Board of Regents

Gilbert Santana, Chairman
Gilbert Santana is a native Baytonian who has lived and worked in Baytown all his life. He attended St. Joseph Catholic School, where his foundation and principles were formed. He graduated from Robert E. Lee High School and received an associate’s degree from Lee College. Gilbert has worked in the petrochemical industry since 1978, owns BDI Resources and Staffing Connection, and proudly offices on Texas Ave. Gilbert serves on various City of Baytown committees and boards, GCCISD Education Foundation Board, Rotary Club of Baytown, Houston Methodist San Jacinto Hospital Board, Baytown Chamber of Commerce Board, and Lee College Foundation Board, as well as other local organizations. He is married to Sherrill Adcock Santana and has two sons: Terrill (Courtney) Pitkin, and Bryant (Leah) Pitkin; and four grandchildren: Falleyn, Kaitlynn, Tinley and Calem. Term expires May 2023.

Judy Jirrels, Vice Chair
A longtime resident of Baytown, Judy Jirrels was elected to the Lee College Board of Regents in 2004. Mrs. Jirrels is a Lee College graduate. She also is a graduate of the University of North Texas, where she majored in fashion merchandising. Mrs. Jirrels is employed by Goose Creek Consolidated Independent School District as a second-grade teacher. She has been married to her husband, Dave, for more than 28 years. They have three sons: Andrew, Timothy, and Daniel; and two granddaughters. Term expires May 2023.

Mark Himsel, Secretary
A resident of Baytown since 1971, Mark Himsel is a graduate of Robert E. Lee High School, Lee College, and Sam Houston State University. For more than 25 years, Mr. Himsel was employed by Amegy Bank. He currently continues in banking as vice president with Fiserv Solutions. He remains active in the community, serving on various boards, organizations, and committees. Many members of Mr. Himsel’s family have attended Lee College. These include Mr. Himsel; his wife, Debbie; and their children Sarah, Amanda, and Andrew. Term expires May 2027.
Daryl Fontenot, Assistant Secretary
Daryl Fontenot is a native of Baytown and a graduate of Ross S. Sterling High School. He received his Bachelor of Business Administration in Finance from The University of Texas at Austin and his Master of Business Administration from the University of Houston – Clear Lake. Daryl is a Wealth Management Advisor with Merrill Lynch and holds the Certified Financial Planner™ designation. He has been with Merrill Lynch since 2000. Daryl is an active volunteer in Baytown, where he has served with the United Way of Greater Baytown and Chambers County, the Bay Area Homeless Services, the Rotary Club of Baytown, and the GCCISD Citizens Bond Advisory Committee. Daryl is also a lector and a member of the Finance Committee of Holy Family Catholic Church. Daryl is married to Bridgette, and they have three sons: Andy, Nicholas, and Adam, all of whom have attended Lee College. Term expires May 2025.

Pete C. Alfaro
Mr. Alfaro was elected to the Lee College Board of Regents in May 2006. He served for 11 years as the Mayor of the City of Baytown, Texas. He is past president of The Rotary Club of Baytown and currently serves on many community organizations as president or chairman. He graduated from University of Texas with a bachelor of science degree in electrical engineering and is a professional engineer in the state of Texas. Term expires May 2025.

Weston Cotten
Weston Cotten is a lifelong resident of this area. He attended Goose Creek schools and graduated from Robert E. Lee High School. He graduated from Lee College and then earned a degree in political science and economics from Stephen F. Austin. He received his law degree in 1981 and was admitted to the State Bar in 1982. He continues to practice law in Baytown. Mr. Cotten is active in Highlands Rotary and other community organizations and served 18 years on the Goose Creek Consolidated Independent School District board. His father, mother, wife, and two of his children have attended Lee College. He and his wife, Delene, have three children: Chet, Chrissa, and Nathan. Term expires May 2027.

Gina Guillory
Gina Guillory is a lifelong resident of Baytown. She is a proud product of the Goose Creek Consolidated Independent School District and Lee College. She is a graduate of Ross S. Sterling High, Lee College, and the University of Phoenix, earning an associate’s degree in office administration and a bachelor’s degree in business administration. She has been an employee of the City of Baytown for 23 years, serving as an accounts payable clerk, administrative assistant (Police Department), executive assistant (Administration), Assistant to the City Manager & Mayor & Council, and is currently the Utility Billing Manager. She is a member of the United Way Emerging Leaders committee and the President of Communities in Schools. Gina is married to Peter Guillory. She is the daughter of John and Roberta Roberson. She has four siblings, three children (Meia, Morris, and Shaila), and five grandchildren. She is a proud member of the Purfect Love Fellowship Church, where she serves as the Praise Team Leader and Finance Officer. She loves Jesus, family time, laughter, seafood, and the Dallas Cowboys! Term expires May 2023.

Mark Hall

Mark Hall, a longtime resident of Baytown, was elected to the Board of Regents in 2002. A graduate of Sterling High School, Mr. Hall attended Lee College for two years before transferring to Sam Houston State University, where he earned a bachelor’s degree in business administration. Mr. Hall is the owner of Carpethaus Flooring America, has been a Baytown Kiwanian for 36 years, serving as president, and is also the past Board Chairman of Baytown Christian Academy. He and his wife, Nancy, have three children: Whitney, Hunter, and Garrett. Term expires May 2027.

Susan Moore-Fontenot

Susan Moore-Fontenot retired as director of personnel for Goose Creek Consolidated Independent School District in 2014 after completing 38 years in public education. She attended Lee College and graduated magna cum laude, earning a bachelor’s degree in speech pathology from Sam Houston State University. Her master’s degree in educational supervision is from Lamar University. She has served on the Lee College Board of Regents since 1988. Professionally she has served as president of the Texas Association of School Personnel Administrators. Her community service includes serving on the board of the American Cancer Society, chartering the Baytown Area Education Recruitment and Retention (BAER²) Program, and serving as an ad hoc member of the Lee College Black Educational Access Committee. She also serves as treasurer of Top Ladies of Distinction, Inc., a national service organization benefiting youths and adults. She is the proud mother of one son, Brian, who lives in Round Rock. Term expires May 2025.

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