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**MINUTES OF THE
MEETING OF THE BOARD OF REGENTS
JANUARY 25, 1996**

A regular meeting of the Board of Regents of The Texas A&M University System was convened by Ms. Mary Nan West, at 8:30 a.m., on Thursday, January 25, 1996, in Room 292 of the 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. T. Michael O'Connor, Vice Chairman
Mr. Robert H. Allen
Ms. Alison Brisco*
Mr. Frederick D. McClure
Mr. Don Powell
Ms. M. Guadalupe L. Rangel

*(*Secretary's Note: Ms. Brisco joined the meeting at approximately 9:20 a.m.)*

The following members of the Board were not present:

Mr. John H. Lindsey
Mr. Royce E. Wisenbaker

The invocation was presented by Mr. Steve Farley, a fourth year Nuclear Engineering student at Texas A&M University.

CHAIRMAN'S REMARKS

Ms. West said she was very proud of every component and chief executive officer of The Texas A&M University System and thanked everyone for their cooperation.

CHANCELLOR'S REMARKS

Dr. Barry B. Thompson, Chancellor of The Texas A&M University System (TAMUS), introduced the first six interns of the Center for Leadership in Higher Education. Dr. Thompson reported that the System is moving ahead.

REPORTS FROM DIRECTORS

Reports were presented from the directors of the service agencies as follows: Mr. Bruce Miles, Texas Forest Service; Dr. Edward Hiler, Texas Agricultural Experiment Station and Texas Agricultural Extension Service (*in the absence of Dr. Zerle Carpenter*); Dr. Konrad Eugster, Texas Veterinary Medical Diagnostic Laboratory; Dr. C. Roland Haden, Texas Engineering Experiment Station; Dr. Herbert H. Richardson, Texas Transportation Institute; and Dr. G. Kemble Bennett, Texas Engineering Extension Service.

(Secretary's Note: Ms. Brisco joined the meeting at this time.)

CLOSED SESSION

At 9:30 a.m., Ms. West announced that having convened in open session, the Board would convene in a closed session to consider matters as permitted by the following sections of Chapter 551 of the Texas Government Code: Section 551.071, for consultation with System attorneys on pending and proposed litigation and matters recognized as attorney-client confidential and privileged; Section 551.074, for discussion of matters involving the appointment, employment, evaluation, reassignment, duties, discipline or dismissal or to hear complaints or charges against an officer or employee. Ms. West said that under this section the Board would discuss Items 5, 6 and 7, and other personnel related items.

Ms. West said it was anticipated that the Board would reconvene in open session at 11:00 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.

At 1:45 p.m., Ms. West reconvened the meeting of the Board in open session and announced the Board had met in closed session from 9:45 a.m. until 1:44 p.m. Ms. West then recessed the meeting of the Board.

(Secretary's Note: Board Committees met from 1:52 p.m. to 3:39 p.m.)

At 3:40 p.m., Ms. West reconvened the meeting and announced that the Board would take Item 4 out of order.

REPORT OF THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

Ms. West said that Item 4 had been approved in the meeting of the Executive Committee earlier in the day and the Board took action as follows:



01-96
(Item 4)

**ADOPTION OF RESOLUTION TO
EXPRESS APPRECIATION TO COREY PULLIG
TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY
BOARD OF REGENTS**

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

Whereas, Corey Pullig recently completed his fourth and final year as quarterback of the Texas A&M University football team; and

Whereas, his outstanding record of 33 wins against only six losses and one tie is the best winning record of any quarterback who has played football for Texas A&M during the past 101 years; and

(01-96 continued)

Whereas, this Deer Park native's winning record ranks him among the top three quarterbacks in terms of games won in the history of the Southwest Conference, joining Lance McIlhenny of Southern Methodist University and Bobby Layne of the University of Texas in this exceptional achievement; and

Whereas, Mr. Pullig's accomplishments were recognized nationally when he was selected to play in the prestigious Hula Bowl at the conclusion of the 1995 football season; and

Whereas, he is scheduled to receive a bachelor's degree in business administration with a marketing major at graduation ceremonies in May 1996; now, therefore, be it

Resolved, that the Board of Regents of The Texas A&M University System, meeting on this 25th day of January 1996 at College Station, expresses its congratulations to Mr. Pullig upon the completion of a truly illustrious football career at Texas A&M; 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. Pullig and to the Archives of Texas A&M University, as a permanent mark of this Board's appreciation and gratitude.



Ms. West presented a framed resolution to Mr. Pullig.

At 3:44 p.m., Ms. West recessed the meeting of the Board. At 4:35 p.m., Ms. West reconvened the meeting of the Board, and called on Ms. Rangel for the report of the Facilities Planning and Building Committee.

REPORT OF THE FACILITIES PLANNING AND BUILDING COMMITTEE

Ms. Rangel, Vice Chairman of the Facilities Planning and Building Committee, said the Committee recommended Items 1-A through 1-H for Board approval. The Board took action as set forth below:



02-96

(Item 1-A)

**ACTION ON BIDS FOR
MOVABLE FURNISHINGS FOR THE
ADMINISTRATION BUILDING REHABILITATION
PRAIRIE VIEW A&M UNIVERSITY**

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

Based on bids received December 14, 1995, contracts are awarded for movable furnishings for the Administration Building Rehabilitation at Prairie View A&M University as follows: Sections I, III and IV to McCoy Inc., of Houston, Texas, at \$280,441.06 and Section II to Corporate Express of Texas, Inc., of Corpus Christi, Texas, at \$18,946.01.

Funds for these movable furnishings were provided by Minute Order 15-95.

03-96

(Item 1-B)

**APPROPRIATION FOR DESIGN AND SELECTION
OF PROJECT ARCHITECT/ENGINEER FOR THE
NATURAL RESOURCES INFORMATICS LABORATORY,
BLACKLANDS RESEARCH CENTER, TEMPLE
TEXAS AGRICULTURAL EXPERIMENT STATION**

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

The program of requirements for the Natural Resources Informatics Laboratory, Blacklands Research Center, Temple, Texas Agricultural Experiment Station is approved.

Supplementing a previous appropriation of \$10,000.00, the amount of \$75,000.00 is appropriated from Account No. 01-083518 Permanent University Fund Debt Proceeds for design and related project costs for the Natural Resources Informatics Laboratory, Blacklands Research Center, Temple, Texas Agricultural Experiment Station.

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 is reasonably expected to be used to reimburse the account(s) for amounts previously appropriated and/or expended from such account(s).

Morales & Associates, Architects, Inc. of Austin, Texas, is hereby selected as the architect/engineer for the Natural Resources Informatics Laboratory, Blacklands Research Center, Temple, Texas Agricultural Experiment Station, Project No. 5-2781.

04-96

(Item 1-C)

**APPROPRIATION FOR DESIGN AND
SELECTION OF PROJECT ARCHITECT/ENGINEER FOR
THE GOOD LABORATORY PRACTICES FACILITY
TEXAS ENGINEERING EXPERIMENT STATION**

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

The program of requirements for the Good Laboratory Practices Facility, Texas Engineering Experiment Station is approved.

Supplementing a previous appropriation of \$10,000.00, the amount of \$65,000.00 is appropriated from Account No. 08-32600-96910 Good Laboratory Practices Facility for design and related project costs for the Good Laboratory Practices Facility, Texas Engineering Experiment Station.

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 is reasonably expected to be used to reimburse the account(s) for amounts previously appropriated and/or expended from such account(s).

As required by Section 5(a) of the Master Resolution of the Revenue Financing System, the Board hereby determines that it will have sufficient funds to meet the financial obligations of The Texas A&M University System, including sufficient Pledged Revenues to satisfy the Annual Debt Service Requirements of the Revenue Financing System and to meet all financial obligations of the Board relating to the Revenue Financing System and that the Participants, on whose behalf the Bonds are to be issued, possess the financial capacity to satisfy their Direct Obligations.

Charlie Burris Architects of College Station, Texas, is hereby selected as the architect/engineer for the Good Laboratory Practices Facility, Texas Engineering Experiment Station, Project No. 8-2779.

05-96

(Item 1-D)

**INITIATION OF A PROJECT FOR
THE WEST CAMPUS PARKING GARAGE
TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY**

On motion of Mr. Allen, 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:

West Campus Parking Garage, Project No. 1-2776

(05-96 continued)

Programmed Amount: \$18,000,000.00 with proposed funding from Revenue Financing System

Design by: A/E to be selected

Project Management and Contract Administration by: System Facilities Planning and Construction Department

The amount of \$20,000.00 is appropriated from Account No. 02-030139 Parking, Traffic and Transportation Reserve for preparation of a program of requirements and related project costs for the West Campus Parking Garage.

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 is reasonably expected to be used to reimburse the account(s) for amounts previously appropriated and/or expended from such account(s).

As required by Section 5(a) of the Master Resolution of the Revenue Financing System, the Board hereby determines that it will have sufficient funds to meet the financial obligations of The Texas A&M University System including sufficient Pledged Revenues to satisfy the Annual Debt Service Requirements of the Revenue Financing System and to meet all financial obligations of the Board relating to the Revenue Financing System and that the Participants, on whose behalf the Bonds are to be issued, possess the financial capacity to satisfy their Direct Obligations.

06-96

(Item 1-E)

**APPROPRIATION FOR DESIGN AND
SELECTION OF PROJECT ARCHITECTS/ENGINEERS
FOR THE WEST CAMPUS STREETS DEVELOPMENT
TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY**

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

The program of requirements for the West Campus Streets Development at Texas A&M University is approved.

Supplementing a previous appropriation of \$15,000.00, the amount of \$535,000.00 is appropriated from Account No. 01-083518 Permanent University Fund Debt Proceeds for design and related project costs for the West Campus Streets Development at Texas A&M University.

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 is reasonably expected to be used to reimburse the account(s) for amounts previously appropriated and/or expended from such account(s).

(06-96 continued)

As required by Section 5(a) of the Master Resolution of the Revenue Financing System, the Board hereby determines that it will have sufficient funds to meet the financial obligations of The Texas A&M University System, including sufficient Pledged Revenues to satisfy the Annual Debt Service Requirements of the Revenue Financing System and to meet all financial obligations of the Board relating to the Revenue Financing System and that the Participants, on whose behalf the Bonds are to be issued, possess the financial capacity to satisfy their Direct Obligations.

The following architects/engineers are hereby selected for West Campus Streets Development at Texas A&M University, Project No. 1-2777

Lockwood, Andrews & Newnam, Inc. of Houston, Texas, is hereby selected for Phase I.

Lockwood, Andrews & Newnam, Inc. of Houston, Texas, is hereby selected for Phase II.

Robertson Engineering of Bryan, Texas, is hereby selected for Phase III.

07-96

(Item 1-F)

**APPROPRIATION FOR PRELIMINARY DESIGN AND
SELECTION OF PROJECT ARCHITECT/ENGINEER
FOR THE ATHLETIC FACILITIES
RENOVATIONS/ADDITIONS, PHASE II
TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY**

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

The program of requirements for the Athletic Facilities Renovations/Additions, Phase II, at Texas A&M University is approved.

Supplementing a previous appropriation of \$10,000.00, the amount of \$80,000.00 is appropriated from Account No. 02-030009 Stadium Revenue Fund Reserve for preliminary design and related project costs for the Athletic Facilities Renovations/Additions, Phase II at Texas A&M University.

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 is reasonably expected to be used to reimburse the account(s) for amounts previously appropriated and/or expended from such account(s).

As required by Section 5(a) of the Master Resolution of the Revenue Financing System, the Board hereby determines that it will have sufficient funds to meet the financial obligations of The Texas A&M University System, including sufficient Pledged Revenues to satisfy the Annual Debt Service Requirements of the Revenue Financing System and to meet all financial obligations of the Board relating to the Revenue Financing System and that the Participants, on whose behalf the Bonds are to be issued, possess the financial capacity to satisfy their Direct Obligations.

(07-96 continued)

Schrickel, Rollins and Associates, Inc., of Arlington, Texas, is hereby selected as the architect/engineer for the Athletic Facilities Renovations/Additions, Phase II, at Texas A&M University, Project No. 1-2784.

08-96

(Item 1-G)

**SUPPLEMENTAL APPROPRIATION FOR
DESIGN AND APPROVAL OF INCREASED PROJECT BUDGET
FOR THE TTI HANGAR REHABILITATION
TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY**

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

The project budget is increased from \$683,000.00 to \$1,883,000.00 for the TTI Hangar Rehabilitation at Texas A&M University.

Supplementing a previous appropriation of \$70,000.00, the amount of \$245,000.00 is appropriated from Account No. 01-083518 Permanent University Fund Debt Proceeds for design and related project costs for the TTI Hangar Rehabilitation at Texas A&M University.

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 is reasonably expected to be used to reimburse the account(s) for amounts previously appropriated and/or expended from such account(s).

09-96

(Item 1-H)

**ACTION ON BIDS FOR THE
LIBRARY, COMPUTING AND STUDY COMPLEX
TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY**

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

Based on bids received December 20, 1995, the apparent low bidder was Spaw Glass Construction Corporation of Houston, Texas, with a base bid of \$28,750,000.00. Following the bid opening, a review of their bid preparation documents by the Facilities Planning and Construction staff verified that a "mistake-in-bid" was made by their estimator. Therefore, Spaw Glass Construction Corporation is allowed to withdraw its bid. The general construction contract is awarded to Centex Bateson Construction Company, Inc., of Dallas, Texas, at \$31,955,000.00, the low base bid and Alternates 2, 3, 4 and 5 for the Library, Computing and Study Complex at Texas A&M University.

Based on bids received December 12, 1995, the asbestos abatement contract is awarded to CST Environmental, Inc., of Houston, Texas, at \$127,327.00 the low bid for asbestos abatement of the Library, Computing and Study Complex at Texas A&M University.

(09-96 continued)

Supplementing previous appropriations of \$1,806,120.00, the amount of \$8,200,000.00 is appropriated from Account No. 01-083519 Revenue Financing System (Parking Revenue), the amount of \$24,864,880.00 is appropriated from Account No. 01-083519 Revenue Financing System (General Use Fee), the amount of \$4,866,000.00 is appropriated from Account No. 01-083519 Revenue Financing System (Computer Access Fee) and the amount of \$549,500.00 is appropriated from Account No. 01-083518 Permanent University Fund Debt Proceeds for the Library, Computing and Study Complex at Texas A&M University.

The amount of \$986,500.00 in previous appropriations is reverted to Account No. 02-085008 General Fee Revenue Fund.

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 is reasonably expected to be used to reimburse the account(s) for amounts previously appropriated and/or expended from such account(s).

As required by Section 5(a) of the Master Resolution of the Revenue Financing System, the Board hereby determines that it will have sufficient funds to meet the financial obligations of The Texas A&M University System, including sufficient Pledged Revenues to satisfy the Annual Debt Service Requirements of the Revenue Financing System and to meet all financial obligations of the Board relating to the Revenue Financing System and that the Participants, on whose behalf the Bonds are to be issued, possess the financial capacity to satisfy their Direct Obligations.



Ms. West then presented the report of the Executive Committee.

REPORT OF THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

Ms. West, Chairman of the Executive Committee, reported that the Committee had met earlier in the day and considered Items 2, 3, 5, 6, 7, 30 and 22 through 24. The Board took action as set forth below:



10-95

(Item 2)

**ADOPTION OF RESOLUTION IN RECOGNITION OF
DR. ROBERT G. MERRIFIELD AND
CONFERRING THE TITLE OF EMERITUS
TEXAS AGRICULTURAL EXPERIMENT STATION**

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

Whereas, Dr. Robert G. Merrifield received a Bachelor of Science in Forestry from the University of Arkansas, a Master of Science in Forestry from Louisiana State University, and a Doctor of Philosophy in Forestry from Duke University; and

Whereas, following a four-year commission in the United States Navy, he joined the faculty of Louisiana State University where he served as an Assistant and Associate Professor from 1958 to 1967; and

Whereas, he joined Texas A&M University in June 1967 as a Professor of Range and Forestry; and

Whereas, Dr. Robert G. Merrifield served as the first Head of the Department of Forest Science at Texas A&M University from September 1969 to August 1977 and Chair of the School of Natural Biosciences from September 1972 to December 1975; and

Whereas, in September 1977, he was appointed Associate Director of the Texas Agricultural Experiment Station where he simultaneously held the positions of Director of the Institute of Renewable Natural Resources from September 1977 to April 1988 and Interim Associate Dean of the College of Agriculture from April 1988 to January 1989; and

Whereas, in June 1989, he was promoted to the position of Deputy Director of the Texas Agricultural Experiment Station, a position he held until his retirement on December 31, 1995; and

Whereas, Dr. Robert G. Merrifield has served in a myriad of leadership roles on numerous societies, committees and councils within Texas A&M University, The Texas A&M University System, the Texas Forestry Association, the United States Forest Service, the National Association of State Universities and Land-Grant Colleges (NASULGC), and the Southern Association of Agricultural Experiment Station Directors; and

Whereas, he has received numerous awards to include a Distinguished Service Award from the United States Jaycees, a Distinguished Service Award from the Society of American Foresters, a Deputy Chancellor's Award in Excellence for Administration, a Distinguished Service Award from Gamma Sigma Delta and a Research Award from the Texas Forestry Association; now, therefore, be it

Resolved, that the Board of Regents gratefully acknowledges the distinguished leadership, dedicated service and outstanding performance which Dr. Robert G. Merrifield has provided during his 28 years of service within The Texas A&M University System; and be it further

(10-96 continued)

Resolved, that in recognition of his long and distinguished service to the Texas Agricultural Experiment Station, the title of Deputy Director Emeritus is conferred upon Dr. Robert G. Merrifield and he is granted all rights and privileges of this title effective January 1, 1996; 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 Dr. Robert G. Merrifield and a copy filed in the Archives of Texas A&M University.

11-96

(Item 3)

**NAMING OF THE
BLANCHE DAVIS MOORE DIAGNOSTIC CENTER
TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY-CORPUS CHRISTI**

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

The Diagnostic Center of the Early Childhood Development Center on the campus of Texas A&M University-Corpus Christi is hereby named the "Blanche Davis Moore Diagnostic Center."

12-96

(Item 3)

**NAMING OF THE
CITGO SCIENCE TOWER
TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY-CORPUS CHRISTI**

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

The Tower Structure of the Early Childhood Development Center on the campus of Texas A&M University-Corpus Christi is hereby named the "Citgo Science Tower."

13-96

(Item 3)

**NAMING OF
ANTHONY J. AND GEORGIA A. PELLEGRINO HALL
TEXAS A&M INTERNATIONAL UNIVERSITY**

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

Academic Building E on the campus of Texas A&M International University is hereby named the "Anthony J. and Georgia A. Pellegrino Hall."

14-96
(Item 5)

**APPOINTMENT OF
DR. EMMA JOAHANNE THOMAS-SMITH
AS PROVOST AND VICE PRESIDENT FOR ACADEMIC AFFAIRS
PRAIRIE VIEW A&M UNIVERSITY**

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

Dr. Emma Joahanne Thomas-Smith is hereby appointed as Provost and Vice President for Academic Affairs at Prairie View A&M University, effective December 1, 1995.

15-96
(Item 6)

**APPOINTMENT OF
MR. JOSE GARCIA
AS INTERIM PRESIDENT
TEXAS A&M INTERNATIONAL UNIVERSITY**

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

Mr. Jose Garcia is hereby appointed Interim President at Texas A&M International University, effective January 1, 1996.

16-96
(Item 7)

**APPOINTMENT OF
DR. RONALD G. DOUGLAS
AS EXECUTIVE VICE PRESIDENT AND PROVOST
TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY**

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

Dr. Ronald G. Douglas is hereby appointed Executive Vice President and Provost at Texas A&M University, effective no later than March 1, 1996.

17-96
(Item 30)

**ADOPTION OF POLICY
GOVERNING THE DEVELOPMENT OF CORE CURRICULUM
AT SYSTEM UNIVERSITIES
THE TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY SYSTEM**

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

The Board of Regents of The Texas A&M University System acknowledges that the responsibility for the proposal of core curriculum at each System university rests with the faculty, subject to the approval of the respective Chief Executive Officer and the Chancellor. Ultimate authority for curriculum rests with the Board of Regents.

18-96
(Consent Item 22)

**GRANTING OF THE TITLE OF EMERITUS UPON
DR. WILLIAM B. THOMAS
TEXAS AGRICULTURAL EXTENSION SERVICE**

On motion of Ms. West, seconded by Mr. O'Connor 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 Dr. William B. Thomas, and he is granted all rights and privileges of this title, effective January 26, 1996.

19-96
(Consent Item 23)

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

On motion of Ms. West, seconded by Mr. O'Connor 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 System Policy 12.01 on academic freedom, responsibility and tenure, hereby authorizes the granting of tenure to the following faculty members as set forth on Tenure List 95-96-02, attached to the official minutes as **Exhibit A**.

20-96

(Consent Item 24)

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

On motion of Ms. West, seconded by Mr. O'Connor 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. 95-96-03, attached to the official minutes as **Exhibit B**, and Promotion List No. 95-96-03, attached to the official minutes as **Exhibit C**, are hereby confirmed.

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

**REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE FOR ACADEMIC CAMPUSES**

Ms. Rangel, Chairman of the Committee for Academic Campuses, said the Committee recommended approval of Item 8. The Board took action as set forth below:

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21-96

(Item 8)

**AUTHORIZATION TO PRESENT A PROPOSAL TO
THE TEXAS HIGHER EDUCATION COORDINATING BOARD
INITIATING A NEW PROGRAM LEADING TO A
MASTER OF SCIENCE DEGREE IN GERONTOLOGY
TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY-KINGSVILLE**

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

The President of Texas A&M University-Kingsville is hereby authorized to present to the Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board a proposal initiating a new program leading to a Master of Science degree in Gerontology.

The Board of Regents has considered the request for this authorization in light of the statutory objectives of Texas A&M University-Kingsville, the need of the State of Texas for students to be trained in this field, and the cost of such training. The Board believes this request is justified and that Texas A&M University-Kingsville, under its legal mandate, should be authorized to add a Master of Science in Gerontology to its degree inventory.

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

**REPORT OF THE FINANCE AND AUDIT COMMITTEE**

Mr. Allen, Vice Chairman of the Finance and Audit Committee, reported that the Committee had met earlier the same day and recommended that the full Board approve Items 9 through 15, and 25 through 29. The Board took action as set forth below:

**22-96**  
*(Item 9)*

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**APPROVAL OF FIRST BANK, WALLER
AS LOCAL DEPOSITORY
PRAIRIE VIEW A&M UNIVERSITY**

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

In accordance with The Texas A&M University System Investment Policy, First Bank, Waller is hereby approved as the local depository for Prairie View A&M University for a term of three years beginning February 1, 1996.

23-96
(Item 10)

**AUTHORIZATION TO ESTABLISH A
QUASI-ENDOWMENT ENTITLED
“LILA B. KING QUASI-ENDOWMENT”
TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY**

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

Authority is hereby granted to the President of Texas A&M University to establish a quasi-endowment account to be called “Lila B. King Quasi-Endowment.” The account will be created with a deposit of \$118,669.99 from the balance of the Lila B. King-Holding Account. Interest earnings from the endowment will be used to benefit the Sterling C. Evans Library.

24-96
(Item 11)

**AUTHORIZATION TO ESTABLISH A
QUASI-ENDOWMENT ENTITLED
“MR. & MRS. RICHARD C. FAULKNER, SR. ENDOWMENT”
TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY**

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

(24-96 continued)

Authority is hereby granted to the President of Texas A&M University to establish a quasi-endowment to be called "Mr. & Mrs. Richard C. Faulkner, Sr. Endowment." The account will be created with a deposit of \$543,320. Interest earnings from this account will be administered under the Sul Ross Scholarship Program to support students participating in the Corps of Cadets at Texas A&M University.

25-96

(Item 12)

**APPROVAL OF FY 1997 BUDGET GUIDELINES
THE TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY SYSTEM**

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

The Texas A&M University System Guidelines for the FY 1997 Operating Budgets, attached to the official minutes as **Exhibit D**, are hereby adopted.

26-96

(Item 13)

**ADOPTION OF RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING
ISSUANCE OF REVENUE FINANCING SYSTEM BONDS, SERIES 1996,
AND APPOINTMENT TO ACT PURSUANT TO RESOLUTION AND
TO SUBMIT APPLICATION TO THE TEXAS BOND REVIEW BOARD
THE TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY SYSTEM**

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

The resolution authorizing the Board of Regents of The Texas A&M University System Revenue Financing System Bonds, Series 1996, estimated to be approximately \$163,300,000 but in no case to exceed \$165,000,000 is hereby adopted, a copy of which is attached to the official minutes as **Exhibit E**, and the Deputy Chancellor for Finance and Operations and the Director of Treasury Services are hereby appointed to act pursuant to said resolution and to submit an application to the Texas Bond Review Board.

27-96

(Item 14)

**ADOPTION OF RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING
ISSUANCE OF PUF BONDS, SERIES 1996A,
AND APPOINTMENT TO ACT PURSUANT TO RESOLUTION
THE TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY SYSTEM**

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

(27-96 continued)

The resolution authorizing the Board of Regents of The Texas A&M University System Revenue Permanent University Fund Bonds, Series 1996A, is hereby adopted, a copy of which is attached to the official minutes as **Exhibit F**, and the Deputy Chancellor for Finance and Operations and the Director of Treasury Services are hereby appointed to act pursuant to said resolution.

28-96

(Item 15)

**APPROVAL OF SYSTEM INTERNAL AUDIT PLANS
FOR FY 1996 AND FY 1997
THE TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY SYSTEM**

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

The System Internal Audit Plans for FY 1996 and FY 1997, copies of which are attached to the official minutes as **Exhibit G**, are hereby approved. The System Director of Internal Audit will accomplish audits in accordance with these plans and provide the Board of Regents with reports in accordance with System Policy 21.03, Internal Audits.

29-96

(Item 29)

**DELEGATION OF AUTHORITY TO THE
CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICERS OF COMPONENT INSTITUTIONS
TO HOLD PUBLIC HEARINGS ON THE
INCREASE OF GENERAL USE FEES
THE TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY SYSTEM**

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

Pursuant to Texas Education Code, Section 55.16, the Board of Regents of The Texas A&M University System hereby delegates to the Chief Executive Officers of component institutions authority to hold a public hearing at the institution on the increase of general use fees to be effective the Fall 1996 semester.

30-96*(Consent Item 25)*

**REPORT OF APPROPRIATIONS BY THE
CHANCELLOR OR CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICERS
THE TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY SYSTEM**

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

The following report of appropriations by the Chancellor or Chief Executive Officers is hereby accepted:

Member and Project No.	Amount	Project Name and Source of Funds
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Construction Projects

Appropriated by the Chancellor:

TAMU-CC 15-0232	\$ 75,000.00	Campus Landscaping Revenue Financing System (Tuition Revenue)
TAMU-CC 15-0231	\$120,000.00	Construct Hike/Bike Trail Revenue Financing System (Tuition Revenue)
TAMU-CC 15-0220	\$ 1,263.68	Library Automation Revenue Financing System (Tuition Revenue)
TAMU-CC 15-0208	\$ 15,611.47	Renovation on Classroom East Revenue Financing System (Tuition Revenue)

Other Appropriations

Appropriated by the Chancellor:

SAGO	\$ 22,363.18	Arbitrage Liabilities Permanent University Fund Debt Proceeds
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31-96*(Consent Item 26)*

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

On motion of Mr. McClure, seconded by Mr. Powell 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. 95-96-03, attached to the official minutes as **Exhibit H**.

32-96

(Consent Item 27)

**CONFIRMATION OF
VENDING MACHINE CONTRACTS
TEXAS ENGINEERING EXTENSION SERVICE**

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

The following vending machine contracts, executed in accordance with Policy 28.03, are hereby ratified, confirmed and approved for the Texas Engineering Extension Service.

- A. Vending machine contract dated September 1, 1995, with L. C. Vending Company, San Antonio, Texas, covering approximately 13 snack, fresh food, soft drink and coffee machines, a copy of which is attached to the official minutes as **Exhibit I**. These machines are to be placed in the Texas Engineering Extension Service's facilities in San Antonio, Texas. The vendor will pay Texas Engineering Extension Service 18 percent of gross receipts, except for fresh food, for which no commission will be paid. The term of the agreement is from September 1, 1995 to August 31, 1997.

- B. Vending machine contract dated September 1, 1995, with AVA Services, Inc., Alvin, Texas, covering approximately four snack and soft drink machines, a copy of which is attached to the official minutes as **Exhibit J**. These machines are to be placed in the Texas Engineering Extension Service's facilities in Houston, Texas. The vendor will pay Texas Engineering Extension Service between 11.5 percent and 20.1 percent of gross receipts depending on gross sales. The term of the agreement is from September 1, 1995 to August 31, 1997.

- C. Vending machine contract dated September 1, 1995, with Hav-A-Snak, Inc., Houston, Texas, covering approximately three soft drink and snack machines, a copy of which is attached to the official minutes as **Exhibit K**. These machines are to be placed in the Texas Engineering Extension Service's facilities in Galveston, Texas. The vendor will pay the Texas Engineering Extension Service 10.9 percent (canned drinks) and 7.9 percent (snacks) of gross receipts. The term of the agreement is from September 1, 1995 to August 31, 1997.

33-96

(Consent Item 28)

**REPORT OF DELEGATIONS OF AUTHORITY FOR
APPROVAL OF TRAVEL
THE TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY SYSTEM**

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

The following individuals are hereby delegated authority to approve travel and the resulting payments and reimbursements for their respective universities and agencies. This delegation is effective for the biennium beginning September 1, 1995 and extends to any travel for which direct payment or reimbursement is permitted under state law and travel regulations.

System Administrative and General Offices

Chancellor
Deputy Chancellor for Academic Institutions and Agencies
Deputy Chancellor for Finance and Operations
Vice Chancellor for Agriculture
Vice Chancellor for Engineering
Vice Chancellor for Research, Planning and Continuing Education
Vice Chancellor for Academic Affairs
Vice Chancellor for Business Services
Vice Chancellor and General Counsel
Vice Chancellor for Facilities Planning and Construction
Vice Chancellor for Strategic Programs
Vice Chancellor for State and Public Affairs
Department Heads

Texas A&M University

President
Assistant to the President
Vice Presidents
Associate and Assistant Vice Presidents
Associate and Assistant Provosts
Deans
Associate and Assistant Deans
Department Heads
Associate and Assistant Department Heads
Directors
Associate, Assistant and Deputy Directors
Senior Academic Business Administrators
Account Administrators

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Tarleton State University

Chief Executive Officer/University President
Provost and Vice President for Academic Affairs
Vice President for Institutional Advancement
Vice President for Student Services
Vice President for Finance and Administration
Associate Vice President for Business Services
Dean, College of Agriculture and Technology
Dean, College of Arts and Sciences
Dean, College of Business Administration
Dean, College of Education and Fine Arts
Dean, College of Graduate Studies
Director of Athletics
Director, Texas Institute for Applied Environmental Research
Registrar
Department Chairmen

Prairie View A&M University

President
Provost and Vice President for Academic Affairs
Vice President for Finance and Administration
Vice President for Student Services
Director of Institutional Development

Texas A&M University-Corpus Christi

President
Vice Presidents
Assistant Vice Presidents
Deans
Directors
Bookstore Manager

Texas A&M University at Galveston

Executive Associate Campus Dean
Chief Financial Officer
Associate Campus Dean for Academic and Administrative Services
Associate Campus Dean for Research
Associate Campus Dean for Continuing Education
Associate Campus Dean for Student Affairs
Account Administrators

(33-96 continued)

Texas A&M University-Kingsville

President
Provost and Vice President for Academic Affairs
Vice President for Fiscal Affairs
Vice President for Student Affairs
Vice President for External Development
Deans
Department Heads (Direct report to Vice President)

Texas A&M International University

President
Provost and Vice President for Academic Affairs
Vice President for Finance and Administration
Vice President for Advancement and External Affairs

West Texas A&M University

President
Vice President for Business and Finance
Provost/Vice President for Academic Affairs
Associate Vice President for Business and Finance/Controller
Dean of Student Services
Dean, College of Agriculture, Nursing and Natural Sciences
Dean, College of Education and Social Sciences
Dean, T. Boone Pickens College of Business
Dean, Sybil B. Harrington College of Fine Arts and Humanities
Dean, Graduate School and Research
Account Managers
Department Heads

Texas Agricultural Experiment Station

Director
Deputy Director
Assistant Vice Chancellor for Administration
Assistant Director - Fiscal Affairs
Budget and Planning Officer
Unit Heads

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Texas Agricultural Extension Service

Director
Executive Associate Director
Associate Directors
Assistant Directors
Fiscal and Management Affairs Officer
Senior Staff Accountant

Texas Forest Service

Director
Associate Director and Chief Financial Officer

Texas Engineering Experiment Station

Director
Assistant Agency Director
Controller

Texas Engineering Extension Service

Director
Deputy Director
Assistant Agency Director for Applied Technologies
Assistant Agency Director for Finance
Assistant Agency Director for Human Resources
Division Head/Center Manager
Controller

Texas Transportation Institute

Director
Deputy Director
Associate Agency Director
Fiscal Officer
Head of Projects Administration

Texas Veterinary Medical Diagnostic Laboratory System

Executive Director
Head of Diagnostic Services
Head of Diagnostic Toxicology



Ms. West called on Mr. O'Connor for the report of the Committee for Land and Mineral Resources.

Mr. O'Connor, Chairman of the Committee for Land and Mineral Resources, reported that the Committee had met earlier the same day and unanimously voted for Item 16 through 21 and submitted to the full Board for approval. The Board took action as set forth below:



34-96
(Item 16)

**AUTHORIZATION FOR THE CHANCELLOR TO
NEGOTIATE AND EXECUTE GROUND LEASE
FOR THE CONSTRUCTION, MAINTENANCE AND
OPERATION OF ON-CAMPUS HOUSING FACILITIES
PRAIRIE VIEW A&M UNIVERSITY**

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

The Board of Regents of The Texas A&M University System hereby authorizes the Chancellor of The Texas A&M University System, or his designee, to negotiate and execute a ground lease for the construction, maintenance, and operation of On-Campus Housing Facilities at Prairie View A&M University.

35-96
(Item 17)

**AUTHORIZATION FOR THE CHANCELLOR TO
NEGOTIATE AND EXECUTE A GROUND LEASE
FOR THE CONSTRUCTION, OPERATION AND
MAINTENANCE OF A HOTEL/MOTEL LODGING FACILITY
WEST TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY**

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

The Board of Regents of The Texas A&M University System hereby authorizes the Chancellor of The Texas A&M University System, or his designee, to negotiate and execute a ground lease with Americal, Inc. of Aberdeen, South Dakota, for the construction, maintenance and operation of a hotel/motel lodging facility on a tract of land situated in Randall County, Texas, for the benefit of West Texas A&M University.

36-96

(Item 18)

**AUTHORIZATION FOR THE CHANCELLOR TO
NEGOTIATE AND EXECUTE A GROUND LEASE FOR
THE CONSTRUCTION OF ON-CAMPUS HOUSING FACILITIES
TEXAS A&M INTERNATIONAL UNIVERSITY**

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

The Board of Regents of The Texas A&M University System hereby authorizes the Chancellor of The Texas A&M University System, or his designee, to negotiate and execute a ground lease with American Campus Lifestyles Companies of Austin, Texas, or Century Development of Houston, Texas, for the construction, maintenance, and operation of On-Campus Housing Facilities at Texas A&M International University.

37-96

(Item 19)

**AUTHORIZATION FOR THE CHANCELLOR TO
EXECUTE A RIGHT-OF-WAY SANITARY SEWER PIPELINE
EASEMENT, A SURFACE EASEMENT FOR A LIFT STATION,
AND NECESSARY TEMPORARY CONSTRUCTION EASEMENTS
ACROSS TAES PROPERTY IN EL PASO COUNTY
THE TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY SYSTEM**

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

The Chancellor of The Texas A&M University System, or his designee, is authorized to execute a right-of-way sanitary sewer pipeline easement ten feet (10') in width and approximately 1,505 feet in length, a surface easement for a lift station containing approximately 9,582 square feet across the Texas Agricultural Experiment Station property in El Paso County, Texas, for a ten-year (10) term, and necessary temporary construction easements.

38-96

(Item 20)

**AUTHORIZATION FOR THE CHANCELLOR TO
EXECUTE FOUR UNDERGROUND PIPELINE
EASEMENTS AND A SURFACE EASEMENT ON
TAMU PROPERTY IN BURLESON COUNTY
THE TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY SYSTEM**

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

(38-96 continued)

The Chancellor of The Texas A&M University System, or his designee, is authorized to execute four (4) underground pipeline easements for a six-inch (6") natural gas collection pipeline system, measuring ten-feet (10') in width and a total of 947.58 rods (15,635.07 linear feet) in length and a surface easement containing 2,500 square feet (50' x 50') on Texas A&M University Farm property in Burleson County. Each easement will be for a ten-year (10) term in favor of Ferguson-Burleson County Gas Gathering System, retroactive to expiration. Total consideration for these easements is \$97,258.

39-96

(Item 21)

**AUTHORIZATION FOR THE CHANCELLOR TO
EXECUTE NECESSARY EASEMENTS FOR THE
CONSTRUCTION, MAINTENANCE AND OPERATIONS OF
A NATURAL GAS COLLECTION SYSTEM ACROSS
TAMU PROPERTY IN BRAZOS COUNTY
THE TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY SYSTEM**

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

The Chancellor of The Texas A&M University System, or his designee, is authorized to execute necessary easements for the construction, maintenance and operation of a natural gas collection system to include underground pipeline right-of-way and surface easements for compressor sites and/or pressure valves, in addition to necessary construction easements across Texas A&M University property west of FM 2818 in Brazos County, Texas. Each easement will be for a ten year (10) term in favor of Ferguson-Burleson County Gas Gathering System. Total consideration for the easements will be determined at the time the easements have been identified.



Ms. West announced that the March Board meeting would be held on the Prairie View A&M University campus.

Mr. McClure made a motion that the meeting be adjourned. There being no further business, Ms. West adjourned the meeting at 4:50 p.m., the same day.

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

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