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HISTORICAL STATEMENT

Prairie View A&M University, a member of the Texas A&M University System and the second oldest public institution of higher education in Texas, originated in the Texas Constitution of 1876. Having already established the Agricultural and Mechanical College of Texas (later to be named Texas A&M University) in 1871, legislators pledged in the Texas Constitution of 1876 that "separate schools shall be provided for the white and colored children, and impartial provisions shall be made for both." On August 14, 1876, the Texas Legislature authorized the "Agricultural and Mechanical College of Texas, established for colored youths" and placed responsibility for its management with the Board of Directors of the Agricultural and Mechanical College at Bryan. The Alta Vista College for Colored Youths opened at Prairie View, Texas on March 11, 1878; the school was renamed "Prairie View State Normal School" in 1879.

The Texas Legislature authorized the original curriculum in 1879 to be that of a "Normal School" for the "preparation and training of colored teachers." This curriculum was expanded to include the arts and sciences, home economics, agriculture, mechanical arts, and nursing. The Twentieth Legislature in 1887 added in "the Agriculture & Mechanical Department" to the official school name of Prairie View State Normal School. Prairie View was established as a Land Grant College in 1890 (Second Morrill Act). The four-year senior college program began in 1919.

In 1945, the name of the institution was changed from Prairie View Normal and Industrial College to Prairie View University. In 1947, the Texas Legislature changed the name to Prairie View A&M College of Texas and provided that "courses be offered in agriculture, the mechanics arts, engineering, and the natural sciences connected therewith, together with any other courses authorized at Prairie View at the time of passage of this act, all of which shall be equivalent to those offered at the Agricultural and Mechanical College of Texas at Bryan." On August 27, 1973, the name of the institution was changed to Prairie View A&M University, and its status as an independent unit of the Texas A&M University System confirmed.

In 1983, the Texas Legislature proposed a constitutional amendment to restructure the Permanent University Fund (PUF) to include Prairie View A&M University as a beneficiary of its proceeds. The 1983 amendment also dedicated the University to enhancement as an "institution of the first class" under the governing board of the Texas A&M University System. The constitutional amendment was approved by the voters on November 6, 1984. In January 1985, the Board of Regents of the Texas A&M University System responded to the 1984 Constitutional Amendment by stating its intention that Prairie View A&M University becomes "an institution nationally recognized in its areas of education and research." The Board also resolved that the University receive its share of the Available University Fund.

In March 1999, Office of Civil Rights officials indicated that they had reached a preliminary conclusion that disparities traceable to de jure segregation still existed at Prairie View A&M University. As a result, a select committee in mid-2000 agreed that the university should be enhanced. In 2001, the 77th Texas Legislature approved funding to support the state commitment to the Office of Civil Rights Priority Plan. This additional funding, the "Texas Commitment," allowed the institution to expand its program offerings and construct new buildings. The first Ph.D. student graduated in December 2004.

A BRIEF CHRONOLOGY OF PRAIRIE VIEW A&M UNIVERSITY

February 1876: Texas State Representative William H. Holland submitted an "act to establish an agricultural and manual school for colored youths of the state."

August 14, 1876: The Fifteenth Legislature authorized the creation of the "Agricultural and Mechanical College of Texas," "established for colored youths."

1877: The state took title to 1,388 acres in Waller County for the site of the college.

March 11, 1878: Alta Vista College for Colored Youth opened with eight students.

1878: L.W. Minor of Mississippi was named the first Principal (1878-1879).

April 19, 1879: The school is renamed "Prairie View State Normal School." The school is the first coeducational public institution of higher learning in the state.

1885: First diplomas granted.

1887: The Twentieth Legislature added "the Agriculture & Mechanical Department" to the official school name.

1890: The institution became a Land Grant College (Second Morrill Act, 1890).

1899: The institution is renamed Prairie View Normal and Industrial College.

1901: The institution began offering a four-year course of study.

1918: The Prairie View Training School for nurses established.

1919: Four-year senior college program began.

1921: First four-year degree offered.

1930: College of Arts and Sciences established.

1937: Division of graduate studies added.

1939: First Master's degree granted.

1945: Prairie View Normal and Industrial College is renamed Prairie View University.

1947: Prairie View University is renamed Prairie View A&M College of Texas.

1947 - 1948: Dr. E.B. Evans appointed as Principal and subsequently appointed by the Texas A&M University Board of Directors as Prairie View's first President.

1950: School of Engineering established.

1958: The institution accepted for membership in the Southern Association.

1964: First white students attended Prairie View.

1968: The Navy ROTC program established.

1972: College of Business established (degrees offered since early 1930s).

August 27, 1973: Prairie View A&M College is renamed Prairie View A&M University and is an independent unit of the Texas A&M University System.

1982: Prairie View became a party to the U.S. Dept. of Education's Office of Civil Rights lawsuit.

1983: College of Nursing relocated to Texas Medical Center complex in Houston.

November 6, 1984: A constitutional amendment restructured the state's Permanent University Fund (PUF) to include Prairie View A&M as a beneficiary of its proceeds.

1998: School of Architecture established.

1999: College of Juvenile Justice established.

2000: University College established.

2001: The University's first doctoral program (Ph.D. in Juvenile Justice) offered.

2001: Funding approved by 77th Texas Legislature to support state commitment to Office of Civil Rights (OCR) Priority Plan.

July 2002: "Land-Grant institution by federal statute" added to Mission Statement.

2003: Dr. George C. Wright named as the seventh president of Prairie View.

December 2004: First Ph.D. awarded (Juvenile Justice).

2010: Southern Association of Colleges and Schools reaffirmed the accreditation of PVAMU.

2013: College of Business launched the Executive MBA program.

2014: Dr. Felecia Nave became the new Provost and Senior Vice President for Academic Affairs

2015: Dr. George C. Wright was appointed to the NCAA Division I Board of Directors.

RECENT EVENTS
FALL 2013 - FALL 2014

November 2013: Members of the PVAMU community joined together to celebrate the library's 25th anniversary. The occasion was marked by reflections of the importance of the facility and the role it has played in the lives of thousands of PVAMU students.

November 2013: The PVAMU Department of Athletics hosted a groundbreaking ceremony to highlight the construction of the new Panther Baseball Field on Saturday, Nov. 16 at the construction site behind Blackshear Field prior to the football team's home contest versus Abilene Christian. A tailgate reception followed the ceremony.

February 2014: Prairie View A&M University has been selected as one of 15 Historically Black Colleges and Universities to participate in the Association of Public and Land-Grant Universities HBCU Innovation and Entrepreneurship Collaborative. PVAMU joined the cohort schools for the HBCU Innovation and Entrepreneurship Collaborative Symposium which was held March 19-23 in San Jose, CA.

March 2014: PVAMU officially became a part of SWAC history as the Lady Panthers captured the 2014 SWAC Tournament Championship for the fourth straight year following an emotional 63-58 win over Texas Southern at the Toyota Center. As SWAC champions, the Lady Panthers advance to NCAA Tournament play for the fourth straight year and sixth time in eight years.

April 2014: The John B. Coleman Library hosted a week of activities called "Lives Change @ Your Library. This included special displays, a campus-wide National Library Worker's Day Reception and program and free library giveaways at the circulations department. Included was a week-long informational booth.

May 2014: PVAMU is one of 13 schools that received a grant from The Home Depot's Retool You School Contest. PVAMU received a total of 7,951 votes and was ranked 26th out of 58 HBCUs competing in the contest.

September 2014: Dr. E. Joahanne Thomas-Smith was honored at "A Summer's Evening Celebration" banquet and scholarship benefit for her 18 years of dedicated service as Senior Vice President and Provost for Academic Affairs. While the event celebrated Thomas-Smith's tenure as head of academics, she will continue with the University in other important capacities by once again molding bright young minds in the classroom, as well as lending her knowledge of higher education compliance and accountability, overseeing the University's accreditation processes.

October 2014: The Penn Center for Minority Serving Intuitions (MSI) recently ranked Prairie View A&M University (PVAMU) 7th out of its top ten HBCUs with the highest Latino/Latina population. The recognition comes as PVAMU has broadened its outreach to attract and enroll greater numbers of prospective Latino/Latina students.

January 2015: Dr. George C. Wright, President of Prairie View A&M University, was appointed to the NCAA Division I Board of Directors following the conclusion of the organization's 2015 convention. Wright will serve with the prestigious group until the fall of 2019. Wright also currently serves on the Division I Presidential Advisory Group.

PURPOSE STATEMENT

The State of Texas, through amendment of the State Education Code (Section 87.104) 2001, provides the following university purpose:

Section 87.104. PURPOSE OF THE UNIVERSITY. In addition to its designation as a statewide general purpose institution of higher education and its designation as a land-grant institution, Prairie View A&M University is designated as a statewide special purpose institution of higher education for instruction, research, and public service programs dedicated to:

(1) enabling students of diverse economic, ethnic, and cultural backgrounds to realize their full potential;

(2) assisting small and medium-sized communities to achieve their optimal growth and development; and

(3) assisting small and medium-sized agricultural, business, and industrial enterprises to manage their growth and development effectively.

Added by Acts 1981, 67th Leg., p. 3040, ch. 795, § 1, eff. June 17, 1981. Amended by Acts 2001, 77th Leg., ch. 47, § 1, eff. May 3, 2001.

MISSION STATEMENT
Revised-November 2014

Prairie View A&M University is a state-assisted, public, comprehensive land grant institution of higher education. The university was designated in a 1984 amendment to the Texas Constitution as an "institution of the first class." It is dedicated to achieving excellence and relevance in teaching, research and service. It seeks to invest in program and services that address issues and challenges affecting the diverse ethnic and socioeconomic population of Texas and the larger society including the global arena. The university seeks to provide a high quality educational experience for students who, upon completion of bachelors, masters, or doctorate degrees, possess self-sufficiency and professional competences. The experience is imbued by the institution's values including, but not limited to, access and quality, accountability, diversity, leadership, relevance, and social responsibility.

PRAIRIE VIEW A&M UNIVERSITY
GOALS & IMPERATIVES

1. Strengthen the Quality of Academic Programs

   - Conduct external academic program reviews
   - Achieve specialized accreditation of selected academic programs
   - Succeed in Achievement of Licensure in Applicable Academic Program Areas
   - Eliminate non-productive academic programs
   - Increase the prominence of faculty scholarship
   - Increase the number of faculty FTE's producing research/scholarly and creative works
   - Retain regional accreditation
   - Retain accreditation held in specialized programs

2. Improve the Academic Indicators of the Student Body

   - Conduct annual reviews of admission standards/requirements
   - Increase/improve the standardized test scores of matriculates
   - Collaborate with Texas' other educational programs to increase the number and

     Success of transfer students
   - Admit and enroll an increasingly higher caliber of student
   - Increase the number of students who adhere to the University's Conduct Standards.

3. Increase Applied and Basic Research

   - Enhance the research environment and expertise of faculty and staff
   - Align university research goals with federal, state, and industry needs and goals
   - Enhance pre- and post-award services to the university research and sponsored program community
   - Increase Funded Research

4. Strengthen Environmental Health and Safety Programs on the Campus

- Implement off-site storage of critical data
- Prepare and train for business continuity

5. Achieve (and maintain) Financial Stability

- Expand the financial capacity of PVAMU
- Address potentially critical funding issues involved with the eventual loss of special OCR Priority Plan funding
- Meet or exceed expectations associated with the current Capital Campaign
- Take appropriate steps to "right-size" the annual operating budget of PVAMU
- Increase the availability of scholarship funds
- Increase the size and number of endowments for student scholarships and for academic chairs
- Increase funded research
- Stay competitive in tuition and fees/align tuition and fees to be competitive with other general academic institutions in Texas

6. Increase the Efficiency of University Operations

- Design and implement a document imaging program
- Identify additional outsourcing opportunities
- Improve the quality of support staff
- Transfer fiscal processes to online applications
- Maximize space usage

7. Promote programs that Contribute to Student Success

- Engage students in rigorous educational programs and provide an environment conductive to success
- Increase/improve the percentage of PVAMU graduates who are accepted to graduate and/or professional schools
- Increase placement rates of all PVAMU graduates

8. Strengthen University Advancement Programs including fund-raising

- Communicate the accomplishments of the University through publications to the various constituent groups.
- Enhance corporate relations through Industry Cluster publications that show the strength of corporate partnerships with the University.
- Use technology to communicate the University's accomplishments to a broader audience
- Continue to implement the fund-raising model and university advancement model developed from the planning study and refined by Ketchum's progress reviews of Extend View: The Capital Campaign for Prairie View A&M University

9. Increase and Enhance the Visibility and Awareness of the University to the Community at Large/all Stake holders

- Effectively communicate to all Stakeholders the PVAMU Vision/2020
- Expand its service to the community by promoting Service Learning, Distance Education, Continuing Education, K-16 programs, Small Business and Entrepreneurial initiatives.
- Cooperative Extension, and Health Care by engaging its people and resources in a renewed commitment to outreach
- Improve the climate for diversity

10. Strengthen the Quality of the Athletics Program

- Increase revenues
- Request fee increase to offset increased operational costs
- Increase on-line services
- Increase fan participation/attendance
- Increase Development and Fund-raising revenue
- Increase HUB spending
- Expand student athlete exposure to service learning
- Create energy conservation and increase public service involvement
- Strengthen academic advisement and tutor/mentor program
- Increase available scholarships for student athletes
- Improve quality of athletic facilities and playing environment

THE TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY SYSTEM
Board of Regents

Phil Adams, Bryan/College Station (*Chairman)*..... Term expires February 1, 2021

Cliff Thomas, Victoria *(Vice Chairman)* ..... Term expires February 1, 2017

Elaine Mendoza, San Antonio ..... Term expires February 1, 2017

Judy Morgan, Texarkana ..... Term expires February 1, 2017

Anthony G. Buzbee, Houston.....Term expires February 1, 2019

Morris E. Foster, Austin ..... Term expires February 1, 2019

Charles W. Schwartz, Houston .....Term expires February 1, 2019

Robert L. Albritton, Fort Worth .....Term expires January 31, 2021

William Mahomes, Jr., Dallas .....Term expires January 31, 2021

Colton Buckley, *(Student Regent)* .....Term expires May 31, 2015

System Offices Leadership

Chancellor .....John Sharp

Executive Vice Chancellor and Chief Financial Officer ..... Billy Hamilton

Chief Auditor ..... Catherine A. Smock

Chief Information Officer ..... Mark Stone

General Counsel ..... Ray Bonilla

Chief Investment Officer and Treasurer ..... Maria L. Robinson

Vice Chancellor for Federal and State Relations..... Tommy Williams

Vice Chancellor for Academic Affairs ..... James Hallmark

Vice Chancellor for Business Affairs ..... Phillip Ray

Vice Chancellor for Research ..... Jon Mogford

Vice Chancellor for Marketing & Communications ..... Therese (Terry) McDevitt

As of February 2015

For additional information on the Texas A&M University System, refer to: http://www.tamus.edu/regents/

PRAIRIE VIEW A&M UNIVERSITY

Executive Officers

Dr. George C. Wright ..... President

Dr. Michael McFrazier ..... Vice President for Administration

Dr. Felecia M. Nave ..... Provost and Sr. Vice President, Academic Affairs

Dr. Corey S. Bradford ..... Sr. Vice President, Business Affairs

Dr. Cajetan M. Akujuobi ..... Vice President, Research

Dr. Lauretta Byars ..... Vice President, Student Affairs and Institutional Advancement

Mr. Fred Washington ..... Vice President, Administration and Auxiliary Services

Academic Administration

Dr. Alton Johnson..... Dean, College of Agriculture and Human Sciences

Dr. Danny Kelley ..... Dean, College of Arts and Sciences

Dr. Munir Quddus ..... Dean, College of Business

Dr. Fred A. Bonner II ..... Dean, College of Education

Dr. Kendall T. Harris ..... Dean, College of Engineering

Dr. Betty Adams ..... Dean, College of Nursing

Dr. Ikhlas Sabouni ..... Dean, School of Architecture

Dr. Tamara Brown ..... Dean, School of Juvenile Justice and Psychology

Dr. Cajetan M. Akujuobi ..... Dean, Graduate Studies

Mrs. Lettie A. Raab ..... Executive Director, University College

Dr. Dennis E. Daniels ..... Director, Undergraduate Medical Academy

ADMINISTRATIVE STAFF

Office of the President

Shauna King ..... Executive Assistant

Carol B. Campbell ..... Alumni and Special Events Officer

Ashley Robinson ..... Director, Athletics

Business Affairs

Dr. Corey S. Bradford ..... Sr. Vice President, Business Affairs and Chief Financial Officer

Dr. Cynthia Carter ..... Associate Vice President of Business Services

Rod Mireles .... Associate Vice President, Financial Accounting, Reporting & Procurement

Patricia Baughman ..... Assistant Vice President, Financial Services

Radhika Ayyar ..... Director, Employee Services

Dr. Dean Williamson ..... Director, Institutional Research & Effectiveness

Kay Peavy..... Director, Procurement, Contracts and Reconciliation

Larry Raab..... Director, Campus Planning and Space Management

Michael Hass ..... Facilities Director

Rodney Moore ..... Chief Information Officer, Information Technology

Lydia Cavanaugh..... Director, Compliance

Midhat Asghar..... Director, Business Affairs Information Resources

Jim Nelms .....Coordinator, Historically Underutilized Business

Academic Affairs

Dr. Felecia M. Nave..... Provost and Sr. Vice President, Academic Affairs

Dr. E. Joahanne Thomas-Smith .. Special Assistant to the President for Accreditation and Provost Emerita

Dr. James Wilson ..... Associate Provost, Academic Affairs and Director, Honors Program

Dr. Sarina Phillips ..... Associate Provost, Academic Affairs

Dr. James Palmer ..... Associate Provost, Academic Affairs

Dr. Munir Quddus ..... Associate Provost and Dean of Northwest Houston Center

Don Byars..... Associate Provost, Enrollment Management

Ralph Perri ..... Director, Student Financial Aid

Mark Pearson ..... Executive Director, Enrollment Management Services

Dr. Rosie Albritton ..... Director, John B. Coleman Library

Dr. John Williams..... Director, Distance Learning

Lenice D. Brown ..... Interim Director, Undergraduate Admissions

Dr. Laurette Foster..... Coordinator, Center for Teaching Excellence

Administration and Auxiliary Services

Fred Washington ..... Vice President, Administration & Auxiliary Services

Tressey Wilson..... Assistant Vice President, Auxiliary Services

Anitra Phelps-Addison..... Director, Auxiliary Support Services

Zena Stephens.....Chief of Police

Thelma J. Pierre.....Administrator, Dept. of Health and Counseling Services

Ernest Jackson.....Manager, KPVU

Research and Development

Dr. Cajetan M. Akujuobi..... Vice President, Research

Dr. Elizabeth Noel..... Associate Vice President, Research

Lora Williams ..... Director, Title III

Nelson Bowman, III .....Director, Development

David Lytle .....Coordinator, Office of Sponsored Research Services

Dr. Richard Wilkins .Director, NASA Center for Radiation Engineer and Science for Space Exploration (CRESSE)

Dr. Kelvin Kirby ....Deputy Director, Center for Radiation Engineer and Science for Space Exploration (CRESSE)

Student Affairs and Institutional Relations

Dr. Lauretta Byars ..... Vice President, Student Affair and Institutional Advancement

Steven Ransom ..... Interim Associate Vice President, Student Affairs

Candace Johnson ..... Communications Specialist

Elma Gonzalez .....Director, Multicultural Affairs

Glenda Jones.....Director, Career and Outreach Services

Steve Ransom .....Director, Student Activities

Frank D. Jackson .....Governmental Affairs Officer

Charles H. Lewter, IV ..... Dean, All Faiths Chapel

Alexia Taylor ..... Interim Equal Opportunity Officer

Cooperative Extension/Research

Dr. Carolyn J. Williams..... Associate Administrator, Cooperative Extension Program

Dr. Ali Fares..... Research Director, Cooperative Agriculture Research

For additional information on Prairie View A&M University, refer to: http://www.pvamu.edu
All positions effective December 2011

HIGHLIGHTS

Enrollment

- Blacks constitute 85% of the undergraduate enrollment and 74% of the Masters level enrollment. Females make up 61% of the total enrollment.
- Of the 8,343 students in fall 2014, 98% are classified as in–state students.
- Females constitute 60% of undergraduate degrees awarded and 70% of graduate degrees awarded. Females received 63% of all degrees awarded.

Semester Credit Hours

- Undergraduate semester credit hours to graduate semester credit hours (10:1) have begun to increase since its decline over the prior years.
- Semester credit hours earned at off-campus locations continues to increase.

Accomplishments

- The ten-year campus master plan, developed by the University and approved by the Texas A&M University Board of Regents last spring, will add a few modern touches to the look of the campus and address the needs that accompany student growth.
- PVAMU commissioned a commercial that would showcase its rich history and legacy against its picturesque backdrop. The filming brought together students, faculty and staff to highlight the University and its commitment to excellence in teaching, research and service.
- Texas 4-H through Prairie View A&M University's Cooperative Extension Program and United Healthcare announced a new partnership to promote healthy living and empower youth to help fight the nation's obesity epidemic. Representatives from United Healthcare presented a $30,000 check to Prairie View A&M University Cooperative Extension and 4-H youth to launch the program. The partnership, called Eat4-Health, is activating thousands of 4-H youth ambassadors to make healthy choices for themselves and encourage friends, families and people in their communities to make positive changes through training, creative programs and educational events. It currently spans 10 states, including Texas.
- PVAMU to Receive Grants for STEM Partnerships, the funding launches the NNSA's new Minority Serving Institution Partnership Program which creates sustainable science, technology, engineering and mathematics (STEM) pipeline between Department of Energy plants and laboratories and HBCUs.

- Prairie View Alumni Produces Invention. Thompson invented the Kenmark Sports Armband Water Bottle, an invention that allows users to hydrate with ease during a workout. The light weight armband is the very first of its kind. In addition to the water bottle, the armband also holds keys, IPod and credit cards.
- PV Mimes Take Top Honors, Members Mikel Willie, Willie Rhodes, Kevin Wilson, Ivan Butler, Dariante Edwards and Michael Preston, competed against nine other groups from around the country and won the grand prize of $10,000. As a part of their grand prize winnings, the group will be featured in a gospel conference in Philadelphia at a later date.
- PVAMU was selected as a finalist in seven categories of the 2014 HBCU awards.
- In an effort to assess the risk of radiation exposure to astronauts, Prairie View A&M University's Research Team in collaboration with the NASA Johnson Space Center and other partners developed a radiation detection system for the Kyushu Institute of Technology (KIT) Japan. The Radiation Particle Pixel Detector for Deep Space Exploration (PPD) system recently launched aboard the Shinen2 spacecraft as part of the Hayabusa2 Asteroid Explorer mission spearheaded by the Japan Aerospace Exploration Agency (JAXA).

Faculty

- Total faculty headcount has decreased from 507(2008) to 482 (2014).
- Blacks constitute 60% of the Prairie View faculty followed by whites at 19% and Asians/Pacific Islanders at 14%.
- 76% of the tenured faculty members are male and 24% are female.

Staff

- Professional non-faculty employees account for 49% of all non-faculty positions and secretarial/clerical employees make up 27% of the total.
- 39% of all non-faculty employees are male and 61% are female.
- 79% of all non-faculty employees are black, 8% are white, and 6% are Hispanic.

Fiscal Data

- The University's FY2013 revenues and transfers reached $195,074,267 with 31% ($61,446,986) coming from state appropriations.
- Total Funded Research Expenditures decreased to $12,161,310 (FY2013).

Library

- Total Library holdings of all types increased to 1,081,265 in 2013-2014.