trustees received updates on the university's major capital projects portfolio and Berry Street developments:

- Ed Landreth Hall and Auditorium *(Estimated completion: Fall 2028)*
- East Campus Parking Garage and Police Station *(Estimated completion: February 2027)*
- TCU Strategic Housing Expansion (Sites A, B, C and D on the east side of campus and in Worth Hills) *(Estimated completion: Summer 2027)*
- Sesquicentennial Plaza *(Complete)*
- The Morado on Berry Street (Site E): Provides apartment-style market-rate beds for upper-division and graduate students, along with street-level retail and an integrated parking garage *(Planned occupancy: Fall 2027)*
- Site F: Based on economic analysis and needs assessment, the university is assembling a strategy for the development of a university-owned office building on Berry Street, which will accommodate an on-campus presence for the TCU Chief Investment Office and provide necessary space to accommodate enrollment growth for the Neeley School of Business.
- Site G: The university is entering a pre-development phase for further exploration of additional private equity mixed-use market-rate housing, retail, parking and streetscape improvements to advance development on Berry Street.

UNIVERSITY ADVANCEMENT
Trustees received an overview of philanthropic support for TCU, highlighted by the recent success of the 2026 TCU Gives Day. The annual day of giving raised more than $1.49 million, including strong support from 1,907 alumni and 356 student donors, exceeding the university's participation goal and demonstrating the generosity of the Horned Frog community. Of the totals raised, $2.48 million was directed to academic programs and $364,000 to the TCU Scholarship Initiative, providing significant support for academic excellence and access to a TCU education. Notably, 59% of gifts were under $100, and more than $900,000 was unlocked through donor challenges as participation goals were surpassed, reflecting engagement at all levels across our community.

FALL 2026 ENROLLMENT, 12th CLASS DAY
Dr. Floyd L. Wormley Jr., Provost & Vice Chancellor for Academic Affairs, reported the following enrollment metrics for Fall 2026 based on the 12th class day, Sept. 9, 2026. The 12th class day is the census date set by the Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board, and fall 12th class day data are used for all official internal and external reporting.

- Entering Baccalaureate First-Year Students – 2,886
- Entering Baccalaureate Transfer Students – 399
- Graduate Enrollment – 1,789
- Undergraduate Enrollment – 11,452
- Total Enrollment – 13,241
- Retention of Fall 2025 First-time, Full-time students – 93.6%
- Retention of Fall 2025 Transfer students – 84.5%

LEAD ON: VALUES IN ACTION
Chancellor Boschini provided Trustees with an update on TCU's progress across key university priorities, building on strategic plan updates shared throughout the week's committee meetings. TCU continues to strengthen its national profile, moving up seven spots to No. 90 among national universities in the 2027 *U.S. News & World Report* rankings and earning recognition as a top 50 private university at No. 48. Expressing gratitude to the faculty and staff leading this work, Chancellor Boschini highlighted continued progress across the four strategic plan pillars: Student-Centered Growth; Research, Scholarship & Creative Activities; Athletics; and Community Engagement.

Trustees discussed the rapidly evolving landscape of intercollegiate athletics and the importance of positioning TCU to compete at the highest level in this new era of college sports. The Board directed the Chancellor and Administration to exercise appropriate discretion to ensure that TCU competes at the highest levels possible within the university's financial capabilities and in accordance with current and future laws.

FALL 2026 HOUSING OCCUPANCY
Dr. Kathy Cavins-Tull, Vice Chancellor for Student Affairs, reported housing occupancy for Fall 2026 to the Board. Housing occupancy is calculated at the beginning of each semester and reported with 12th class day data. The occupancy report serves as an archive and informs housing planning processes.

- The total number of students living in campus housing is 5,695.
- Residence halls are occupied at a rate of 101% of hall capacity.
- TCU utilizes master leases at nearby properties – University House, Liberty Lofts and Village East – to meet housing demands.
- Fraternity houses are occupied at a rate of 100% hall capacity as compared to 100% in Fall 2025.
- Sorority houses are occupied at a rate of 100% hall capacity as compared to 100% in Fall 2025.
- 120 new transfers were assigned to TCU housing for Fall 2026 compared to 82 for Fall 2025.

FACULTY PROMOTION & TENURE
After careful review at multiple levels within the university, in accordance with the process outlined in the Faculty Handbook, and upon the recommendation of the Provost and approval of the Chancellor, the Board approved tenure recommendations as presented for six faculty members.

ACADEMIC AFFAIRS KEY LEADERSHIP POSITIONS & SEARCHES
Provost Wormley provided the Board with an update on key leadership positions and searches in the division of Academic Affairs:

Associate Provost & Dean of Graduate Studies: TCU Human Resources is currently working with Academic Affairs to lead a national search for the next Associate Provost and Dean to lead TCU's graduate programs. This key academic leadership role will provide strategic direction for graduate education across the university, advancing program quality and growth, supporting graduate student success and strengthening TCU's research, scholarship and creative activities.

Louise Dilworth Davis Endowed Dean of the Davis College of Science & Engineering: In August 2026, Provost Wormley relaunched a search for the Louise Dilworth Davis Endowed Dean of the Davis College of Science & Engineering. Korn Ferry was selected as the search firm to lead the search. Dr. Craig Crossland, John V. Roach Dean of the Neeley School of Business, Dr. Reuben Burch, Vice Provost for Research, and Dr. Anton Naumov, Associate Professor for the Department of Physics and Astronomy, serve as committee chairs. Dean finalists had their on-campus visits at the end of October 2026, and the committee expects to conclude the search in the Fall 2026 semester.

Bob Schieffer College of Communication Dean: In August 2026, Dr. Kristie Bunton announced her retirement as the Dean of the Bob Schieffer College of Communication following 11 years of dedicated service. Dean Bunton has provided exceptional leadership, unwavering commitment and a steadfast focus on academic excellence and student success. Korn Ferry has been selected as the search firm for the next Bob Schieffer College of Communication Dean. The search committee held its kick-off meeting this fall and expects to have on-campus visits for finalists in the Spring 2027 semester.

Marilyn and Morgan Davies Endowed Dean of the Harris College of Nursing & Health Sciences: On March 24, 2026, Bernard Rousseau, Ph.D., was named the Marilyn and Morgan Davies Endowed Dean of the Harris College of Nursing & Health Sciences. Dr. Rousseau began his role on June 30, 2026. As a leader and scholar in health sciences, he brings extensive academic and administrative experience to TCU, with a focus on advancing academic excellence, research and innovation across the health professions.

Mary Couts Burnett Library Dean: On June 8, 2026, Ryan Litsey, Ph.D., was named Dean of TCU's Mary Couts Burnett Library. Dr. Litsey began his role on July 31, 2026. A recognized leader and innovator in academic libraries, research impact and digital transformation, Dr. Litsey brings more than 15 years of leadership experience at Carnegie R1 institutions, with a focus on advancing student success and faculty research.

WELCOME NEW TRUSTEES & SECRETARY OF THE BOARD
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Trustees approved a newly appointed officer to the Board, Dr. Lauren Nixon, who will serve as Secretary of the Board of Trustees effective Nov. 13, 2026. Dr. Nixon is a higher education professional who has served TCU for nearly 20 years. Her experience spans executive leadership roles, government affairs, enrollment management, student recruitment, board relations, scholarship administration and other campuswide initiatives.

INTERCOLLEGIATE ATHLETICS
Intercollegiate Athletics Director Mike Buddie highlighted the accomplishments and continued momentum of TCU's student-athletes, coaches and staff across multiple sports. Recent achievements include No. 16 volleyball improving to 18-5 overall and 9-3 in Big 12 play; No. 7 equestrian posting five straight winning seasons for the first time in program history; strong starts for both men's and women's basketball; and triathlon finishing No. 3 at the NCAA Triathlon Championships for the second consecutive season. TCU's broad-based athletics success was also reflected in its No. 33 national finish and No. 3 ranking in the Big 12 in the 2026 Learfield Directors' Cup. In addition to competing at the highest level, TCU Athletics remains focused on supporting the overall well-being and development of student-athletes, providing the academic, health and performance resources they need to thrive at TCU and beyond.

RESOLUTION IN MEMORIAM
The Board honored the life and legacy of Emeritus Trustee R. Bruce LaBoon '63, who passed away Oct. 2, 2026. A TCU Trustee from 1985 to 2000, LaBoon provided distinguished leadership across numerous Board committees, including chairing the Development Committee and Committee on Trusteeship. A respected attorney and business leader, he spent his legal career with Locke Lord and its successor firm, Troutman Pepper Locke, serving 12 years as managing partner, and held leadership roles with numerous prominent Houston business, healthcare and nonprofit organizations.

LaBoon's dedication to TCU extended well beyond his Board service. He co-chaired *The Next Frontier Campaign*, led several university fundraising efforts and received the TCU Alumni Association's Valuable Alumnus Award in 1995. Together with his wife of 63 years and fellow TCU graduate, Ramona, he established the Christian Heritage Scholarship to support future generations of Horned Frogs. The Board expressed its profound gratitude for LaBoon's servant leadership, deep Christian faith, professional excellence and lifelong devotion to TCU, and extended its condolences to Ramona and the LaBoon family.

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