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## MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE BOARD OF REGENTS APRIL 7, 1995

A regular meeting of the Board of Regents of The Texas A&M University System was convened by Ms. Mary Nan West, at 8:38 a.m., Friday, April 7, 1995, in Room 292, Memorial Student Center, on the campus of Texas A&M University, College Station, Texas. The following members of the Board were present:

Ms. Mary Nan West, Chairman Mr. Robert H. Allen Ms. Alison Brisco Mr. John H. Lindsey Mr. Frederick D. McClure Mr. T. Michael O'Connor Mr. Don Powell Ms. M. Guadalupe L. Rangel

The following member of the Board was not present:

Mr. Royce E. Wisenbaker

(<u>Secretary's Note</u>: Mr. Robert H. Allen, who succeeded Mr. Raul B. Fernandez; Mr. Frederick D. McClure, who succeeded Mr. Gerald J. Ford; and, Mr. Don Powell, who succeeded Mr. Bill Clayton; were attending their first meeting as members of the Board of Regents. They were appointed by Governor George W. Bush on March 21, 1995, confirmed by the Texas Senate on April 5, 1995, and duly qualified by the administration of their oaths of office by Representative Steve Ogden on April 6, 1995.)

Ms. West introduced Mr. Toby Boenig, the newly elected student body president of Texas A&M University. Ms. West said that Mr. Boenig was a student in the College of Agriculture. Mr. Boenig said he was excited and overwhelmed and had huge shoes to follow in Ms. Brooke Leslie. He said she had been an outstanding student body president. Mr. Boenig said he looked forward to working with all of the members of the Board.

Ms. West announced that the two polo teams were busy winning. The women's polo team won the semi-finals against the University of Virginia in sudden death overtime. The final score was 18 to 17. She said the two polo teams keep winning and she hoped that someday Texas A&M would give them proper facilities.

The invocation was presented by Mr. Tom Sullivan, a Texas A&M University student, majoring in journalism.

Ms. West announced that the next order of business was the election of officers. Ms. West asked Ms. Rangel to preside for this portion of the meeting. Minutes - April 7, 1995

Ms. Rangel said in accordance with the <u>Bylaws of the Board of Regents of The Texas</u> <u>A&M University System</u>, at the first regular meeting or special meeting following the appointment, qualification and confirmation of the three new members regularly appointed in odd years, a Chairman and a Vice Chairman of the Board are elected. Ms. Rangel said nominations were in order for the Office of the Chairman of the Board. The Board took action as set forth below:

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# ELECTION OF THE CHAIRMAN OF THE BOARD OF REGENTS THE TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY SYSTEM

Mr. O'Connor nominated Ms. Mary Nan West for the position of Chairman of the Board. Ms. Brisco seconded the nomination. Ms. Rangel asked if there were any other nominations. There being none, Ms. Rangel asked for a motion that nominations cease. Ms. Brisco moved that nominations cease and Mr. Lindsey seconded the motion. Ms. Rangel then called for the vote and Ms. West was elected as Chairman of the Board by acclamation.

Ms. Rangel said that nominations were in order for the office of Vice Chairman of the Board. The Board took action as set forth below:

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#### ELECTION OF THE VICE CHAIRMAN OF THE BOARD OF REGENTS THE TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY SYSTEM

Ms. Brisco nominated Mr. John H. Lindsey for the position of Vice Chairman of the Board. She said he would be a terrific Vice Chairman, a great balance to Mary Nan West, and it would be the culmination of four years of service to the System. Mr. Allen seconded the nomination. Ms. Rangel asked if there were any other nominations. Ms. West nominated Mr. T. Michael O'Connor for the position of Vice Chairman of the Board. Mr. McClure seconded the nomination. Ms. Rangel said they now had nominations for Mr. John H. Lindsey and Mr. T. Michael O'Connor for the position of Vice Chairman of the Board.

Ms. Rangel called for a vote for Mr. Lindsey. By a show of hands; Mr. Allen, Ms. Brisco and Mr. Lindsey voted "aye." Ms. Rangel asked for those opposed. By a show of hands; Mr. McClure, Mr. O'Connor, Mr. Powell, Ms. Rangel and Ms. West voted "nay." Ms. Rangel said the motion failed.

Ms. Rangel said the next vote was for Mr. O'Connor. By a show of hands; Mr. McClure, Mr. O'Connor, Mr. Powell, Ms. Rangel and Ms. West voted "aye." Mr. Allen moved that Mr. O'Connor be elected as Vice Chairman of the Board by acclamation. Ms. Brisco seconded the motion. Ms. Rangel then called for the vote and Mr. O'Connor was elected as Vice Chairman of the Board by acclamation.

Ms. Rangel congratulated both Ms. West and Mr. O'Connor and turned the meeting over to Ms. West.

Ms. West said she would do her best as Chairman. She said she was a good listener and invited anyone who wished to talk to her to do so. She said she could not know what was going on unless she was told. She said she was ready to cooperate and work with everyone for the betterment of the System. Ms. West said that everyone recognized that Texas A&M at College Station was the flagship of the System. She said someone had told her that the big battleship can be very vulnerable unless it has all the little ships around it taking care of it and protecting it. Ms. West suggested looking at the System in that fashion and that the System components need to take care of each other. Ms. West said that was something that was very dear to her heart and something that she would like to see happen. She said she thought that the Board and the System was moving in that direction. She said when people cooperate and work hard they can move mountains, but if they're divided they can do nothing. Ms. West said there might be people on the outside who want to divide the System, but the System must stand strong together.

## CHANCELLOR'S OVERVIEW

Ms. West called on Dr. Barry B. Thompson, Chancellor of The Texas A&M University System (TAMUS), for an overview of System activities. Dr. Thompson said they had started out at some disadvantage during the legislative session. He said significant progress has been made, thanks to the hard work of System employees and Board members. He said one of the first problems encountered was the surprise move to remove Texas A&M International University (TAMIU) from TAMUS. Dr. Thompson said that had been resisted by a great number of people in Laredo and Webb County and around the State. He said that activity has galvanized the System and its leadership, the agency heads, the university presidents, and a lot of other people, like no other issue that he has observed in his 14 years with TAMUS. Dr. Thompson said he was cautiously optimistic that TAMUS would prevail in that arena. He said he thought it would send a good message to the people of Texas in terms of good public policy versus bad public policy. Dr. Thompson said the legislative session was unique. He said when all was said and done, he was cautiously optimistic that the System would prevail in terms of equal funding.

Dr. Thompson said one thing that had significantly aided the legislative program was Operation Lone Star. He asked Ms. Terri Parker, Director of Communications, to brief the Board on some of the billboards that had appeared in Austin as well as some of the newspaper ads that had appeared in the Austin American Statesman. Ms. Parker presented examples of the billboards and ads. She said Operation Lone Star was composed of about 40 individuals who were selected by Dr. Thompson. She said it has a lot of external supporters, as well as TAMUS employees. Ms. Parker said the group has met three times and was planning another meeting on April 25. She said they do a lot of "out-of-the-box" type thinking on what could be done to further promote TAMUS statewide, especially the agencies. She said it was really just raising the public's awareness of what TAMUS does. Ms. Parker said Austin was used for the first part of the campaign. She said the second half of the campaign would begin in the fall. Ms. Brisco asked if the ads were running currently. Ms. Parker replied that they had been running since the middle of March, and they would run through the 25th of May. Mr. Allen asked if there had been any sequence in the ads. Ms. Parker replied in the affirmative. Mr. Allen asked which ad had attracted the most attention. Ms. Parker said the "Educazion Is Importent" ad. Dr. Thompson said the response has been phenomenal. He said he has been complimented for the project by presidents of several universities because the ads had "taken the high ground" in terms of making a statement to the people. He said one of the problems TAMUS has had is that it has not done a good job of articulating the multifaceted programs of TAMUS. He said Operation Lone Star was attempting to use humor and very good data to convince people that maybe they can't do without TAMUS. Mr. Allen said in some quarters it was observed that Aggies can't spell. He said he was not sure that the ads needed to emphasize that. Dr. Thompson assured Mr. Allen that this was an attempt to capitalize on his observation. Mr. O'Connor asked how the ads were funded. Dr. Thompson said they were paid by private funds that were donated to TAMUS and that was so stated in the ads.

Dr. Thompson said both of Texas A&M University's polo teams, the men and women, had qualified for the national championship and would play for the championship the next day, April 8.

Dr. Thompson said the Chancellor's 21st Century Council had recently met in Galveston. He said there have been seven meetings of supporters of the Chancellor. The current membership is 100, which is a record, and those members pay \$1,000. He said they have been very helpful in Operation Lone Star and other important legislative issues. Dr. Thompson said every student body was represented by its president or its president's designee. He said they had the agencies there for the first time and they did a job/mission fair, where they displayed the exhibits that they use commercially around the State. He said the presidents gave their presentations individually. Dr. Thompson said it was very well received and commended his staff and the CEOs for their aid in the meeting.

#### **REPORT FROM DIRECTORS OF SERVICE AGENCIES**

<u>Texas Transportation Institute (TTI)</u>: Dr. Herbert H. Richardson, Director of TTI, explained that TTI was the largest and finest university affiliated transportation institute in the country. He said TTI's budget was greater than the sum of the second two largest institutes. He said the mission of TTI was to conduct transportation research, much of it applied research, and to transfer those results to the people of Texas and elsewhere where they could be used. This research is done in all modes of transportation. He said at the same time, TTI was involved in professional education and in the development of diverse human talent for transportation. Dr. Richardson said TTI employs about 124 undergraduate students and about 85 graduate students. He said TTI was the site of four national centers of excellence, the only center in the country that has more than two such centers. Dr. Richardson said the most recent center which had been awarded to TTI was the Association of American Railroads Affiliated Laboratory, which was one of three. He said the other two are at MIT and the University of Illinois. Dr. Richardson said in the last year, TTI formed seven regional divisions to work with other universities around the State. He said five of those are in TAMUS. He said the two are outside the System are Lamar University and Texas Southern University.

Dr. Richardson said the major strengths of TTI are in areas such as roadside safety, pavement management and construction, transportation economics and planning, traffic management, landscape architecture, environmental issues and others. He said TTI has two major legislative initiatives during the legislative session. Dr. Richardson referred to a brief summary of those initiatives, copies of which are on file in the Office of the Board of Regents. He said they were working with Chancellor Thompson and members of the legislative team in Austin, particularly Ms. Cathy Reiley.

The first initiative Dr. Richardson discussed was the Southwest Region University Center. He said this was a partnership with Texas Southern University and the University of Texas at Austin (UT). He said the U. S. Department of Transportation had provided an annual grant of \$1 million, provided the grant is matched with \$1 million in non-Federal funds.

Dr. Richardson said that would require \$1 million per year matched from the State of Texas. He said in the past, that money had been provided by oil overcharge. He said it needed to be rolled into the General Revenue because oil overcharge funds are depleted. Dr. Richardson said they had succeeded in getting that money on the Senate side and it was in Article 11 on the House side. He said TTI would be working to ensure that it receives that match so that Texas can keep this important center in the State.

Dr. Richardson said the second initiative was the Center for Ports and Waterways. He said this was a consortium that included all the coastal universities in Texas, TTI, Texas A&M University (TAMU), and UT, including the LBJ School. He said the legislation was being carried by Representative Todd Hunter of Corpus Christi on the House side. He said that was successfully "voted out" and passed by the Transportation Committee. Dr. Richardson said on the Senate side, it was being carried by Senator Jerry Patterson and a hearing was expected soon. Dr. Richardson said they have a lot of support from the ports, from the Texas Waterway Operators Association and others. He said they have a special item for some funding for this center in Article 11 and that progress was being made. He said they are getting help from a lot of people who feel that these two efforts are particularly important.

**System Agriculture Program:** Dr. Edward A. Hiler, Vice Chancellor for Agriculture and Director of the Texas Agricultural Experiment Station (TAES), explained that part of the agriculture program included the Texas Agricultural Extension Service (TAEX), the Texas Forest Service (TFS), the Texas Veterinary Medical Diagnostic Laboratory (TVMDL), and the Texas Animal Damage Control Service (TADCS). He said he also serves as Dean of the College of Agriculture at TAMU.

Dr. Hiler said the agricultural program provides strong linkages with agricultural efforts at the other institutions of the System that have programs in agriculture environment and life sciences. He said he had two things to convey to the Board at the beginning. The first was that Toby Boenig, a student in the College of Agriculture and Life Sciences, was elected student body president of TAMU. The second was that Dr. Konrad Eugster, Director of TVMDL, would not be participating in the meeting because his mother, who lived in Austria, had passed away earlier in the week.

Dr. Hiler said he would quickly mention three highlights and then focus on one specific item. He said in terms of the highlights, the first Annual Agriculture Program Conference was held that involved all of the System agricultural components on January 11-13. He said it was a highly successful event that focused on bringing the System's internal people together. He said they had some outstanding industry speakers addressing both sides of various issues of the day. Dr. Hiler said the second Annual Distinguished Texan in Agriculture Award was given in Austin on March 8, to Governor Dolph Brisco. Dr. Hiler said Governor Brisco was a leader, including being one of the leaders in the TALL Program (Texas Agricultural Lifetime Leadership Program). Dr. Hiler added that the first winner of the award, Mr. John Armstrong of the King Ranch, had been present.

Dr. Hiler said the next highlight included the developments at the TAMU Agricultural Research and Extension Center at Amarillo. He said Dr. G. B. Thompson, who had been the director for 19 years, was retiring at the end of the August. Dr. Hiler said they had put a search committee in place to find his replacement. That search committee includes two members from industry, one from the livestock industry and one from the crop industry. He said they were focusing on joint efforts with West Texas A&M University (WTAMU), the Agricultural Research Service and TAES to serve that area. Dr. Hiler said they also have a joint planning

group that is laying out a road map for action in terms of what should be done there. Dr. Hiler said the joint legislative initiative with WTAMU was moving along well.

Dr. Hiler said the special focus item on which he wanted to comment related to Dr. Charles DeYoung. He said with the full support and concurrence of President Manual Ibanez and Provost Robert Kirby at Texas A&M University-Kingsville (TAMU-K); Dr. DeYoung, Dean of Agriculture and Human Sciences at TAMU-K, had been appointed as Assistant Vice Chancellor in the Agriculture Program. He said Dr. DeYoung would continue as Dean at TAMU-K and would continue to be officed there. Dr. Hiler said this appointment was in recognition of a current significant level of joint activities involving TAMU-K, TAES and TAEX. He said the TAMU-K Citrus Center was a joint effort with the Weslaco Research and Extension Center. He said there was a joint Ph.D. program at TAMU and TAMU-K in the Wildlife and Fishery Sciences area, which was just approved by the Coordinating Board. He said there were also several joint appointments in animal science, wildlife sciences, and in family and consumer sciences with TAMU-K. Dr. Hiler said this made a statement that they are very serious about joint win-win programs within the System. He said that was the future of the System. Dr. Hiler said Dr. DeYoung's duties would be to strengthen current joint efforts, to develop new joint win-win efforts among the Agriculture Program and TAMU-K, and to help bring a stronger perspective to those in College Station to nurture the development of more of these positive joint programs with all of the System institutions.

Ms. West asked what happened to the building in Ft. Stockton. Dr. Hiler said it was moving along. Ms. West asked if they had started the building. Dr. Hiler said he would have Dr. Zerle Carpenter address that question.

<u>Texas Agricultural Extension Service (TAEX) and Texas Animal Damage Control</u> <u>Service (TADCS)</u>: Dr. Zerle Carpenter, Director of TAEX and TADCS, said with regard to the Ft. Stockton Center; the bid process would not be opened until just prior to the next Board meeting. Ms. West asked if the county commissioners had donated the land. Dr. Carpenter replied in the affirmative. Ms. West asked if they had donated the money. Dr. Carpenter said they had not had the actual acceptance by the Board. He said he hoped that all of that could be wrapped up at the next Board meeting.

Dr. Carpenter said TAEX was pleased with the Food Industry Training Division that had been initiated as a part of the Institute of Food Science and Engineering and the Center for Food Safety. He said they are recognized as the national organization for training people on the hazardous critical points of contamination for protection of the food supply. He said they have national training and have organized a national alliance.

Dr. Carpenter said water quality issues have been recognized and the Secretary of Agriculture wanted a report. He said the water quality issues on the Sako Creek Demonstration Project were marvelous. He said they were fortunate that it was in the zone of the Edward's Aquifer. They are now being asked by other organizations to detail conditions related to control of some of the species that absorb the water and transpire it into the atmosphere and to be able to provide the environment for the endangered species in the area. He said they are making great advances in cleaning up some of the contamination in the North Bosque Rivershed in Erath County, in collaboration with Tarleton State University (TSU), a major dairy producing area. He said they also have major water quality efforts ongoing in the Lake Fork Creek area, in Hopkins County around Sulphur Springs; and the Seymour Aquifer area, in Haskell and Knox Counties. He said all of these are in collaboration with TAES, Texas Engineering Extension Service (TEEX), TSU and a number of federal agencies.

Dr. Carpenter said at this time a lot of discussion was being held about the rewrite of the farm bill at the federal level. He said the System's Agriculture and Food Policy Center, housed in the Department of Agricultural Economics, was a major driving force. He said they are recognized as the national experts and are being called on continuously to brief the staff associated with the rewrite of the farm bill.

Dr. Carpenter reported that the minority internship program will be conducted during the summer. He said they expect to have 30 sophomore and junior college students in the internship program on a statewide basis. This will be the sixth year of the program. Dr. Carpenter said that 35 percent of the full-time professional employees of TAEX were participants during the first three years of the program. Dr. Carpenter reported that they had 45 AmeriCorps interns, primarily in South Texas, who are working on environmental issues. He said they are getting contributions for their future college education.

Dr. Carpenter said they have a three-year program on the Alabama Cochataw Indian Reservation in Trinity and Poke Counties; working with young people, many of whom have a 60 percent school dropout rate. He said drugs are predominate and the family income on that reservation was less than \$8,000 per year. Dr. Carpenter said TAEX had initiated a program with the youth on the reservation with a small amount, \$30,000, of federal funding. He said the tribal council was a bit uncertain as other federal programs had come in but did not stay. Dr. Carpenter said they had persuaded the tribal council that TAEX would be there for the long haul. He said he was pleased to report that that they have 200 youngsters in a 4-H program on that reservation, developing leadership and gardening skills. Dr. Carpenter said the federal government had pulled out two weeks ago but TAEX was in for the long haul.

Dr. Carpenter said concerning TADCS, the rabies outbreak in South Texas was serious. He said recently the Canadians had come in and dropped bait with a vaccine. This process was developed in collaboration with TAMU-K, which provided much of the primary information related to those baits. He said TADCS worked with the Texas Department of Health and the federal authorities on dropping the bait across South Texas. He said they are in the process of capturing some of the coyotes in that area and taking samples of those animals to laboratories in Atlanta to determine the number of animals that had picked up the bait. Dr. Carpenter said another important rabies area was the Texas Hill Country, with the incidence of rabies in fox. Dr. Carpenter said they are working with local authorities and veterinarians to have free vaccination clinics in many areas of the State. He said the key was the vaccination of farm animals and farm dogs for rabies.

Ms. Rangel complimented Dr. Carpenter on the efforts of TAEX. She said she had run into some people who were being helped by the program. She said in the Rio Grande Valley, TAEX agents were reaching up to 500 families. Ms. Rangel said she had also met some women who were being helped to start their own businesses and these women had been on welfare. Ms. Rangel said she really appreciated the work of TAEX.

**System Engineering Program:** Dr. C. Roland Haden, Vice Chancellor for Engineering and Dean of College of Engineering at TAMU, said he was charged with the responsibility for the System's engineering program and also serves as Director of the Texas Engineering Experiment Station (TEES). Dr. Haden said in the latest <u>U.S. News and World Report</u>, it was reported that TAMU's College of Engineering moved from number 20 last year to number 17 this year. Dr. Haden said it was his full intent to move upward next year and in the years to come.

Dr. Haden said the Ft. Hood relationships continued to be good. He said they have a test course, televised instruction, with 35 students. He said that was a prep course for the professional

engineering exam which went very well. He said that was with a switch 56 KB link and they have also committed to a TTVN link. Dr. Haden said that has led to a number of major projects in the making. One of those proposals, which will be going to the Army, is a \$10 million project in virtual reality. He said that was a joint project between TAMU, TAMU-CC and TAMU-K. Dr. Haden said the division at TSU is getting off to a good start and they anticipate a great deal of research being generated there.

Dr. Haden said in keeping with the Board's newly adopted policies he wanted to give the Board a "heads up" on three efforts that were started prior to the adoption of the System Policies; but which have not been formally brought to the Board. He said he would discuss those and would put them on the Board's agenda for an upcoming meeting. He said they would be receiving a gift from T. Michael O'Connor (not Regent O'Connor); who has put a \$4 million fund in the Communities Foundation in Dallas to undergird and establish the Mary K. O'Connor Process Safety Center. Dr. Haden said Mary K. O'Connor, the late wife of T. Michael O'Connor, had been killed in a chemical plant explosion a few years ago. He was establishing this to set up a process safety center to encourage the study of safety and research into safety in chemical plant operations. Dr. Haden said that would probably be formally brought to the Board at its next meeting. He said he mentioned it now because they had a formal signed agreement to accept the money.

Dr. Haden said another project was the Global Petroleum Research Institute, which they started working on nearly a year ago. He said this project has not formally been brought to the Board, but it soon would be. He said this was in response to a pull back from research by the major petroleum companies in the country. He said the U.S. has a \$11 billion export industry and a big chunk of that is in the State of Texas. He said this is separate and apart from the production of petroleum and its products. This includes the platform, drill bits, electronics, etc. Dr. Haden said with a pull back in research, there was a great danger of that industry being lost. He said other countries, notably Norway and France, were invested heavily in this by their own governments. He said they have now met with six of the major companies and were in full agreement that this was a real problem. He said they are discussing a Sematech sort of an organization for the major oil industry where they would put in some dollars. Dr. Haden said they were targeting \$25 million per year as the budget for that consortium and so far, no one has said no. He said they had four more companies to visit and they had already talked to six. Dr. Haden said this should get off the ground sometime this year.

Dr. Haden said the third item was a program that they had proposed to the National Science Foundation (NSF) last year, their infrastructure program, to help replace TEES' Ocean and Coastal Engineering Laboratory, which is housed in an old building that is rapidly deteriorating. Dr. Haden said they have received preliminary notice that the proposal might be funded. He said that would be \$1 million from the NSF, which would not be enough to fund the building. He said TEES would put up some matching money, but they are also going out in the private sector to see if they can raise money through the gift process. They need about \$1,800,000. Dr. Haden said that would obviously require Board approval. Dr. Haden said the projects he had just mentioned were some "heads up" that he wanted to give the Board in the spirit of the current policy.

<u>Texas Engineering Extension Service (TEEX)</u>: Dr. G. Kemble Bennett, Director of TEEX, said TEEX has a three-pronged mission. The primary mission is in job training and job training skills. He said TEEX was also involved in technical assistance where it was needed in engineering related subjects. He said TEEX also plays a major role in technology transfer, trying to get technology into the hands of Texas businesses as quick as possible. He said TEEX trains over a 120,000 people in the State each year. He said TEEX' annual budget is \$42 million, of

which \$3.5 million comes from state funds. Dr. Bennett said the rest of the budget is fee generated funds for TEEX services.

He said TEEX runs four national centers. The Texas Manufacturing Assistance Center is a partnership with UT-Arlington, UT-El Paso, TEEX, the University of Houston, and Texas Tech. He said that is a \$20.9 million operation for the State over a three-year period to assist manufacturing businesses, particularly the small and medium sized manufacturers that cannot afford research and development and cannot afford a large engineering force to keep up-to-date on new technologies. He said TEEX tries to provide services to those type of "mom and pop" manufacturers to make sure that they don't get obsolete in their technologies. Dr. Bennett said TEEX also runs the OSHA Training Center for a six-state region of the U.S. and provides OSHA training courses for businesses in safety. He said it creates a lot of interest in learning the latest policies and what OSHA is up to and to make business owners aware. He said TEEX has an economic development center, from the U.S. Department of Labor, where it assists communities in revitalizing their economies. He said TEEX has some notable successes in Texas, the most notable was in East Texas where TEEX has worked with a community to change their basis to bring in medical communities. Dr. Bennett said they are excited about what TEEX has been doing in economic development, particularly in trying to work with the rural communities and working closely with TAEX in all of those activities. He said they have the Mid-Continent Tech Transfer Center, a NASA funded effort to transfer technologies from the national laboratories into businesses. He said TEEX works with a lot of entrepreneurs in Texas trying to spin off new companies. He said that is a 16-state regional program for the U.S.

Dr. Bennett said in the legislative session, TEEX was doing quite well. He said they had two major initiatives. The first initiative was for the fire training program as TEEX needs equipment and has \$1 million in its budget. The other initiative was the Beheld Revenue Neutral by John Sharp, State Comptroller, for the Texas Manufacturing Assistance Center. He said they need the State to say that it would agree that the \$3 million that it puts in will be there in the next session, because TEEX is matching that with so much money coming from the federal government. Dr. Bennett said thanks to the efforts of the System's legislative people and Chancellor Thompson, TEEX got that written into both the Senate and the House to hold that revenue neutral for the \$3 million state matching that is needed.

Dr. Bennett said he had several highlights to present the Board. One of the courses that is really taking off nationally, in fact it has made the front page of the Los Angeles Times, is "Dummies Help Teach A Lesson In Traffic Safety." Dr. Bennett said the article went on to talk about TEEX's training program. He said they were referring to the dummies that are used in terms of bicycle accidents and reconstruction of bicycle accidents. He said it turns out that pedestrians are involved in about half the fatalities that occur in traffic accidents, particularly in Los Angeles County. He said it is a very successful course in accident investigation reconstruction which has really taken off around the country.

Dr. Bennett said TEEX has an arrangement with Hardin-Simmons University, as it has a program leading to a master's degree in Environmental Sciences. He said TEEX does a lot of training in the occupational environmental safety area, which is "hands-on" training. He said Hardin-Simmons has added six hours of academic credit to its academic curriculum for its students who take TEEX's training courses. TEEX is a laboratory for those students. Dr. Bennett said the students receive a master's degree in Environmental Science from the university, but they count some of TEEX's courses toward that accreditation to the degree. Hardin-Simmons gives the credit not TEEX. TEEX just allows the students in its classes. Dr. Bennett said the good feature of this arrangement is that the graduates of Hardin-Simmons' program are on their way to obtaining the certifications that they need from EPA and OSHA. He

said part of their professional certifications require these courses, so the students will graduate with a "leg up" in getting the certifications that they need to practice in industry. Dr. Bennett said he hopes that more of that kind of cooperation will take place with the academic side of programs. Dr. Bennett added that Hardin-Simmons came to TEEX. He said it was a nice partnership as Hardin-Simmons is located in Abiline and TEEX has a training center there.

Dr. Bennett said the past week, TEEX held its Annual Telecommunications Conference and over 1,200 people in the telecommunications industry attended. He said TEEX had an equipment fair at the Riverside Campus where all the latest technologies, in terms of equipment in telecommunication, were shown. He said TEEX has ongoing training programs in telecommunications. He said one of the best things about the show is that a lot of the vendors leave their equipment with TEEX on assignment for a year. Then the next year they bring in the new equipment and pick up the old. Dr. Bennett said with this arrangement, TEEX is able to use the latest technology in the field in its training program. He said it is a tremendous benefit to TAMUS and the recipients in Texas who are trained on the latest equipment, which TEEX cannot possibly afford.

Dr. Bennett said the TEEX train has been moved. He said Amtrak donated six passenger cars and two locomotives which sat on a spur behind the Fred Dollar Food Commissary. He said they had just moved the train to the rescue training field. Dr. Bennett said they would use this train to conduct training on passenger trains. He said there was an accident that took place in Louisiana when a barge hit a bridge and there were several lives lost. He said when the responders turned out they really didn't know how to address this particular kind of emergency. They had no training in how to adapt to that kind of accident. Dr. Bennett said there's a lot more that goes in rescue than just going out and throwing ropes. He said you've got to know the structural integrity of what you're working with. Dr. Bennett said this would be the only such training facility in the U.S. He said the rail industry went together and donated this to TEEX's rescue training program and would be sending people to train from around the U.S. He said firefighters and rescue people in Texas would also receive training in case there was any kind of passenger train derailments in their localities.

Dr. Bennett concluded by reporting on TEEX's efforts to continue to work with Ft. Hood in providing training. He said TEEX is conducting hazardous material training for Ft. Hood, which is in desperate need of help and training from TEEX. He said a lot of the problems deal with getting things approved out of Washington. Dr. Bennett said they were working on those issues and thought they would be seeing a lot of cooperation with Ft. Hood in training, particularly hazardous material training that is needed for the base.

Ms. West asked about TEEX's Coast Guard business. Dr. Bennett said the Center for Marine Training and Safety is moving very well. He said TEEX is in the process of getting an offshore oil drilling platform that will be used for training purposes that is being brought into Galveston. He said he hoped that TEEX's quests would become a Coast Guard center of excellence on the Gulf Coast. Dr. Bennett added that the renovations on the Kelso property in Galveston were moving along well. Ms. West asked if she was correct in saying that there would be only three of these stations in the U.S. Dr. Bennett replied in the affirmative. Ms. West asked if there would be one on the Gulf, one on the Pacific, and one on the Atlantic. Dr. Bennett replied in the affirmative and said that TEEX is trying to get the one on the Gulf. He said the maritime industry in Texas is very important to Texas. He said what TTI is doing there with its ports and waterways operation, and what TEEX is trying to do, presented a very attractive package to keep the maritime industry alive and well and in Texas. He said Florida and Louisiana would love to see these businesses move into their states. Ms. West asked if TAMUS has a good chance of getting it. Dr. Bennett said he thought they had an excellence chance. Mr.

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Powell asked the size of TEEX's budget. Dr. Bennett said it is about \$42,000,000 annually and \$3,500,000 is from state funds. He said the rest is fee generated. Dr. Thompson said that is the ultimate leverage. Dr. Bennett said it is a good "bang for your buck" with what TEEX does with what it is given. He said it is extremely important to have the state funds because TEEX does a lot of work with the communities that can't afford these kinds of operations and the volunteers and fire fighters. He said these are critical funds in emergency medical services and police officer training.

<u>Texas Forest Service (TFS)</u>: Mr. Bruce Miles, Director of TFS, said he would like to dedicate most of his time to a special presentation. He referred to a handout, a copy of which is on file in the Office of the Board of Regents, which included a report on the timber industry, a forest resource of East Texas. He said that was a cooperative effort between the TAEX and TFS, of which both entities are quite proud.

Mr. Miles reported that TFS had just completed its tree planting season, some 15 million trees that TFS grows at its nursery near Crockett. He said because of the warm season this year, TFS had to find extra cooler space for its seedlings and Coors Beer of Longview provided TFS with space at a very nominal rate. He said through the Small Business Administration grant, TFS had been able to provide funding for TAMU-CC, WTAMU, TSU and PVAMU for tree planting on their campuses with a cost share program.

Mr. Miles said that Mr. Powell would be interested to know that at Amarillo, the Texas Department of Transportation asked TFS to work with them on a living snow fence project. He said they have two pilot projects in that area which are trees planted to prevent snow drifts on the interstate. He said Interstate 40 was going to be a project between TFS and the Texas Department of Transportation. Mr. Miles said Texas Utilities had contributed \$80,000 to TFS' privately funded foundation in East Texas.

Mr. Miles reported that timber theft was a major problem in East Texas because of record high timber prices as well as absentee landowners. He said they are doing a lot of work with the FBI and IRS with respect to that. TFS also helped agencies such as the General Land Office, Texas Department of Criminal Justice and the State Parks and Wildlife Department in timber sales this past year to help with their budgets.

He said two days ago, TFS sent 25 fire fighters to the State of Virginia to work on its fire problem. Five fire fighters were sent to Kentucky and to Tennessee. Mr. Miles said he wanted to publicly thank Ms. West for her letter to <u>Texas Monthly</u>. As a result of that letter and the concern about the arson problem in Southeast Texas, another story would be coming out in <u>Texas Monthly</u> about the real problem there in terms of arson.

Mr. Miles said TFS had a reduction in force in September of 1994 which reduced its budget by \$500,000. He said this affected three departments. He said as a result of that to the Information and Education Department, they contracted with agricultural communications to do TFS' information education work, press releases, etc. He said TFS has not only saved some money, but it has received a better product. He said TFS has a statewide fire danger warning graphic system that goes to every newspaper in the State talking about the fire dangers throughout the State of Texas which is done by their graphics department. He said TFS has had a number of fire prevention news releases which covered over 70,000 acres of wild fire in West Texas that TFS fought last year. He said they did a brochure on the fire mobilization fund and they have promoted TFS' dry hydrant program, which has over a thousand dry hydrants across the State. He said the Agricultural Communications Department had been awarded the National Bronze Smokey Bear Award for its work in fire prevention and fire effort. Mr. Miles said he wanted to

make that presentation in front of the Board. He asked Dr. Barry Jones and his staff; Kathleen Davis, Blanca Jackson and Dana Hunt, to join him at the podium. He said they had all worked on this project for the past year. Mr. Miles said he also had another special guest and introduced Smokey the Bear. Mr. Miles read the award which said, "Awarded to the Agricultural Communications of Texas A&M University for outstanding public service in wildfire prevention by the U.S. Department of Agriculture, Forest Service, National Association of State Foresters, and the Advertising Council of 1994." Mr. Miles congratulated Dr. Jones on the award.

Ms. West asked Mr. Miles if he had ever received payment for putting out the fire that Texas Tech had started. Mr. Miles replied in the affirmative.

At 9:50 a.m., Ms. West announced that she would recess the meeting for 10 minutes.

At 10:10 a.m., Ms. reconvened the meeting of the Board and announced that the Board, having convened in open session, would enter into a closed session to consider matters as permitted by the following section(s) of Chapter 551 of the <u>Texas Government Code</u>: Section 551.071, for consultation with its attorneys; Section 551.075, for a conference with an employee or employees of the System for the sole purpose of receiving information from them or to ask questions of them and where no discussion of public business or System policy that affects public business would take place between Board members. She said under this section the Board would receive a report from Chancellor Thompson on the possible expansion of the System, a report from President Bowen on the status of the location of the Swine Center and other research facilities at the Animal Science Center Complex, a report from President Bowen on the status of the Scott and White Research Center and other matters pertaining to Scott and White's Clinical component of Texas A&M's Medical Education program, and a report from the General Counsel.

Ms. West said it was anticipated that the Board would reconvene in open session at approximately 11:15 a.m. She said in accordance with the law, no final action, decision or vote with regard to any matter considered in the closed meeting would be made or taken. Ms. West then asked all persons who had not been requested to stay to leave the meeting room.

At 12:15 p.m., Ms. West reconvened the meeting of the Board in open session and announced that the Board had met in closed session from 10:13 a.m. to 12:10 p.m., on April 7, 1995, and consulted with System attorneys on pending and threatened lawsuits and gave the General Counsel appropriate direction as may have been requested on such matters but for which no official action was required. She said the Board also received reports from Chancellor Thompson on the possible expansion of the System; reports from President Bowen on the status and the location of the Swine Center and other research facilities at the Animal Science Center Complex and the status of the Scott and White Research Center and other matters pertaining to Scott and White's clinical component of Texas A&M's Medical Education program; a report from Ms. Kurz, the General Counsel; and, a report from the Chancellor on the status of the search for the President of WTAMU.

#### **REPORT OF THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE**

Ms. West, Chairman of the Executive Committee, reported that the Committee had met the day before, April 6, and considered 14 regular items and 6 consent items. The Board took action as set forth below:

(Item 2)

# APPROVAL OF MINUTES SPECIAL MEETING HELD ON JANUARY 19, 1995 REGULAR MEETING HELD ON JANUARY 27, 1995 SPECIAL MEETING HELD ON FEBRUARY 27, 1995 SPECIAL MEETING HELD ON MARCH 3, 1995 BOARD OF REGENTS

On motion of Mr. O'Connor, seconded by Mr. Powell and by a unanimous vote, the following minute order was adopted:

The Minutes of the Special Meeting of the Board of Regents of The Texas A&M University System held in Corpus Christi, Texas, on January 19, 1995, are hereby approved.

The Minutes of the Regular Meeting of the Board of Regents of The Texas A&M University System held in College Station, Texas, on January 27, 1995, are hereby approved.

The Minutes of the Special Meeting of the Board of Regents of The Texas A&M University System held in Austin, Texas, on February 27, 1995, are hereby approved.

The Minutes of the Special Meeting of the Board of Regents of The Texas A&M University System held in College Station, Texas, on March 3, 1995, are hereby approved.

**55-95** (*Item 3*)

# ADOPTION OF RESOLUTION IN APPRECIATION OF THE DEDICATED SERVICE OF DR. VERNON E. SCHNEIDER TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY

On motion of Mr. O'Connor, seconded by Mr. Powell and by a unanimous vote, the following minute order was adopted:

Whereas, Dr. Vernon E. Schneider served the Department of Agricultural Economics and Texas A&M University as a teacher, researcher, leader in agribusiness and friend for 21 years; and

Whereas, during the years 1973 to 1980 as the Roy B. Davis Distinguished Professor of Agricultural Cooperation and thereafter, as Distinguished Professor of Agribusiness, Dr. Schneider inspired countless numbers of students through his diligence, enthusiasm, generosity, warmth, compassion and devotion to excellence; and

Whereas, this devotion led Dr. Schneider to generously give of his time and resources to initiate the Agribusiness and Public Affairs Field Study Trip to expose students to the agribusiness world and its leaders, which continued for over twenty years, taking hundreds of students, Aggies, throughout the United States and foreign nations; and

Whereas, his abiding interest and concern for his students earned him the Education Innovator Award and the Outstanding Professor Award in the College of Agriculture and Life Sciences; and

Whereas, Vern, as he was known by his many friends, was a man of vision with the ability to convert those visions into reality; and

Whereas, Vern's dream of an international organization of agribusiness leaders from the private and public sectors lives on as the International Agribusiness Management Association (IAMA), which he founded and nurtured as Secretary-Treasurer and Executive Director; and

Whereas, his relentless efforts pursuing and fulfilling this dream were recognized by the Graduate School of Business at Harvard University through the presentation of the IAMA Founder's Award; and

Whereas, because of these relentless efforts and incomparable leadership in converting his vision into reality, Vern was selected by his peers to lead IAMA as President in 1994; and

Whereas, along with his countless hours devoted to students and IAMA, this generous man committed the time and energy to serve in many professional organizations and to serve his community on the College Station City Council; and

Whereas, Vern will be remembered for his dedication to his students, for his accomplishments in his profession, and for his service to the agribusiness industry, his church and his community; but most notably, he will be remembered for his warm, comforting smile; now, therefore be it

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Resolved, that the Board of Regents of The Texas A&M University System expresses its appreciation for Dr. Vernon E. Schneider's dedicated service to Texas A&M University and its sorrow at his passing; and, be it further

Resolved, that this resolution be spread upon the minutes and official copies thereof be signed by the Chairman of the Board of Regents and be presented to the family of Vernon E. Schneider and to the Archives of Texas A&M University as a permanent mark of this Board's appreciation and gratitude for his remarkable leadership, outstanding achievements, enthusiasm and dedication to The Texas A&M University System.

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(*Item 6*)

# APPOINTMENT OF MS. KAREN BRISCOE BOWMAN TO THE BOARD OF VISITORS OF TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY AT GALVESTON

On motion of Mr. O'Connor, seconded by Mr. Powell and by a unanimous vote, the following minute order was adopted:

Effective immediately, Ms. Karen Briscoe Bowman's appointment to the Board of Visitors of Texas A&M University at Galveston is hereby approved by the Board of Regents of The Texas A&M University System for a three-year term.

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(*Item 7*)

## APPOINTMENT OF MR. MAYO J. THOMPSON TO THE BOARD OF VISITORS OF TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY AT GALVESTON

On motion of Mr. O'Connor, seconded by Mr. Powell and by a unanimous vote, the following minute order was adopted:

Effective immediately, Mr. Mayo J. Thompson's appointment to the Board of Visitors of Texas A&M University at Galveston is hereby approved by the Board of Regents of The Texas A&M University System for a three-year term.

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(Item 8)

# APPOINTMENT OF MR. BUCK J. WYNNE TO THE BOARD OF VISITORS OF TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY AT GALVESTON

On motion of Mr. O'Connor, seconded by Mr. Powell and by a unanimous vote, the following minute order was adopted:

Effective immediately, Mr. Buck J. Wynne's appointment to the Board of Visitors of Texas A&M University at Galveston is hereby approved by the Board of Regents of The Texas A&M University System for a three-year term.

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(Item 46)

## ELECTION OF ROBERT H. ALLEN TO THE TEXAS GROWTH FUND BOARD

On motion of Mr. O'Connor, seconded by Mr. Powell and by a unanimous vote, the following minute order was adopted:

Mr. Robert H. Allen is hereby elected as a member of the Board of Trustees of the Texas Growth Fund for a term expiring upon the reorganization of the Board of Regents of The Texas A&M University System in 1997. Should a vacancy occur for any reason, the Chairman of the Board of Regents of The Texas A&M University System is authorized to select a member of the Board of Regents to serve on the Board of Trustees of the Texas Growth Fund until such time as a replacement is elected.

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(*Item 47*)

# APPOINTMENT OF MR. T. MICHAEL O'CONNOR TO THE BOARD FOR LEASE OF UNIVERSITY LANDS

On motion of Mr. O'Connor, seconded by Mr. Powell and by a unanimous vote, the following minute order was adopted:

Mr. T. Michael O'Connor is hereby appointed as a member of the Board for Lease of University Lands for a term expiring February 1, 1997. If a regent member of the Board for Lease of University Lands is unable to attend any meeting of that board, the Chairman of the Board of Regents of The Texas A&M University System shall appoint another member of the Board of Regents as a substitute member of the Board for Lease of University Lands to attend the meeting that the regular regent member is unable to attend. **61-95** (*Item 48*)

# ADOPTION OF RESOLUTION TO EXPRESS APPRECIATION AND TO BESTOW THE TITLE OF REGENT EMERITUS UPON MR. BILL W. CLAYTON BOARD OF REGENTS

On motion of Mr. O'Connor, seconded by Mr. Powell and by a unanimous vote, the following minute order was adopted:

Whereas, Mr. Bill W. Clayton, who was born in Olney, Texas, and grew up on the family farm in Springlake, received a bachelor of science degree in agricultural economics from Texas A&M University in 1950 and a master of business administration degree from the University of Texas in 1992; and

Whereas, in 1962 he began a distinguished political career of 20 years in the Texas House of Representatives, where he remained until 1983, serving an unprecedented four terms as speaker of that body; and

Whereas, Mr. Clayton also took an active leadership role in national government organizations, serving as chairman of both the Southern Legislative Conference and the Council of State Governments and as president of the Interstate Conference on Water Problems and the Southern Speakers Conference and as a board member of the National Conference of State Legislators; and

Whereas, he was named a Distinguished Alumnus of Texas A&M in 1979 and was elected president of the Texas A&M University Association of Former Students in 1988; and

Whereas, he further showed his dedication to Texas A&M in 1983 by giving the Sterling C. Evans Library the papers and documents assembled during his 20 years of public service; and

Whereas, he also has received many other distinguished service awards and honorary titles, including Distinguished Service to the People of Texas and honorary doctor of laws degrees from Texas Wesleyan and Texas Tech Universities; and

Whereas, Mr. Clayton currently is president of Capital Consultants, a political and business consulting firm in Austin, while he continues to maintain farming interests and his residence in Springlake; and

Whereas, since his appointment to the Board of Regents by Governor Bill Clements in 1989, Mr. Clayton has served as Chairman of the Committee for Academic Campuses, the Legislative Committee and the Name Selection Committee, Vice Chairman of the Committee for Land and Mineral Resources and a member of the Executive Committee, the Committee for Service Units, the System Policies Committee, the Finance and Audit Committee, the Committee for Strategic Objectives and Long-Range Planning, the Athletic Committee, the Field of Honor Committee, the Committee on the TAMU Bonfire, the Committee on Art and the Corps Enhancement Committee; and

#### (61-95 continued)

Whereas, he also served as special liaison to the Texas A&M University Development Foundation, West Texas State University, the Executive Committee of the Panhandle Plains Historical Museum, and the Board for Lease of University Lands; and

Whereas, Mr. Clayton served with the utmost diligence during a period of growth and progress for The Texas A&M University System; now therefore be it

Resolved, that we the members of the Board of Regents of The Texas A&M University System, meeting on this 7th day of April 1995, express our deepest appreciation to Mr. Clayton for his distinguished service to this Board and his unswerving commitment to The Texas A&M University System; and be it further

Resolved, that in honor of his service to this Board, we bestow the title of Regent Emeritus of the Board of Regents of The Texas A&M University System, with all the rights and privileges pertaining thereto, on Mr. Bill W. Clayton; and be it further

Resolved, that this resolution be spread upon the minutes, and copies thereof, signed by the Chairman of the Board of Regents, be presented to Mr. Clayton, to the Archives of Texas A&M University and to the Association of Former Students as a permanent mark of the high esteem in which he is held by the Board of Regents of The Texas A&M University System.

#### 62-95

(*Item 49*)

# ADOPTION OF RESOLUTION TO EXPRESS APPRECIATION AND TO BESTOW THE TITLE OF VICE CHAIRMAN EMERITUS UPON MR. RAUL B. FERNANDEZ BOARD OF REGENTS

On motion of Mr. O'Connor, seconded by Mr. Powell and by a unanimous vote, the following minute order was adopted:

Whereas, Mr. Raul B. Fernandez, a native of Laredo, received a bachelor of science degree in civil engineering from Texas A&M University in 1959 and then served as a captain in the U.S. Army Artillery; and

Whereas, Mr. Fernandez, formerly senior vice president of J. H. Uptmore & Associates, Inc., builders and developers, is president of RBF Group, Inc., a property management and construction company in San Antonio; and

Whereas, his many civic activities include five terms as president and eighteen years as a trustee of the Northside Independent School District, whose Board of Trustees named the Raul B. Fernandez Elementary School in San Antonio in his honor; and

Whereas, he also is a member of the Boards of Directors of the Texas Association of Builders, of the National Association of Home Builders and the San Antonio Medical Foundation and is past president of the Greater San Antonio Builders Association and 1989 Builder of the Year; and

(62-95 continued)

Whereas, he has served Texas A&M University as president of the Association of Former Students and as chairman of the Corps of Cadets Development Council; and

Whereas, Mr. Fernandez, who was appointed to the Board of Regents of The Texas A&M University System by Governor William P. Clements, Jr., in 1989, served as Vice Chairman of the Board and the Executive Committee and Chairman of the Facilities Planning and Building Committee and was a member of the Committee for Academic Campuses and special liaison to Texas A&M International University, Texas A&M's Association of Former Students and the Texas Growth Fund Board; and

Whereas, he also chaired the Committee for Strategic Objectives and Long-Range Planning and served on the Finance and Audit Committee, the Field of Honor Committee, the Name Selection Committee, the Committee on the TAMU Bonfire, the Audit Committee, and the System Policies Committee; and

Whereas, he served with the utmost diligence on the Board of Regents during a period of growth and progress for The Texas A&M University System; now therefore be it

Resolved, that we the members of the Board of Regents of The Texas A&M University System, meeting on this 7th day of April 1995, express our deepest appreciation to Mr. Fernandez for his distinguished service to this Board and his unswerving commitment to The Texas A&M University System; and be it further

Resolved, that in honor of his service to this Board, we bestow the title of Vice Chairman Emeritus of the Board of Regents of The Texas A&M University System, with all the rights and privileges pertaining thereto, on Mr. Raul B. Fernandez; and be it further

Resolved, that this resolution be spread upon the minutes, and copies thereof, signed by the Chairman of the Board of Regents, be presented to Mr. Fernandez, to the Archives of Texas A&M University and to the Association of Former Students as a permanent mark of the high esteem in which he is held by the Board of Regents of The Texas A&M University System.

#### 63-95

(*Item 50*)

#### ADOPTION OF RESOLUTION TO EXPRESS APPRECIATION AND TO BESTOW THE TITLE OF REGENT EMERITUS UPON MR. GERALD J. FORD BOARD OF REGENTS

On motion of Mr. O'Connor, seconded by Mr. Powell and by a unanimous vote, the following minute order was adopted:

Whereas, Mr. Gerald J. Ford, an exemplary product of the Texas education system, prepared himself thoroughly and diligently for future state leadership, earning a bachelor's degree in economics from Southern Methodist University, a law degree from the SMU School of Law and admission to the State Bar of Texas; and

## (63-95 continued)

Whereas, he entered and successfully competed in the business world, rising to senior leadership positions as chairman of the board and owner of Madison Financial, Inc., chairman of

the board of Millennium Mortgage Company and Madison Realty Advisors, Inc., and as a director of Norwest Corporation and Affiliated Computer Systems, Inc.; and

Whereas, he has freely given of his time and talents to help build a better community, serving on the boards of numerous civic and community organizations, including the Dallas Citizens' Council, the Dallas Boys and Girls Clubs and the Children's Medical Foundation of Dallas; and

Whereas, Mr. Ford has consistently championed the cause of higher education in the State of Texas and beyond, serving on the boards of five institutions of higher learning; and

Whereas, since his appointment to the Board of Regents of The Texas A&M University System by Governor Ann Richards in 1994, Mr. Ford has served as chairman of the Task Force for Board Operations, as a member of the Finance and Audit Committee, the Committee for Land and Mineral Resources, the Facilities Planning and Building Committee, and as special liaison to Tarleton State University; and

Whereas, Mr. Ford voluntarily and forthrightly served this great university system in a period of growth and progress, unfailingly lending his wise counsel and management acumen to its senior leadership, thus ensuring the System remained a major force in higher education; now therefore be it

Resolved, that we the members of the Board of Regents of The Texas A&M University System, meeting this 7th day of April 1995, express our deepest appreciation to Mr. Ford for his distinguished service to this Board and his unswerving commitment to The Texas A&M University System; and be it further

Resolved, that in honor of his service to this Board, we bestow the title of Regent Emeritus of the Board of Regents of The Texas A&M University System, with all the rights and privileges pertaining thereto, on Mr. Gerald J. Ford; and be it further

Resolved, that this resolution be spread upon the minutes, and copies thereof, signed by the Chairman of the Board of Regents, be presented to Mr. Ford, to the Archives of Texas A&M University and to the Association of Former Students as a permanent mark of the high esteem in which he is held by the Board of Regents of The Texas A&M University System.

**64-95** (*Item 51*)

# AUTHORIZATION TO AWARD AN HONORARY DOCTOR OF SCIENCE DEGREE TO STEPHEN J. LIPPARD TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY

On motion of Mr. O'Connor, seconded by Mr. Powell and by a unanimous vote, the following minute order was adopted:

Texas A&M University is authorized to award an honorary Doctor of Science degree to Stephen J. Lippard.

## 65-95

(*Item 52*)

# AUTHORIZATION TO AWARD AN HONORARY DOCTOR OF SCIENCE DEGREE TO JACK S. KILBY TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY

On motion of Mr. O'Connor, seconded by Mr. Powell and by a unanimous vote, the following minute order was adopted:

Texas A&M University is authorized to award an honorary Doctor of Science degree to Jack S. Kilby.

#### 66-95

(Item 53)

# AUTHORIZATION TO AWARD AN HONORARY DEGREE TO MRS. MARY HAAS TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY-CORPUS CHRISTI

On motion of Mr. O'Connor, seconded by Mr. Powell and by a unanimous vote, the following minute order was adopted:

Texas A&M University-Corpus Christi is authorized to award an honorary degree to Mrs. Mary Haas.

## **67-95** (Item 38) (Consent Item)

# GRANTING OF THE TITLE OF EMERITUS UPON MR. WILLIAM H. ALDRED TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY

On motion of Mr. O'Connor, seconded by Mr. Powell and by a unanimous vote, the following minute order was adopted:

In recognition of his long and distinguished service to Texas A&M University, the title of Associate Professor Emeritus, Agricultural Engineering, is conferred upon Mr. William H. Aldred and he is granted all rights and privileges of this title effective April 1, 1995.

## 68-95

(Item 38) (Consent Item)

## GRANTING OF THE TITLE OF EMERITUS UPON DR. DONALD E. FARRIS TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY

On motion of Mr. O'Connor, seconded by Mr. Powell and by a unanimous vote, the following minute order was adopted:

In recognition of his long and distinguished service to Texas A&M University, the title of Professor Emeritus, Agricultural Economics, is conferred upon Dr. Donald E. Farris and he is granted all rights and privileges of this title effective March 24, 1995.

#### 69-95

(Item 38) (Consent Item)

## GRANTING OF THE TITLE OF EMERITUS UPON DR. RALPH L. HANNA TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY

On motion of Mr. O'Connor, seconded by Mr. Powell and by a unanimous vote, the following minute order was adopted:

In recognition of his long and distinguished service to Texas A&M University, the title of Professor Emeritus, Entomology, is conferred upon Dr. Ralph L. Hanna and he is granted all rights and privileges of this title effective April 1, 1995.

# **70-95** (Item 38) (Consent Item)

# GRANTING OF THE TITLE OF EMERITUS UPON DR. FREDERICK R. MILLER TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY

On motion of Mr. O'Connor, seconded by Mr. Powell and by a unanimous vote, the following minute order was adopted:

In recognition of his long and distinguished service to Texas A&M University, the title of Professor Emeritus, Soil and Crop Sciences, is conferred upon Dr. Frederick R. Miller and he is granted all rights and privileges of this title effective March 24, 1995.

#### 71-95

(Item 38) (Consent Item)

# GRANTING OF THE TITLE OF EMERITUS POSTHUMOUSLY UPON DR. VERNON E. SCHNEIDER TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY

On motion of Mr. O'Connor, seconded by Mr. Powell and by a unanimous vote, the following minute order was adopted:

In recognition of his long and distinguished service to Texas A&M University, the title of Professor Emeritus, Agricultural Economics, is conferred posthumously upon Dr. Vernon E. Schneider, with all the honor of this recognition accorded to Dr. Schneider's memory.

## 72-95

(Item 38) (Consent Item)

# GRANTING OF THE TITLE OF EMERITUS UPON DR. MILTON W. WELLER TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY

On motion of Mr. O'Connor, seconded by Mr. Powell and by a unanimous vote, the following minute order was adopted:

In recognition of his long and distinguished service to Texas A&M University, the title of Professor Emeritus, Wildlife and Fisheries Sciences, is conferred upon Dr. Milton W. Weller and he is granted all rights and privileges of this title effective March 24, 1995.

# **73-95** (Item 38) (Consent Item)

# GRANTING OF THE TITLE OF EMERITUS UPON MR. ROY C. PLEDGER TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY

On motion of Mr. O'Connor, seconded by Mr. Powell and by a unanimous vote, the following minute order was adopted:

In recognition of his long and distinguished service to Texas A&M University, the title of Associate Professor Emeritus, Architecture, is conferred upon Mr. Roy C. Pledger and he is granted all rights and privileges of this title effective September 1, 1995.

#### 74-95

(Item 38) (Consent Item)

## GRANTING OF THE TITLE OF EMERITUS UPON MR. JOHN W. WALKER TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY

On motion of Mr. O'Connor, seconded by Mr. Powell and by a unanimous vote, the following minute order was adopted:

In recognition of his long and distinguished service to Texas A&M University, the title of Professor Emeritus, Architecture, is conferred upon Mr. John W. Walker and he is granted all rights and privileges of this title effective September 1, 1995.

#### 75-95

(Item 38) (Consent Item)

## GRANTING OF THE TITLE OF EMERITA UPON DR. IRENE B. HOADLEY TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY

On motion of Mr. O'Connor, seconded by Mr. Powell and by a unanimous vote, the following minute order was adopted:

In recognition of her long and distinguished service to Texas A&M University, the title of Professor and Director Emerita, Evans Library, is conferred upon Dr. Irene B. Hoadley and she is granted all rights and privileges of this title effective March 24, 1995.

# **76-95** (*Item 39*) (*Consent Item*)

# GRANTING OF THE TITLE OF EMERITUS UPON DR. DERL L. BROOKS WEST TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY

On motion of Mr. O'Connor, seconded by Mr. Powell and by a unanimous vote, the following minute order was adopted:

In recognition of his long and distinguished service to West Texas A&M University, the title of Professor Emeritus, Biology, is conferred upon Dr. Derl L. Brooks and he is granted all rights and privileges of this title effective March 24, 1995.

#### 77-95

(Item 39) (Consent Item)

## GRANTING OF THE TITLE OF EMERITUS UPON DR. LEONARD W. WILSON WEST TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY

On motion of Mr. O'Connor, seconded by Mr. Powell and by a unanimous vote, the following minute order was adopted:

In recognition of his long and distinguished service to West Texas A&M University, the title of Professor Emeritus, Plant Science, is conferred upon Dr. Leonard W. Wilson and he is granted all rights and privileges of this title effective March 24, 1995.

#### 78-95

(Item 39) (Consent Item)

# GRANTING OF THE TITLE OF EMERITUS UPON DR. DUANE F. GUY WEST TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY

On motion of Mr. O'Connor, seconded by Mr. Powell and by a unanimous vote, the following minute order was adopted:

In recognition of his long and distinguished service to West Texas A&M University, the title of Professor Emeritus, History, is conferred upon Dr. Duane F. Guy and he is granted all rights and privileges of this title effective March 24, 1995.

# **79-95** (Item 39) (Consent Item)

# GRANTING OF THE TITLE OF EMERITUS UPON DR. CHARLES R. TOWNSEND WEST TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY

On motion of Mr. O'Connor, seconded by Mr. Powell and by a unanimous vote, the following minute order was adopted:

In recognition of his long and distinguished service to West Texas A&M University, the title of Professor Emeritus, History, is conferred upon Dr. Charles R. Townsend and he is granted all rights and privileges of this title effective March 24, 1995.

#### 80-95

(Item 39) (Consent Item)

## GRANTING OF THE TITLE OF EMERITUS UPON MR. CLARK E. WOOLDRIDGE WEST TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY

On motion of Mr. O'Connor, seconded by Mr. Powell and by a unanimous vote, the following minute order was adopted:

In recognition of his long and distinguished service to West Texas A&M University, the title of Professor Emeritus, Social Work, is conferred upon Mr. Clark E. Wooldridge and he is granted all rights and privileges of this title effective March 24, 1995.

#### 81-95

(Item 40) (Consent Item)

# GRANTING OF THE TITLE OF EMERITA UPON MARY SUE BROWN TEXAS AGRICULTURAL EXTENSION SERVICE

On motion of Mr. O'Connor, seconded by Mr. Powell and by a unanimous vote, the following minute order was adopted:

In recognition of her long and distinguished service to the Texas Agricultural Extension Service, the title of District Extension Director Emerita is conferred upon Mary Sue Brown, and she is granted all rights and privileges of this title, effective March 24, 1995.

## **82-95** (*Item 40*) (*Consent Item*)

# GRANTING OF THE TITLE OF EMERITUS UPON D. LANCE (LANNY) BULLARD TEXAS AGRICULTURAL EXTENSION SERVICE

On motion of Mr. O'Connor, seconded by Mr. Powell and by a unanimous vote, the following minute order was adopted:

In recognition of his long and distinguished service to the Texas Agricultural Extension Service, the title of Professor and Extension Specialist Emeritus is conferred upon D. Lance (Lanny) Bullard and he is granted all rights and privileges of this title, effective March 24, 1995.

#### 83-95

(Item 40) (Consent Item)

## GRANTING OF THE TITLE OF EMERITUS UPON E. LYNN COPELAND TEXAS AGRICULTURAL EXTENSION SERVICE

On motion of Mr. O'Connor, seconded by Mr. Powell and by a unanimous vote, the following minute order was adopted:

In recognition of his long and distinguished service to the Texas Agricultural Extension Service, the title of Associate Professor and Extension Specialist Emeritus is conferred upon E. Lynn Copeland, and he is granted all rights and privileges of this title, effective March 24, 1995.

## 84-95

(Item 41) (Consent Item)

## CONFIRMATION OF APPOINTMENTS AND PROMOTIONS THE TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY SYSTEM

On motion of Mr. O'Connor, seconded by Mr. Powell and by a unanimous vote, the following minute order was adopted:

The appointments and promotions made by the Chief Executive Officers of the respective Components of The Texas A&M University System, as shown on Appointment List No. 94-95-04, attached to the official minutes as **Exhibit A**, and Promotion List No. 94-95-04, attached to the official minutes as **Exhibit B**, are hereby confirmed.

# **85-95** (Item 42) (Consent Item)

# CONFIRMATION OF TERMINATIONS OF EMPLOYMENT THE TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY SYSTEM

On motion of Mr. O'Connor, seconded by Mr. Powell and by a unanimous vote, the following minute order was adopted:

The terminations of employment accepted and approved by the Chief Executive Officers of the respective Components of The Texas A&M University System, or their designees, as shown on Terminations of Employment List No. 94-95-04, attached to the official minutes as **Exhibit C**, are hereby confirmed.

#### 86-95

(Item 43) (Consent Item)

## APPROVAL OF RECOMMENDATIONS FOR ACADEMIC TENURE THE TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY SYSTEM

On motion of Mr. O'Connor, seconded by Mr. Powell and by a unanimous vote, the following minute order was adopted:

The Board of Regents of The Texas A&M University System, in accordance with the policies for academic freedom, responsibility and tenure adopted by the Board of Regents on July 22, 1986, hereby authorizes the granting of tenure to the following faculty members, as set forth on Tenure List 94-95-04, attached to the official minutes as **Exhibit D**.

Ms. West called for a motion to name three streets at the Riverside Campus which was presented the day before by Dr. Ray Bowen, President of Texas A&M University (Item 5). The Board took action as set forth below:

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#### 87-95

(*Item 5*)

# NAMING OF STIRLING DRIVE, MAYER AVENUE AND PROJECT DRIVE OCCUPATIONAL AND ENVIRONMENTAL SAFETY TRAINING FIELD RIVERSIDE CAMPUS, TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY

On motion of Ms. Brisco, seconded by Mr. Allen and by a unanimous vote the following minute order was adopted:

Stirling Drive is hereby named in honor of Albert Stirling, who retired as Division Head of the Occupational and Environmental Safety (OES) Training Field after sixteen years of service to the Texas Engineering Extension Service.

#### (87-95 continued)

Mayer Avenue is hereby named in honor of the late Larry Mayer, who was an OES instructor and a ten-year employee of the Texas Engineering Extension Service.

Project Drive is hereby named to reflect the area served at the OES Training Field.

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The map attached to the official minutes as **Exhibit E**, shows the location of the roadways named above.

Ms. West then asked Dr. Hiler to introduce members of the Schneider family who were present. Dr. Hiler said the Board had passed a resolution in honor of Distinguished Professor Vernon Schneider who had passed away last fall. Dr. Hiler said he was very pleased to have Dr. Schneider's family present. He said Vernon Schneider would be remembered as an outstanding teacher, outstanding mentor of students, innovator in agribusiness curriculum development, and a leader in furthering international agricultural relations. Dr. Hiler introduced Dr. Schneider's wife, Nancy, and their four sons and respective families. Ms. West then presented a framed resolution to Mrs. Schneider. Ms. West said the Board very much appreciated Dr. Schneider and was very sorry for the family's loss.

Ms. West called on Mr. Lindsey for the report of the Facilities Planning and Building Committee.

#### **REPORT OF THE FACILITIES PLANNING AND BUILDING COMMITTEE**

Mr. Lindsey, Vice Chairman of the Facilities Planning and Building Committee, reported that the Committee held a meeting the day before, April 6. He said the Committee recommended that the proposed minute orders contained in Items 1-A through 1-E and 1-G through 1-J, in the Facilities Planning and Building agenda book be approved. He said Item 1-F was withdrawn. Mr. Lindsey said this included Consent Items 36 and 37. The Board took action as set forth below:

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**88-95** (Item 1-A) (Revised)

# ACTION ON BIDS FOR MOVABLE FURNISHINGS FOR THE CAMPUS FACILITIES, PHASE I TEXAS A&M INTERNATIONAL UNIVERSITY

On motion of Ms. Rangel, seconded by Mr. McClure and by a unanimous vote, the following minute order was adopted:

### (88-95 continued)

Based on bids received March 7, 1995, contracts are awarded for movable furnishings for the Campus Facilities, Phase I, at Texas A&M International University as follows: Sections I, II and IV to Educational and Institutional Cooperative Services, Inc., of Dallas, Texas, at \$1,328,690.96; Section IIIA to Interior Products/Associates of Austin, Texas, at \$233,322.56; Sections IIIB and VI to Jones Office Supply of McAllen, Texas, at \$344.090.77; Section V to Vanguard Environments, Inc., of Houston, Texas, at \$75,355.40; Section VII to Texas Spacesaver Systems Inc. of Houston, Texas, at \$29,920.00; Section VIII to Hausmann & Hausmann of San Antonio, Texas, at \$277,517.00; Section IX to G&S Office Supply, Inc. of Laredo, Texas, at \$167,383.04; and Section X to Libra-Tech Corporation of Argyle, Texas, at \$349,623.00.

Funds for these movable furnishings were provided by M/O 354-93.

### 89-95

(*Item 1-B*)

# **ACTION ON BIDS FOR THE** UNIVERSITY SERVICES CENTER **TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY-CORPUS CHRISTI**

On motion of Ms. Rangel, seconded by Mr. McClure and by a unanimous vote, the following minute order was adopted:

All bids received February 23, 1995, for the University Services Center at Texas A&M University-Corpus Christi are rejected. This project will be redesigned and rebid.

### 90-95

(*Item 1-C*)

# **AUTHORIZATION FOR THE CHANCELLOR TO TAKE** ACTION ON BIDS FOR THE EARLY CHILDHOOD CENTER **TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY-CORPUS CHRISTI**

On motion of Ms. Rangel, seconded by Mr. McClure and by a unanimous vote, the following minute order was adopted:

The Chancellor is hereby delegated authority to award contract(s) to the lowest responsible bidder(s); to appropriate funds; and to do any and all things necessary within funds available to accomplish the Early Childhood Center at Texas A&M University-Corpus Christi.

### 91-95

(*Item 1-D*)

### **INITIATION OF A STUDENT RECREATIONAL PARK PRAIRIE VIEW A&M UNIVERSITY**

On motion of Ms. Rangel, seconded by Mr. McClure and by a unanimous vote, the following minute order was adopted:

The following project is approved for initiation and the preparation of documents as indicated:

# (91-95 continued)

Student Recreational Park

Programmed Amount: \$500,000.00 with proposed funding from Student Services Fee, General Use Fee and Revenue Financing System

Design by: A/E to be selected

Project Management and Contract Administration by: Prairie View A&M University

The amount of \$49,000.00 has been appropriated by approval of the operating budget for preparation of a program of requirements, a site survey and related project development costs.

The Board of Regents of The Texas A&M University System reasonably expects to incur debt in one or more obligations for this project, and all or a portion of the proceeds received from the sale of such obligations are reasonably expected to be used to reimburse the account(s) for the amounts previously appropriated and/or expended from such account(s).

### 92-95

(*Item 1-E*)

# INITIATION OF THE FORT CROCKETT FACILITY RENOVATION TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY AT GALVESTON

On motion of Ms. Rangel, seconded by Mr. McClure and by a unanimous vote, the following minute order was adopted:

The following project is approved for initiation and the preparation of documents as indicated:

### Fort Crockett Facility Renovation

Programmed Amount: \$810,000.00 with proposed funding from Permanent University Fund Commercial Paper

Design by: A/E to be selected

Project Management and Contract Administration by: Texas A&M University at Galveston Physical Plant

The amount of \$10,000.00 is appropriated from Account No. 01-083544 Unappropriated Plant Funds-Permanent University Fund Commercial Paper for preparation of a program of requirements and related project development costs.

The Board of Regents of The Texas A&M University System reasonably expects to incur debt in one or more obligations for this project, and all or a portion of the proceeds received from the sale of such obligations are reasonably expected to be used to reimburse the account(s) for amounts previously appropriated and/or expended from such account(s). **93-95** (*Item 1-G*)

# ACTION ON BIDS FOR MOVABLE FURNISHINGS FOR THE RECREATIONAL SPORTS BUILDING AND NATATORIUM TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY

On motion of Ms. Rangel, seconded by Mr. McClure and by a unanimous vote, the following minute order was adopted:

Based on bids received February 28, 1995, contracts are awarded for movable furnishings for the Recreational Sports Building and Natatorium at Texas A&M University as follows: Section I to Educational and Institutional Cooperative Services, Inc., of Dallas, Texas, at \$184,178.96; Sections II, III and VII to Vanguard Environments, Inc. of Houston, Texas, at \$173,570.82; Section IV, V and IX to Texas Office Supply of Corpus Christi, Texas, at \$231,528.29; Section VI to Jones Office Supply of McAllen, Texas, at \$63,569.70; Section VIII to Interior System & Installation, Inc., of Houston, Texas, at \$20,218.78 and Section X to Hoover Brothers Inc., of Dallas, Texas, at \$42,800.00.

Funds for these movable furnishings were provided by M/O 11-93.

**94-95** (Item 1-H)

### ACTION ON BIDS FOR EASTERWOOD AIRPORT SEAL COATING TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY

On motion of Ms. Rangel, seconded by Mr. McClure and by a unanimous vote, the following minute order was adopted:

Based on bids received February 16, 1995, the contract is awarded to Kinsel Industries, Inc. of Houston, Texas, at \$372,849.03 the low bid for Easterwood Airport Seal Coating at Texas A&M University.

Supplementing previous appropriations of \$237,000.00, the amount of \$460,000.00 is appropriated from Account 02-450003 Reserve for Airport Expansion - Government Entities for the Easterwood Airport Seal Coating at Texas A&M University.

Any funds received from Federal Aviation Administration Grants for this work are hereby appropriated and like amounts of previous appropriations are reverted to the Reserve for Airport Expansion - Government Entities. **95-95** (Item 1-I)

# GRANTING OF EASEMENTS TO THE TEXAS DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION FOR THE WIDENING OF TEXAS AVENUE TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY

On motion of Ms. Rangel, seconded by Mr. McClure and by a unanimous vote, the following minute order was adopted:

The Chancellor of The Texas A&M University System is authorized to execute any and all documents required to grant a right-of-way easement to the Texas Department of Transportation for the widening of Texas Avenue from University Drive to George Bush Drive and a temporary right-of-way easement for the construction of a pedestrian walkway and storm water drainage structures at Texas A&M University. The traffic control box at the intersection of University Drive and Texas Avenue will be relocated to a site as agreed to by the University.

#### 96-95

(*Item 1-J*)

# CANCELLATION OF THE SUPPORT SERVICES BUILDING PROJECT TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY

On motion of Ms. Rangel, seconded by Mr. McClure and by a unanimous vote, the following minute order was adopted:

The Support Services Building project at Texas A&M University is hereby canceled.

#### 97-95

(Item 36) (Consent Item)

# REPORT OF CONSTRUCTION CONTRACT ACTIONS BY THE CHANCELLOR AND CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICERS THE TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY SYSTEM

On motion of Ms. Rangel, seconded by Mr. McClure and by a unanimous vote, the following minute order was adopted:

The following report of construction contract actions by the Chancellor and Chief Executive Officers is hereby accepted:

MemberProjectAmountContractor and DescriptionAwarded by Chief Executive Officers:TAMU-K941101\$49,482.00T & B Electric of Alice, Texas, Electrical<br/>Improvements to the Conner Museum

# 98-95 (Item 37) (Consent Item) REPORT OF APPROPRIATIONS BY THE CHANCELLOR

# THE TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY SYSTEM

On motion of Ms. Rangel, seconded by Mr. McClure and by a unanimous vote, the following minute order was adopted:

The following report of appropriations by the Chancellor is hereby accepted:

Member and <u>Project Numl</u>	per Amount	Project Name and Source of Funds	
Construction Projects:			
TAMU 1-0571	\$ 15,700.00	YMCA Building Renovation General Fee Revenue Fund	
TAMU 1-2746	\$ 19,000.00	Easterwood Airport Storm Drainage Renovation, Phase I Easterwood Airport Operations Special Reserve	
TAMU 1-0681	\$350,000.00	Blocker and Harrington Buildings Modifications General Fee Revenue Fund	
TAMUG 10-0006	\$200,000.00	Replace Swimming Pool Permanent University Fund Notes	
TAMUG 10-0008	\$ 95,200.00	Physical Education Facility Parking Lot Permanent University Fund Notes, Parking Fees, Building Use Fees	
TAMUG 10-0009	\$ 80,000.00	Master Plan Permanent University Fund Notes	
TAMUG 10-0010	\$ 46,141.00	Repair Boat Basin Piers Permanent University Fund Notes	
TAMU-CC 15-2739	\$ 33,000.00	Campus Infrastructure Project Revenue Financing System (Tuition Revenue)	

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Other Appropriations:

SAGO	\$125,000.00	Salary Transition Funding to TAMU
SAGO	\$ 50,000.00	Texas School/University Research Collaborative Special Mineral Income Fund 96

Ms. West called on Ms. Rangel for the report of the Committee for Academic Campuses.

### **REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE FOR ACADEMIC CAMPUSES**

Ms. Rangel, Vice Chairman of the Committee for Academic Campuses, said the Committee had met the day before, April 6, from 11:36 a.m. to 12:05 p.m. and received a report from Mr. Daniel Hernandez on the Access and Equity 2000 Plan and recommended approval of Item 9. The Board took action as set forth below:

### 99-95

(*Item 9*)

# APPROVAL OF EXECUTIVE SUMMARIES UNDER THE ACCESS AND EQUITY 2000 PLAN THE TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY SYSTEM

On motion of Ms. Rangel, seconded by Ms. Brisco and by a unanimous vote, the following minute order was adopted:

The Executive Summaries under the Access and Equity 2000 Plan covering the period December 1, 1994, to December 1, 2000, for the System Administrative and General Offices and all educational institutions of The Texas A&M University System, attached to the official minutes as **Exhibit F**, are hereby accepted. The Board fully supports the objectives of the Access and Equity 2000 Plan and encourages adherence to its principles.

Ms. West called on Mr. O'Connor for the report of the Committee for Service Units.

# **REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE FOR SERVICE UNITS**

Mr. O'Connor, Chairman of the Committee for Services Units, reported that the Committee met on Thursday, April 6, from 11:01 a.m. to 11:35 a.m. and received a report on "Top Quark" from Dr. Peter McIntyre. He said the Committee also considered Items 10 through 14 and recommends their approval. The Board took action as set forth below:

**100-95** (*Item 10*)

# AUTHORIZATION FOR LICENSE AGREEMENT WITH QED/ADVANCED RESEARCH TECHNOLOGIES FOR "MONOCLONAL ANTIBODIES AND GROWTH FACTORS" TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY

On motion of Mr. O'Connor, seconded by Mr. McClure and by a unanimous vote, the following minute order was adopted:

The Chancellor of The Texas A&M University System (TAMUS) is hereby authorized to execute a license agreement with QED/Advanced Research Technologies, a copy of which is attached to the official minutes as **Exhibit G**. The agreement provides for a nonexclusive license of TAMUS' proprietary interests in certain biological materials related to monoclonal antibodies and growth factors.

### 101-95

(Item 11)

### AUTHORIZATION FOR LICENSE AGREEMENT WITH DIAGXOTICS, INC. FOR "PROBES FOR NHP IN SHRIMP" TEXAS AGRICULTURAL EXPERIMENT STATION

On motion of Mr. O'Connor, seconded by Mr. McClure and by a unanimous vote, the following minute order was adopted:

The Chancellor of The Texas A&M University System (TAMUS) is hereby authorized to execute a license agreement with DiagXotics, Inc., a copy of which is attached to the official minutes as **Exhibit H**. The agreement provides for an exclusive license of TAMUS' proprietary interests in technology related to "Probes for NHP in Shrimp."

### 102-95

(*Item 12*)

# AUTHORIZATION FOR LICENSE AGREEMENT WITH ASGROW SEED COMPANY FOR "ASEXUAL PROPAGATION OF ONION LINES" TEXAS AGRICULTURAL EXPERIMENT STATION

On motion of Mr. O'Connor, seconded by Mr. McClure and by a unanimous vote, the following minute order was adopted:

The Chancellor of The Texas A&M University System (TAMUS) is hereby authorized to execute a license agreement with Asgrow Seed Company, a copy of which is attached to the official minutes as **Exhibit I**. The agreement provides for an exclusive license of TAMUS' proprietary interests in the technology described as "Asexual Propagation of Genetic-Cytoplasmic Male Sterile and/or Other Onion Lines."

**103-95** (*Item 13*)

# AUTHORIZATION TO ESTABLISH THE CENTER FOR THE STUDY OF DIGITAL LIBRARIES TEXAS ENGINEERING EXPERIMENT STATION

On motion of Mr. O'Connor, seconded by Mr. McClure and by a unanimous vote, the following minute order was adopted:

The Center for the Study of Digital Libraries is established as a center within the Texas Engineering Experiment Station (TEES) and will report administratively to the Director of TEES. The Director of the Center for the Study of Digital Libraries shall be appointed by the Director of the Texas Engineering Experiment Station.

### 104-95

(*Item 14*)

# AUTHORIZATION TO AMEND LICENSE AGREEMENT WITH FFPI INDUSTRIES, INC. FOR "OPTOELECTRONIC SIGNAL CONDITIONING UNIT FOR INTERFEROMETERS AND INTERFEROMETRIC SENSORS" TEXAS ENGINEERING EXPERIMENT STATION

On motion of Mr. O'Connor, seconded by Mr. McClure and by a unanimous vote, the following minute order was adopted:

The Chancellor of The Texas A&M University System (TAMUS) is hereby authorized to execute an amendment to the License Agreement of February 1, 1994, with FFPI Industries, Inc., a copy of which is attached to the official minutes as **Exhibit J**. The amendment provides for an exclusive license of TAMUS' proprietary interest in technology pertaining to an "Optoelectronic Signal Conditioning Unit for Interferometer and Interferometric Sensors."

Ms. West called on Ms. Brisco for the report of the Finance and Audit Committee.

### **REPORT OF THE FINANCE AND AUDIT COMMITTEE**

Ms. Brisco, Chairman of the Finance and Audit Committee, reported that the Committee had met on Thursday, April 6, and recommended approval of Items 16, 17, 19 through 29, 31 through 35 and Consent Items 44 and 45. Ms. Rangel asked that Item 29 be voted on separately. The Board took action as set forth below:

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(Item 16)

# APPROVAL OF INCREASED FEES EFFECTIVE FALL 1995 AT THE ACADEMIC INSTITUTIONS THE TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY SYSTEM

On motion of Ms. Brisco, seconded by Mr. O'Connor and by a unanimous vote, the following minute order was adopted:

The fee increase request for Academic Institutions of The Texas A&M University System, a copy of which is attached to the official minutes as **Exhibit K**, is approved to be effective with the Fall 1995 semester.

### 106-95

(Item 17)

### APPROVAL TO CHARGE AND COLLECT INTERNATIONAL EDUCATION FEE PRAIRIE VIEW A&M UNIVERSITY

On motion of Ms. Brisco, seconded by Mr. O'Connor and by a unanimous vote, the following minute order was adopted:

Prairie View A&M University is hereby authorized to charge and collect from each registered student each semester and summer session, a fee of \$1.00 termed the International Education Fee, thereby creating a financial aid fund to be deposited in the university's international education financial aid fund and administered in accordance with guidelines to be established jointly by the student fee advisory committee and the administration as required in Section 54.5132(c) of the Texas Education Code.

### 107-95

(Item 19)

### APPROVAL OF AGRICULTURAL FACILITIES FEE TARLETON STATE UNIVERSITY

On motion of Ms. Brisco, seconded by Mr. O'Connor and by a unanimous vote, the following minute order was adopted:

Effective for the Fall 1995 semester, all students at Tarleton State University who register for agriculture courses shall be required to pay an Agricultural Facilities Fee of \$6 per course. The revenue generated by this fee will be used by the College of Agriculture and Technology to provide agricultural facilities to support the agricultural degree programs and courses.

(Item 20)

# APPROVAL OF FIELD ASSIGNMENT FEE TARLETON STATE UNIVERSITY

On motion of Ms. Brisco, seconded by Mr. O'Connor and by a unanimous vote, the following minute order was adopted:

Effective for the Fall 1995 semester, all students at Tarleton State University who register for student teaching, internship, field placement, or cooperative education course shall be charged a Field Assignment Fee of \$50 per course. The revenue generated from the fee will be used for costs directly associated with these courses.

#### 109-95

(*Item 21*)

# APPROVAL OF SERVICE FEE FOR GIFTS TO TEXAS A&M INTERNATIONAL UNIVERSITY AND TEXAS A&M INTERNATIONAL UNIVERSITY FOUNDATION

On motion of Ms. Brisco, seconded by Mr. O'Connor and by a unanimous vote, the following minute order was adopted:

Texas A&M International University and Texas A&M International University Foundation will assess a five percent one-time fee on all gifts effective with the approval of this minute order. The five percent fee assessed on gifts which are made directly to the university will remain with the University. Texas A&M International University will use the proceeds to conduct additional campaigns, publications, purchase equipment and expand the development efforts. The five percent fee on gifts provided directly to the Foundation will remain with the Foundation. The Foundation will use the proceeds for general operations. Donors will be provided with a written agreement.

### 110-95

(*Item 22*)

# APPROVAL OF STUDENT PARKING PERMIT FEE TEXAS A&M INTERNATIONAL UNIVERSITY

On motion of Ms. Brisco, seconded by Mr. O'Connor and by a unanimous vote, the following minute order was adopted:

The Board of Regents hereby authorizes the President of Texas A&M International University to assess a parking permit fee to all students and employees at Texas A&M International University, under the authority of Section 54.505 of the <u>Texas Education Code</u>.

This fee will be assessed as follows:

\$10.00 per semester per student; \$5.00 per summer session per student for automobiles\$20.00 per faculty or staff member per year for automobiles\$5.00 per semester/summer session for motorcycle permit

(*Item 23*)

# APPROVAL OF STUDENT IDENTIFICATION CARD FEE TEXAS A&M INTERNATIONAL UNIVERSITY

On motion of Ms. Brisco, seconded by Mr. O'Connor and by a unanimous vote, the following minute order was adopted:

The Board of Regents hereby authorizes the President of Texas A&M International University to assess a Student Identification Card Fee to all students and employees at Texas A&M International University.

This fee will be assessed as follows:

The Student Identification Card Fee will be \$5.00 per semester.

# 112-95

(*Item 24*)

# APPROVAL OF STUDENT HEALTH FEE TEXAS A&M INTERNATIONAL UNIVERSITY

On motion of Ms. Brisco, seconded by Mr. O'Connor and by a unanimous vote, the following minute order was adopted:

The Board of Regents hereby authorizes the President of Texas A&M International University to assess a Student Health Fee to all students and employees at Texas A&M International University.

This fee will be assessed as follows:

The Student Health Fee will be \$25.00 per Fall or Spring and \$12.50 per summer session per student.

#### 113-95

(*Item 25*)

### APPROPRIATION FOR LIBRARIES INFRASTRUCTURE SUPPORT TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY

On motion of Ms. Brisco, seconded by Mr. O'Connor and by a unanimous vote, the following minute order was adopted:

The amount of \$1.9 million is hereby appropriated from Texas A&M Bookstore Special Reserve (Account #030033-2799) for the purpose of upgrading the technical infrastructure of the Texas A&M University Libraries. The allocation of these funds will further implement the reality of an electronic library for instructional and research purposes.

**114-95** (*Item 26*)

### APPROPRIATION FOR CLASSROOM TECHNOLOGY UPGRADES TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY

On motion of Ms. Brisco, seconded by Mr. O'Connor and by a unanimous vote, the following minute order was adopted:

The amount of \$250,000 is hereby appropriated from the Texas A&M University Bookstore Special Reserve (Account #030033-2799) for the purpose of upgrading the classroom technology which will provide a better and more flexible learning and teaching environment at Texas A&M University.

# 115-95

(Item 27)

### APPROVAL OF ARCHITECTURE EQUIPMENT ACCESS FEE TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY

On motion of Ms. Brisco, seconded by Mr. O'Connor and by a unanimous vote, the following minute order was adopted:

Effective for the Fall 1995 semester, all students at Texas A&M University who are registered for one of the courses listed in **Exhibit L**, which is attached to the official minutes, shall be required to pay an Architecture Equipment Access Fee of \$60 per course. Additions or deletions to the attached course list in future years will be approved by the Provost upon recommendation by the Dean of Architecture. Students who register for more than three courses subject to the fee in a given semester will be required to pay for a maximum of only three course access fees.

The entire revenue generated by this fee will be returned to the College of Architecture in direct proportion to the students' payments and will be used for support (capital replacement, maintenance, and modernization) of laboratories. The Equipment Access Fee will remain the same for both the 1995-96 and 1996-97 academic years. Subsequent increases must be approved by the Board of Regents.

#### 116-95

(*Item 28*)

# APPROVAL OF GEOSCIENCES LABORATORY EQUIPMENT ACCESS FEE TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY

On motion of Ms. Brisco, seconded by Mr. O'Connor and by a unanimous vote, the following minute order was adopted:

#### (116-95 continued)

Effective for the Fall 1995 semester, all students at Texas A&M University who are registered for one of the courses listed in **Exhibit M**, a copy of which is attached to the official minutes, shall be required to pay a Geosciences Laboratory Equipment Access Fee of \$50.00 per course. Additions or deletions to the attached course list in future years will be approved by the Provost upon recommendation by the Dean of Geosciences and Maritime Studies. Students who are registered for more than three courses subject to the fee in a given semester will be required to pay for a maximum of only three course access fees.

The entire revenue generated by this fee will be returned to the College of Geosciences and Maritime Studies in direct proportion to the students' payments and will be used to provide Geosciences equipment access (capital replacement, maintenance, and modernization) directly related to the educational function in support of Geosciences courses. The Geosciences Laboratory Equipment Access Fee will remain the same for both the 1995-96 and 1996-97 academic years. Subsequent increases or decreases must be approved by the Board of Regents.

#### 117-95

(Item 31)

# AMENDMENT OF MINUTE ORDERS 86-86 AND 110-92 REFERRING TO INTERNATIONAL STUDENT FEE TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY

On motion of Ms. Brisco, seconded by Mr. O'Connor and by a unanimous vote, the following minute order was adopted:

Minute Orders 86-86 and 110-92 which authorize the collection of an International Student Fee are hereby amended. Commencing with the Fall semester of 1995, Texas A&M University International students whose sponsors are charged an International Student Administrative Fee each semester will be exempt from payment of the International Student Fee.

### 118-95

(*Item 32*)

# APPROVAL OF VEHICLE PARKING-EMPLOYEE MULTIPLE TAG FEE TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY AT GALVESTON

On motion of Ms. Brisco, seconded by Mr. O'Connor and by a unanimous vote, the following minute order was adopted:

Under the authority of Section 54.505 of the <u>Texas Education Code</u> concerning "Vehicle, Parking, Traffic," effective with the Fall semester 1995, Texas A&M University at Galveston is authorized to charge employees \$10.00 for the purchase of a second vehicle parking tag to be issued for the same period as the principal tag purchased by the employee.

(Item 33)

# APPROVAL OF NEW INCIDENTAL FEES REQUESTED FOR FALL 1995 TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY-CORPUS CHRISTI

On motion of Ms. Brisco, seconded by Mr. O'Connor and by a unanimous vote, the following minute order was adopted:

As authorized by the <u>Texas Education Code</u>, Section 54.504, the President of Texas A&M University-Corpus Christi is authorized to establish and collect the following student fees effective with the Fall 1995 semester: Non-course Based Remediation Fee of \$35.00 per student per semester; CLEP Test Administration Fee of \$7.00; and Material Fees of \$5.00 - \$14.00 as identified in **Exhibit N**, a copy of which is attached to the official minutes.

### 120-95

(*Item 34*)

# APPROVAL OF VEHICLE PARKING AND TRAFFIC FEES FOR FALL 1995, TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY-CORPUS CHRISTI

On motion of Ms. Brisco, seconded by Mr. O'Connor and by a unanimous vote, the following minute order was adopted:

As authorized by the <u>Texas Education Code</u>, Section 54.505, the President of Texas A&M University-Corpus Christi is authorized to establish and collect the following student fees effective with the Fall 1995 semester: Incident Report Fee of \$5.00; and Replacement Parking Decal Fee of \$5.00.

#### 121-95

(*Item 35*)

### APPROVAL OF CABLE TELEVISION CONTRACT WEST TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY

On motion of Ms. Brisco, seconded by Mr. O'Connor and by a unanimous vote, the following minute order was adopted:

The following cable television contract is hereby ratified, confirmed and approved for West Texas A&M University. The contract will commence on August 15, 1995, and will provide continuous cable output to 862 outlets in the residence halls. The service will be provided by the licensee for six dollars and fifty cents (\$6.50) per month per outlet or a total of sixty-seven thousand two hundred thirty-six dollar (\$67,236) per year. The terms of the agreement are from August 15, 1995, and ending August 15, 1997. The terms of the agreement may be canceled by either party upon a thirty (30) day notice.

(Item 44) (Consent Item)

# CONFIRMATION OF BUDGET AND FISCAL TRANSFERS, SALARY INCREASES AND NEW POSITIONS THE TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY SYSTEM

On motion of Ms. Brisco, seconded by Mr. O'Connor and by a unanimous vote, the following minute order was adopted:

Budget and Fiscal Transfers, Salary Increases and New Positions, Confirmation List 94-95-04, attached to the official minutes as **Exhibit O**, submitted to the Board of Regents, is hereby confirmed.

#### 123-95

(Item 45) (Consent Item)

### ACCEPTANCE OF GIFTS, GRANTS, LOANS AND BEQUESTS THE TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY SYSTEM

On motion of Ms. Brisco, seconded by Mr. O'Connor and by a unanimous vote, the following minute order was adopted:

The Board of Regents hereby accepts the gifts, grants, loans and bequests made to the Components of The Texas A&M University System concerned as shown on Gift, Grant, Loan and Bequest List No. 94-95-04, attached to the official minutes as **Exhibit P**.

Ms. Brisco said Item 29 was the approval of new late registration fees at Texas A&M University (TAMU). Mr. Lindsey asked Dr. Jerry Gaston, Interim Vice President for Finance and Administration, if there was a change to this item. Dr. Gaston said that had not been part of the discussion the day before. Mr. Lindsey asked Dr. Gaston to tell the Board what was not discussed the day before. Dr. Gaston said it was proposed that if a student registered after the 12th class day, the fee would be \$200. If a student registered between classes beginning and the 12th class day, the fee would be \$100. He said both of which were designed to encourage everyone to get registered so they don't lose all the subvention that occurs when students register late. Ms. Rangel said it was \$100 for twelve days and then after twelve days, it was \$200. Ms. Brisco asked what was the cut-off point after which students could not register at all. Dr. Gaston said that was the decision of the chief academic officer of each college. Mr. Lindsey said he would think that if a student missed twelve days of class, he didn't see why TAMU would register them at all. Mr. O'Connor said if a student was a couple of days behind, for whatever reason, the student was going to be levied a \$100 fee. Ms. Rangel said if a student was one day late, the student has to pay \$100. Dr. Gaston said twelve days was over two weeks which was two weeks into the semester. Dr. Gaston said he had discussed this issue at the Student Senate meeting and they understood that it was in the best interest of the university not to lose millions of dollars by letting people "dilly-dally" around. Ms. Brisco asked if students could register a semester in advance. Dr. Gaston said registration for the fall would start in April, so they would have four months to register. Ms. Rangel asked if this late fee applied to students who take one or two courses in one semester. Mr. O'Connor asked if there was a mechanism to allow for special circumstances. Dr. Gaston said the chief academic officer had the right to permit a

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student to register, but the chief academic officer did not have the right to waive fees. He said it would have to go to the President. Dr. Ray Bowen, President of TAMU, said an example would be illness or something like that. Dr. Bowen added that the students are creative and they sometimes shop around and decide at the last minute which course might suit their objectives. The Board took action as set forth below:

### 124-95

(Item 29)

# APPROVAL OF LATE REGISTRATION FEES TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY

On motion of Mr. Allen, seconded by Mr. Powell, with Ms. Rangel voting nay, and by a majority vote, the following minute order was adopted:

Effective with the 1996 Spring semester, Texas A&M University is authorized to assess a \$100 late registration fee to students who register on or after the first class day, but before the official reporting date; a \$200 late registration fee to students who register after the official reporting date; and a \$50 late add fee to students who add a course after the official reporting date, if the hours added result in a net increase in the number of hours for which the student was enrolled on the official reporting date.

Ms. West then read the following proclamation:

"The Board of Regents of The Texas A&M University System, meeting in regular session on April 7, 1995, does strongly affirm its support for the Texas A&M International University at Laredo. The Board of Regents of The Texas A&M University System affirms its intent to support the students, faculty, administration, alumni and the supporters of Texas A&M International University as they oppose Senate Bill Number 11. The Board of Regents of The Texas A&M University System believes that Senate Bill 11, as proposed, is not in the best public policy interest of the State of Texas.

(<u>Secretary's Note</u>: The proclamation was signed by each member of the Board except Royce E. Wisenbaker, who was not present.)

Ms. West called on Ms. Rangel for a report from the System Policies Committee.

#### **REPORT FROM THE SYSTEM POLICIES COMMITTEE**

Ms. Rangel, Chairman of the System Policies Committee, asked Mr. Cliff Lancaster, Chancellor's Chief of Staff, to present this report.

Mr. Lancaster presented a demonstration of the GOPHER version of the System policies. He said this demonstration would show how the System policies, the System rules and regulations, and the university or agency rules and regulations would be laid out in a network that would be accessible to any person anywhere who has access to GOPHER; because GOPHER is a worldwide network. Mr. Lancaster introduced Mr. Hayes Saxon and said he was the computer expert in the System offices. He said Mr. Saxon had laid this out and implemented it on GOPHER. Ms. Rangel asked Mr. Lancaster to just go through one of the sections. Mr. Lancaster handed out materials containing the table of contents of the Policy Manual, a copy of which is on file in the Office of the Board of Regents. Mr. Lancaster then showed the different levels of the policies.

Ms. Rangel asked Mr. Lancaster to explain how the university manuals of rules and regulations would be put into this. Ms. Rangel said ultimately all directors and presidents would be able to pull up each other's information and print it out at will. Mr. Lancaster said they were still in the discussion stage as to whether all of the university and agency rules and regulations would be brought into this particular set of material. He said if that wasn't done, then there would be ways for a person using GOPHER to point to those other sets and have those accessible. He said it may be a little bit of overload to have everybody's procedures on the same system. Ms. Rangel said she understood that there would be room for it all. Mr. Lancaster said they were headed in that direction. Mr. Lancaster said he thought by showing the demonstration that the Board got the idea that there was a hierarchy of policies as established in the policies approved by the Board. He said there were System policies which take the first order behind state and federal law. He said System policies were approved and enacted by the Board. He said the System policies adopted on February 27, 1995, was a living document which would continue to be changed by specific action of the Board. Mr. Lancaster said at the second level, were the System rules and regulations, which were in effect, directives of the Chancellor. He said those were intended to establish direction for all of the System components. He said the third level was the university and agency rules and regulations. The fourth level was the internal departmental procedures (directives issued by unit administrator).

Mr. Lancaster read from Dr. Thompson's directive to the System Policy Implementation Task Force: "My intent is that we add at the SAGO level only those rules, procedures and reporting requirements that are absolutely necessary for efficiency and fiscal responsibility leaving maximum possible flexibility to the component universities and agencies." Mr. Lancaster said that was the approach that the task force has taken as it goes into the task of dismantling the Administrative Policy and Reporting Manual (APRM). He said the task force was examining everything that was in the APRM to make sure that it was essential for the governance of the institutions and doesn't overgovern. He said the first group of the task force was named by Dr. Thompson and included only SAGO staff. He said for each component university or agency, there was a representative who would end up being the coordinator of actors who would put together the rules and regulations, the manuals, for those respective components.

Mr. Lancaster reviewed the schedule. He said the policies were approved by the Board on February 27. Dr. Thompson named a task force on March 3. He said they hoped by April 12, to have all of the System policies loaded onto the GOPHER software so that the System policies, not the System rules and regulations or the agency policies, were available on GOPHER. He said that would be a tremendous help to those who were using that tool. Mr. Lancaster said he hoped that by May 31, they would have dismantled and reassembled the APRM. He said he didn't intend to imply that they would be on GOPHER by then, but he intended to have them in final draft. Ms. Rangel asked when he anticipated that it would be on GOPHER. Mr. Lancaster said as soon as they get the Chancellor's approval for those. He said they were going through a very deliberative process to first draft those and that was being done by people in fiscal, human resources, academic affairs, and so on. They were being reviewed by General Counsel. He said those would then be presented to the Chancellor for approval. And after his approval, then they will make the distribution both in print and put them on GOPHER. Ms. Rangel asked Mr. Lancaster while he was doing that, would the universities and agencies be simultaneously working on coordinating their rules and regulations. Mr. Lancaster said they were to have a meeting on that subject after the Board meeting. He said obviously it wouldn't make sense to Minutes - April 7, 1995

wait until everything had a final signature on it from the Chancellor before they do their preliminary work. He said they had a tremendous organization or reorganization problem because they already had manuals in place. He said some were using the APRM and some were adding to the APRM. He said some were basically incorporating that information into their own stand-alone. He said each one has its own task of how best to do what they are headed to do. He said they would bring them into that process early, as soon as something is available for them to work on. He said he hoped they would have their rules and regulations, the universities and agencies, in final draft by August 31. Ms. Rangel said that was the intent of the minute order that the Board adopted on February 27, 1995.

Ms. Rangel commended Mr. Lancaster on an excellent job in getting all of these things done so quickly and so far. Mr. O'Connor commended Mr. Lancaster and his crew for the wonderful job they've done in this period of time. Ms. Rangel agreed. Mr. Lancaster said it was a great team effort. He said the task force had been the most effective that he had ever served on because the members were all interested. They were contributing their own time and they were smart.

There being no further business, the regular meeting of the Board of Regents of The Texas A&M University System was adjourned by Ms. West at 12:44 p.m., the same day.

Vickie Running Secretary of the Board of Regents The Texas A&M University System

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