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"We needed to call an emergency meeting to name an interim president (at Prairie View A&M), so we decided to take care of the final decision on Gates also," said Erle Nye, chairman of the Board of Regents.

On May 11, the Board named Gates the sole presidential finalist but, in accordance with the law, had to wait 21 days to officially appoint him as president.

The interim president of Prairie View will serve while a search advisory committee conducts a national search, a process expected to take up to 12 months.

Charles A. Hines, president of Prairie View A&M for the past eight years, retired this May, effective September 1, 2002.

Tempton is now currently serving as active president of Prairie View A&M until the new president assumes office in the summer of 2003.

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