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CONVENE BOARD MEETING – SEPTEMBER 24, 1998

A regular meeting of the Board of Regents of The Texas A&M University System was convened by Mr. Don Powell, Chairman of the Board of Regents, at 1:35 p.m., on Thursday, September 24, 1998. The meeting was held 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:

Mr. Don Powell, Chairman
Mr. T. Michael O’Connor, Vice Chairman
Mr. Robert H. Allen
Dr. Dionel E. Avilés
Mr. John H. Lindsey
Mr. Frederick D. McClure
Mr. Erle Nye
Ms. M. Guadalupe L. Rangel

The following member of the Board was not present when the meeting was convened:

Ms. Anne Armstrong

(Secretary’s Note: Ms. Armstrong joined the meeting the next day, September 25, 1998.)

INVOCATION

The invocation was presented by Mr. Dan Driver, a senior at West Texas A&M University, majoring in Business Management.

CHAIRMAN’S REMARKS

Mr. Powell introduced General Marc Cisneros, President of Texas A&M University-Kingsville (TAMU-K) and Dr. Keith McFarland, President of Texas A&M University-Commerce (TAMU-C).

CHANCELLOR’S REMARKS

Dr. Barry B. Thompson, Chancellor of The Texas A&M University System (TAMUS), reported that System-wide enrollment has grown considerably this year and is now in excess of 88,000 students led by the growth in enrollment at the flagship. He added that again, they are seeing heavy enrollment in the community colleges.
PROGRESS REPORT ON INCENTIVE PAY FOR FACULTY

Mr. Powell asked Mr. Allen to present this progress report. Mr. Allen said he was pleased to report that they have now reached another level of activity in connection with this study. He pointed out that the agenda referred to this as “incentive pay for faculty.” He said this should include the administrative side as well as faculty. Mr. Allen said he believes they are now prepared to recommend that the Board approve retaining an outside consulting firm to take this matter to conclusion. He said he expects to present progress reports between now and the first quarter of next year and maybe even have a final recommendation by the end of the first quarter. Mr. Allen said Texas A&M University (TAMU) is being used as the model, but it will be completely portable so as to be applied and/or adapted to all campuses and research institutions. He said one of the major areas needing full attention is funding the program, but believes there are solutions for that. Mr. Allen said there are numerous consultants with experience in this type of environment. He estimated that the cost of the consulting firm will be $100,000 to $200,000. Mr. Allen said he has been working on this project with Dr. Walter Wendler, Executive Assistant to the President of TAMU, and Mr. Dick Lindsay, Deputy Chancellor for Finance and Operations. They are excited about the project and expect to be back for further reporting and also for authorization with regard to the consulting firm.

Mr. Powell asked if Mr. Allen would have a recommendation for action at the December Board meeting. Mr. Allen replied in the affirmative.

PROGRESS REPORT ON SCHOLARSHIP OPPORTUNITIES FOR DISADVANTAGED STUDENTS

Mr. Powell called on Mr. Nye for this report. Mr. Nye said this grows out of the 5th U.S. Circuit Court decision in which the Supreme Court refused Writ of Certiorari, in the case of Hopwood vs. Texas. Mr. Nye said this has presented a problem of scholarships and financial aid. He said the Dallas Morning News has reported that 48 percent of Texas school children, according to the federal guidelines, are at or below the poverty level. So no matter what their academic qualifications, they cannot afford to attend an upper level university. Mr. Nye said the need is to get more financial support to insure that Texas’ minority students are not being detracted out-of-state. For every undergraduate student that leaves Texas to attend a university out-of-state, 65 percent do not return. That suggests a “brain drain” and it has tragic implications socially and demographically for the state.

Mr. Nye said that Dr. Ray Bowen, President of TAMU, and Dr. Ed Davis, President of the A&M Development Foundation, have been working on this problem at TAMU. He said they have met on a couple of occasions with a number of large industries and representatives of those industries, and there is an indication that there is an interest. He said the Foundation Board has this matter under consideration and there is obviously a great amount of sympathy for the problem and an interest in pursuing that problem. The Foundation must be in strict compliance with the law.
Mr. Nye said he has discussed this matter with Senator Bill Ratliff, Chairman of the Senate Finance Committee, regarding the possibility of the Legislature funding a significant number of scholarships for Texas resident students. He said Senator Ratliff has made it clear that there is a need to retain these highly talented and gifted minority students in Texas and there is a lot of sympathy for putting forward a substantial sum of money which would be made available. These scholarships would be made available to all students, and wouldn't be race based, but it is considered that there would be sufficient funds to retain a large number of academically excelling minority students and retain them in Texas. Mr. Nye said they are talking in the order of $500 million and that could make a significant difference. Mr. Nye said he is encouraged by the progress and hopefully will have more to report at a later date.

**ACTION ON ITEM 39**

Dr. Bowen presented Item 39 and the Board took action as set forth below:

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**MINUTE ORDER 168-98 (AGENDA ITEM 39)**

**ADOPTION OF RESOLUTION**

**HONORING DR. CAROLYN M. ADAIR**

**AND GRANTING THE TITLE OF EMERITUS,**

**TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY**

On motion of Mr. McClure, seconded by Mr. Nye and by a unanimous vote, the following resolution was adopted:

Whereas, Dr. Carolyn M. Adair has served Texas A&M University for over 25 years; and

Whereas, Dr. Adair is an Aggie, having received a Master of Education degree in 1969 and a Doctor of Philosophy degree in 1975, both from Texas A&M University; and

Whereas, since 1974 Dr. Adair has served as the first and only Director of the Department of Student Activities; and

Whereas, during those years Dr. Adair has mentored, advised, taught supervised, and directed tens of thousands of students and hundreds of staff members; and

Whereas, Dr. Adair initiated the concept of recognizing student organizations at Texas A&M University and continually promoted involvement by students so that Texas A&M now has the largest number of student organizations of any university in the country; and
Whereas, Dr. Adair actively promoted the value of the development, growth and learning that students experience through “the other education” at Texas A&M University by involving and applying themselves in organizations and activities outside the classroom; and

Whereas, Dr. Adair has continuously advised the Student Government Association for 24 years and has positively influenced the lives of student leaders at Texas A&M University, while also working directly with these students to enhance the value of Student Government through the planning and development of such programs as the Conference on Student Government Associations, Parent’s Weekend, Traditions Council, The Big Event, Winter Spirit of Aggieland, and Replant; and

Whereas, Dr. Adair has been instrumental through programs such as Fish Camp and T-Camp in providing the best and most enthusiastic “welcome to Aggieland” to students for 25 years; and

Whereas, Dr. Adair has further influenced the lives of many Aggies through the creation of new programs and activities as well as the enhancement of others, including Freshman Leadership Development Seminars, student publications, Greek Life, volunteer and community service, and vocal music groups; and

Whereas, Dr. Adair has been the recipient of numerous awards for her outstanding service, including the Association of Former Students Distinguished Achievement Award in Student Relations and the Outstanding Administrator Award from the Student Government Association, and

Whereas, Dr. Adair’s life and career has been about serving the students and former students at Texas A&M University as an administrator, a friend, a community servant, and most importantly as a teacher and mentor who made it possible for her students to believe in themselves and their abilities to accomplish their dreams; now, therefore be it

Resolved, that the Board of Regents of The Texas A&M University System expresses its appreciation for Dr. Carolyn M. Adair’s dedicated service to Texas A&M University and its students by conferring upon her the title “Director of Student Activities Emeritus,” to be effective with her retirement on May 31, 1998; 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 Dr. Carolyn M. Adair and to the Archives of Texas A&M University as an expression of her remarkable leadership and dedication to The Texas A&M University System.

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Mr. Powell presented a framed resolution to Dr. Adair.
Mr. Powell recessed the meeting at 1:50 p.m.

(Secretary’s Note: Part of the meeting of the Committee on Academic and Students Affairs was held from 1:51 p.m. to 3:16 p.m.)

At 3:30 p.m., Mr. Powell 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, including Items 37, 38, 40, 41 and 42.

Mr. Powell 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.

Mr. Powell asked the following members of the administration to stay for the closed session: Dr. Thompson; Dr. Leo Sayavedra, Deputy Chancellor for Academic Institutions and Agencies; Mr. Dick Lindsay, Deputy Chancellor for Finance and Operations; Mr. Delmar Cain, General Counsel; and Ms. Tami Sayko, Chancellor’s Chief of Staff. Mr. Powell announced that the following would be called on for reports during the closed session: Dr. Bowen, Dr. Charles Hines, President of Prairie View A&M University (PVAMU), Dr. Stephen Hensley, President of Texas A&M University-Texarkana (TAMU-T); and Mr. Frank Clark, System Director of Internal Audit.

At 6:25 p.m., Mr. Powell reconvened the meeting of the Board in open session and announced that the Board had met in closed session from 3:30 p.m. until 6:24 p.m.

Mr. Powell announced that the Board would recess and reconvene at 8:30 a.m. the next morning, September 25, 1998, and continue with its agenda.
Mr. Powell reconvened the meeting of the Board at 8:30 a.m. The following members of the Board were present:

Mr. Don Powell, Chairman
Mr. T. Michael O’Connor, Vice Chairman
Mr. Robert H. Allen
Ms. Anne Armstrong
Dr. Dionel E. Avilés
Mr. John H. Lindsey
Mr. Frederick D. McClure
Mr. Erle Nye
Ms. M. Guadalupe L. Rangel

Mr. Powell called on Dr. Stanton Calvert, Vice Chancellor for State and Public Affairs.

**LEGISLATIVE UPDATE**

Dr. Calvert presented a legislative update. Copies of his handouts are on file in the Office of the Board of Regents. Dr. Calvert’s report included background session environment issues, proposals already forwarded and on the table by major elected state leaders, and the TAMUS appropriations agenda.

**REPORT ON TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY**

Dr. Bowen presented a video. He explained that TAMU is a land, sea and space grant university. The official enrollment is 43,399 students, which does not include the 1,000 plus at Texas A&M University at Galveston (TAMUG). He said TAMU has 2,400 faculty and operates on a 5,000-acre campus.

Dr. Bowen presented slides showing enrollment information, including graduate and undergraduate, resident and international, enrollment by college, gender, ethnicity and class rank. He explained the effects of Hopwood on minority enrollment. He said he thinks there will be a long continuing debate regarding House Bill 588 (the top 10 percent bill) and if its proposed benefits are actually achieved. Dr. Bowen said it’s hard to determine the benefits of House Bill 588 by analyzing the numbers. The good news is House Bill 588 did no harm and it probably helped in terms of marketing TAMU. Dr. Bowen then presented slides showing admission rates and discussed the application process.
Next, Dr. Bowen described Vision 2020 -- to continue the academic evolution of TAMU so that it is generally considered one of the top 10 best public universities in America by the Year 2020 -- while maintaining or even enhancing the unique features that make TAMU distinct. He explained that the goal for completion is April of 1999. Dr. Bowen presented selected observations from the various groups working on the project.

Dr. Bowen then discussed the Sterling C. Evans Library, the renovation of the Cushing Library, and national rankings. Dr. Steve Smith then announced a recent gift by John and Sara Lindsey -- The Kelmscott Chaucer produced in 1896 by William Morris.

**REPORT ON TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY-CORPUS CHRISTI**

Dr. Robert Furgason, President of Texas A&M University-Corpus Christi (TAMU-CC), presented an update. By a slide presentation he provided information on enrollment, student surveys, programs for teachers retention and joint programs with other universities. He explained challenges faced by the university including salaries of faculty and staff salaries. He discussed the capital campaign, the new Performing Arts Center and the Early Childhood Development Center. He concluded by discussing TAMU-CC’s legislative agenda, including special item funding.

**RECESS**

Mr. Powell recessed the meeting at 10:40 a.m.

*(Secretary’s Note: The meeting of the Committee on Finance was held from 11:00 a.m. to 11:15 a.m.)*

**RECONVENE**

Mr. Powell reconvened the meeting at 11:16 a.m. Mr. Powell introduced Senator Troy Fraser, and said he represents District 24 that includes 21 counties spanning west-northwest from Temple/Killeen to Colorado City. Senator Fraser thanked Mr. Powell and addressed Item 45. Senator Fraser said he is confident that this is a move toward very good public policy for the State of Texas. He said the concept for a university center is a very economical way for the state to provide affordable, public education in areas that need it. Senator Fraser said he was very optimistic in the funding for this project.

**RECESS**

Mr. Powell recessed the meeting at 11:19 a.m.

*(Secretary’s Note: The meeting of the Committee on Academic and Student Affairs was reconvened at 11:20 a.m. and recessed at 12:00 noon.)*
Mr. Powell reconvened the meeting at 1:30 p.m.

REMARKS FROM CHANCELLOR’S STUDENT ADVISORY BOARD

Mr. Powell called on Mr. J. B. Horton, Chair of the Chancellor’s Student Advisory Board (CSAB). Mr. Horton introduced Ms. Valerie Martinez, Vice Chair for Legislative Affairs from Tarleton State University (TSU) and Mr. Arturo Sanchez, Vice Chair for Administration, Texas A&M International University (TAMIU). Mr. Horton recognized Mr. Don Albright and Ms. Verna Dewees. Mr. Horton said they are working on three issues dealing with endowment, textbooks, and the selection of the Chancellor.

The following members of the CSAB presented remarks specific to their respective universities: John Wheeler, Baylor College of Dentistry (BCD); Alzo Slade, Prairie View A&M University (PVAMU); Tawain Gilbert, Texas A&M University-Commerce (TAMU-C); Laurie Nickel, Texas A&M University (TAMU); Clay Caldwell, Texas A&M University-Corpus Christi (TAMU-CC); Alex Strogan, Texas A&M University at Galveston (TAMUG); Arturo Sanchez, Texas A&M International University (TAMIU); Kris Fernandez, Texas A&M University-Kingsville (TAMU-K); Shawna Haddock, Texas A&M University-Texarkana (TAMU-T); Troy Morris, Tarleton State University (TSU); and J. B. Horton, West Texas A&M University (WTAMU).

REPORT ON WEST TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY

Dr. Russell Long, President of WTAMU, presented an update on activities at his university. Dr. Long discussed the Old Main Society whose members have contributed $7,845,504 to WTAMU and the WTAMU Foundation; the establishment of a charter school targeting at-risk middle school students; the reversion of 12.01 acres and facilities of the Palo Duro Hospital to the university; trends in enrollment; teacher prep rating; advantages of providing used textbooks; financial aid; and, distance learning.

RECESS

Mr. Powell recessed the meeting at 2:29 p.m.

(Secretary’s Note: The meeting of the Committee on Academic and Student Affairs reconvened at 2:30 p.m. and recessed at 3:00 p.m.)

RECONVENE

Mr. Powell reconvened the meeting at 3:01 p.m.
Mr. Powell called on Dr. Thompson to present Item 36 (Granting of Titles of Regents Professor and Regents Fellow for 1997-98). Dr. Lee introduced the recipients. Mr. Powell and Dr. Thompson presented medallions and framed certificates to the following honorees: Dr. Gilbert Triplett, Dr. Robert Beck Clark, Dr. Linda H. Parrish, Dr. Jane Wilhour, Dr. Leslie G. Hunter, Dr. L. S. “Skip” Fletcher, Dr. Fuller Bazer, Dr. Addison Lee Lawrence, Mr. John H. South, Dr. James R. Supak, Mr. Bobby R. Young, Dr. John C. Reagor, Ms. Carol J. Cantrell, Mr. Jesse E. Watson and Dr. Hayes E. Ross, Jr.

(Secretary’s Note: Dr. James Giermanski was not present.)

Mr. Nye suggested having a recognition ceremony at the recipients’ respective campus or center.

Dr. Thompson recognized Dr. Charles Lee, Vice Chancellor for Research, Planning and Continuing Education, for his contributions with the Health Science Center, the Killeen Center, and for putting together the Regents Professorship and Regents Fellow.

**RECESS**

Mr. Powell recessed the meeting at 3:15 p.m.

(Secretary’s Note: The meeting of the Committee for Academic and Student Affairs reconvened at 3:25 p.m. and adjourned at 3:35 p.m.)

**RECONVENE**

Mr. Powell reconvened the meeting at 3:35 p.m.

**REPORT FROM THE DIRECTOR OF THE TEXAS ENGINEERING EXTENSION SERVICE**

Dr. Kem Bennett, Director of the Texas Engineering Extension Service (TEEX), presented a report on the efforts of the Texas Forest Service (TFS) and TEEX in the search and rescue efforts provided for those affected by the tragedy in Del Rio caused by Storm Charlie.

**REPORT FROM THE COMMITTEE ON AUDIT**

Mr. McClure, Chairman of the Committee on Audit, reported that he hoped the Committee would meet in October.
Mr. O’Connor, Chairman of the Transportation Committee, reported that he had asked Mr. Lindsay and his staff to prepare a number of schedules regarding aircraft utilization through year-end (August 31, 1998). He said utilization is up by about 50 percent from 1997. The information being finalized at this time includes the following: An analysis of fiscal year revenues and expenses; an update of aircraft utilization, maintenance and alternative transportation potential; an analysis of Pooling Board plane utilization; an analysis of alternative billing procedures; and, a summary of pilot qualifications. Mr. O’Connor said this information will be used as a basis for any recommendations that the committee will make to the full Board. He said he expects to call a committee meeting and present a report at the next Board meeting.

Mr. Powell called on Dr. Avilés for the report of the Committee on Buildings and Physical Plant.

Dr. Avilés, Chairman of the Committee on Buildings and Physical Plant, said the Committee met on September 22, 1998, in Houston, Texas, and recommended approval of Items 1 through 18. The Board took action as set forth below:

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MINUTE ORDER 169-98 (AGENDA ITEM 1)

AUTHORIZATION FOR THE PURCHASE OF LAND AND IMPROVEMENTS, STEPHENVILLE, ERATH COUNTY, TEXAS, THE TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY SYSTEM

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

The Chancellor of The Texas A&M University System, or his designee, following recommendation by the System Real Estate Office and legal review by the Office of General Counsel, is authorized to execute all documents necessary to purchase the land and improvements described as Lots 1, 2, 3 and 4, Block 39 of the King’s Revised Map of College View Addition, Stephenville, Erath County, Texas. The purchase price of Sixty Thousand Dollars ($60,000.00) plus closing costs will be paid from Tarleton State University’s Land Acquisition-Local Fund, Account No. 818300.
MINUTE ORDER 170-98 (AGENDA ITEM 2)

NAMING OF THE
JOE W. AUTRY AGRICULTURE BUILDING,
TARLETON STATE UNIVERSITY

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

The Agriculture Building on the campus of Tarleton State University is hereby named the “Joe W. Autry Agriculture Building.”

MINUTE ORDER 171-98 (AGENDA ITEM 2)

NAMING OF THE
EDWARD H. HARTE PERFORMING ARTS CENTER,
TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY-CORPUS CHRISTI

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

The Performing Arts Center on the campus of Texas A&M University-Corpus Christi is hereby named the “Edward H. Harte Performing Arts Center.”

MINUTE ORDER 172-98 (AGENDA ITEM 3)

APPROVAL OF THE PROGRAM OF REQUIREMENTS,
APPROPRIATION FOR PRELIMINARY DESIGN AND
SELECTION OF THE ARCHITECT/ENGINEER DESIGN TEAM
FOR THE FINE ARTS BUILDING,
TEXAS A&M INTERNATIONAL UNIVERSITY

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

The program of requirements for the Fine Arts Building at Texas A&M International University is approved.

Supplementing a previous appropriation of $15,000.00, the amount of $335,000.00 is appropriated from Higher Education Assistance Funding for preliminary design for the Fine Arts Building at Texas A&M International University.

The firm of Aguirre Corporation of Dallas, Texas, is selected to head the architect/engineer design team for the Fine Arts Building at Texas A&M International 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.

**MINUTE ORDER 173-98 (AGENDA ITEM 4)**

**APPROVAL OF THE PROGRAM OF REQUIREMENTS, APPROPRIATION FOR DESIGN AND SELECTION OF THE ARCHITECT/ENGINEER DESIGN TEAM FOR THE PARKING LOT AND ACCESS DRIVE, TEXAS A&M INTERNATIONAL UNIVERSITY**

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

The program of requirements for the Parking Lot and Access Drive at Texas A&M International University is approved.

Supplementing a previous appropriation of $5,000.00, the amount of $255,000.00 is appropriated from Revenue Financing System Earnings for design for the Parking Lot and Access Drive at Texas A&M International University.

The firm of Aguirre Corporation of Dallas, Texas, is selected to head the architect/engineer design team for the Parking Lot and Access Drive at Texas A&M International 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.

**MINUTE ORDER 174–98 (AGENDA ITEM 5)**

**APPROVAL OF THE PROGRAM OF REQUIREMENTS, APPROPRIATION FOR PRELIMINARY DESIGN AND SELECTION OF THE ARCHITECT/ENGINEER DESIGN TEAM FOR THE SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY BUILDING, TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY-CORPUS CHRISTI**

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

The program of requirements for the Science and Technology Building at Texas A&M University-Corpus Christi is approved.

Supplementing a previous appropriation of $20,000.00, the amount of $270,000.00 is appropriated from Board Authorized Tuition for preliminary design for the Science and Technology Building at Texas A&M University-Corpus Christi.

The firm of HKCP, Jennings, Hackler and Partners, Inc. of Dallas, Texas, is selected to head the architect/engineer design team for the Science and Technology Building at Texas A&M University-Corpus Christi.

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.
MINUTE ORDER 175–98 (AGENDA ITEM 6)

APPROVAL OF THE PROGRAM OF REQUIREMENTS, APPROPRIATION FOR DESIGN AND SELECTION OF THE ARCHITECT/ENGINEER DESIGN TEAM FOR THE PHYSICAL CONDITIONING LABORATORY, TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY-KINGSVILLE

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

The program of requirements for the Physical Conditioning Laboratory at Texas A&M University-Kingsville is approved.

Supplementing a previous appropriation of $9,000.00, the amount of $60,000.00 is appropriated from Private Gifts for design for the Physical Conditioning Laboratory at Texas A&M University-Kingsville.

The firm of Ferrell/Brown & Associates at Corpus Christi, Texas, is selected to head the architect/engineer design team for the Physical Conditioning Laboratory at Texas A&M University-Kingsville.

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).

MINUTE ORDER 176–98 (AGENDA ITEM 7)


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

The program of requirements for the Regional Health Science Education Center, Texas A&M University System Health Science Center, Temple, Texas, is approved.

Supplementing a previous appropriation of $15,000.00, the amount of $123,000.00 is appropriated from Texas A&M University Board Authorized Tuition for the Texas A&M University System Health Science Center share of the
preliminary design for the Regional Health Science Education Center, Texas A&M University System Health Science Center, Temple, Texas.

The amount of $87,000.00 is required from Scott & White Memorial Hospital and the Scott, Sherwood and Brindley Foundation under the terms of the Memorandum of Agreement for their share of the preliminary design for the Regional Health Science Education Center, Texas A&M University System Health Science Center, Temple, Texas.

The firm of Ray Bailey Architects, Inc. of Houston, Texas, is selected to head the architect/engineer design team for the Regional Health Science Education Center, Texas A&M University System Health Science Center, Temple, Texas.

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).

The Chancellor of The Texas A&M University System, or his designee, after receiving recommendations from the System Real Estate Office and a legal review by the Office of General Counsel, is authorized to negotiate and execute a Memorandum of Agreement, a ground lease and an operating agreement with the Scott & White Memorial Hospital and the Scott, Sherwood and Brindley Foundation for purposes of designing, constructing and operating the Regional Health Education Center on the Scott & White campus in Temple, Texas.

**MINUTE ORDER 177–98 (AGENDA ITEM 8)**

**APPROVAL OF THE PROGRAM OF REQUIREMENTS, APPROPRIATION FOR DESIGN AND SELECTION OF THE ARCHITECT/ENGINEER DESIGN TEAM FOR THE DOMESTIC WATER SYSTEM IMPROVEMENTS, TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY**

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

The program of requirements for the Domestic Water System Improvements at Texas A&M University is approved.

Supplementing a previous appropriation of $10,000.00, the amount of $335,000.00 is appropriated from Utility System Revenue Fund for design for the Domestic Water System Improvements at Texas A&M University.

The firm of Freese & Nichols, Inc. of Fort Worth, Texas, is selected to head the architect/engineer design team for the Domestic Water System Improvements 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).

**MINUTE ORDER 178–98 (AGENDA ITEM 9)**

**APPROVAL OF THE PROGRAM OF REQUIREMENTS, APPROPRIATION FOR DESIGN AND SELECTION OF THE ARCHITECT/ENGINEER DESIGN TEAM FOR THE UNIVERSITY APARTMENTS COMMUNITY CENTER, TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY**

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

The program of requirements for the University Apartments Community Center at Texas A&M University is approved.

Supplementing a previous appropriation of $10,000.00, the amount of $180,000.00 is appropriated from Student Family Apartments System Revenue Fund for design for the University Apartments Community Center at Texas A&M University.

The firm of Ferro-Saylors, Inc. of Houston, Texas, is selected to head the architect/engineer design team for the University Apartments Community Center 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).

**MINUTE ORDER 179–98 (AGENDA ITEM 10)**

**APPROVAL OF THE PROGRAM OF REQUIREMENTS, APPROPRIATION FOR DESIGN AND SELECTION OF THE ARCHITECT/ENGINEER DESIGN TEAM FOR THE EASTERWOOD AIRPORT IMPROVEMENTS, PHASE II, TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY**

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

The program of requirements for the Easterwood Airport Improvements, Phase II at Texas A&M University is approved.
Supplementing a previous appropriation of $25,000.00, the amount of $330,000.00 is appropriated from Airport Operations for design for the Easterwood Airport Improvement at Texas A&M University.

The firm of KSA Engineers, Inc. of Longview, Texas, is selected to head the architect/engineer design team for the Easterwood Airport Improvements, Phase II at Texas A&M University and for design of work utilizing FAA Discretionary Funds that may be received during the next three years.

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).

MINUTE ORDER 180–98 (AGENDA ITEM 11-REVISED)

APPROVAL OF THE PROGRAM OF REQUIREMENTS, APPROPRIATION FOR DESIGN AND SELECTION OF THE ARCHITECT/ENGINEER DESIGN TEAM FOR THE URBAN SEARCH AND RESCUE TRAINING CENTER, TEXAS ENGINEERING EXTENSION SERVICE

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

The program of requirements for the Urban Search and Rescue Training Center, Texas Engineering Extension Service, College Station, Texas, is approved.

Supplementing a previous appropriation of $10,000.00, the amount of $125,000.00 is appropriated from Fire Field Operations for design for the Urban Search and Rescue Training Center, Texas Engineering Extension Service, College Station, Texas.

The firm of Esmond Engineering, Inc. of College Station, Texas, is selected to head the architect/engineer design team for the Urban Search and Rescue Training Center, Texas Engineering Extension Service, College Station, Texas.

MINUTE ORDER 181–98 (AGENDA ITEM 12-REVISED)

APPROVAL OF THE PROGRAM OF REQUIREMENTS, APPROPRIATION FOR DESIGN AND SELECTION OF THE ARCHITECT/ENGINEER DESIGN TEAM FOR THE COASTAL ENGINEERING LAB, TEXAS ENGINEERING EXPERIMENT STATION
On motion of Mr. Lindsey, seconded by Mr. O’Connor and by a unanimous vote, the following minute order was adopted:

The program of requirements for the Coastal Engineering Lab, Texas Engineering Experiment Station, College Station, Texas, is approved.

Supplementing a previous appropriation of $90,000.00, the amount of $355,000.00 is appropriated from Program Development - TEES for design for the Coastal Engineering Lab, Texas Engineering Experiment Station, College Station, Texas.

The firm of Jessen, Inc., Architects and Planners of Austin, Texas, is selected to head the architect/engineer design team for the Coastal Engineering Lab, Texas Engineering Experiment Station, College Station, Texas.

MINUTE ORDER 182–98 (AGENDA ITEM 13-REVISED)

ACTION ON BIDS TO
REPLACE COOLING TOWERS 9, 10, 11 AND 12,
TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY

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

Based on bids received August 25, 1998, the contract is awarded to Garrett Mechanical, Inc. of Bryan, Texas, at $5,756,640.00, the low base bid and Alternates 1, 2 and 3 to Replace Cooling Towers 9, 10, 11 and 12, at Texas A&M University.

Supplementing previous appropriations of $675,000.00, the amount of $6,293,000.00 is appropriated from Revenue Financing System (Utility Revenue) to Replace Cooling Towers 9, 10, 11 and 12, 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 accounts 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.
MINUTE ORDER 183–98 (AGENDA ITEM 14-REVISED)

ACTION ON BIDS
FOR THE CENTRAL PLANT EQUIPMENT UPGRADE,
PRAIRIE VIEW A&M UNIVERSITY

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

Based on bids received August 26, 1998, the contract is awarded to K&S Construction, Inc. of Houston, Texas, at $1,272,800.00, the low base bid and Alternates 1 and 2 for the Central Plant Equipment Upgrade at Prairie View A&M University.

Supplementing previous appropriations of $140,000.00, the amount of $1,475,000.00 is appropriated from the Available University Fund for the Central Plant Equipment Upgrade at Prairie View 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).

MINUTE ORDER 184–98 (AGENDA ITEM 15-REVISED)

ACTION ON A BID
FOR THE INTRAMURAL COMPLEX,
TEXAS A&M INTERNATIONAL UNIVERSITY

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

The bid received September 3, 1998, for the Intramural Complex at Texas A&M International University is rejected. The project architect/engineer design team is directed to re-scope and redesign the project for rebidding at a future date.

MINUTE ORDER 185–98 (AGENDA ITEM 16-REVISED)

ACTION ON BIDS
FOR THE CAMPUS HVAC SYSTEM IMPROVEMENTS,
TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY-KINGSVILLE

On motion of Mr. Lindsey, seconded by Mr. O'Connor and by a unanimous vote, the following minute order was adopted:
Based on bids received September 1, 1998, the contract is awarded to R.E.C. Industries, Inc. of Bryan, Texas, at $4,827,000.00, the low base bid and Alternates 1, 2, 3 and 4 for the Campus HVAC System Improvements at Texas A&M University-Kingsville.

Supplementing previous appropriations of $845,000.00, the amount of $1,271,375.00 is appropriated from Higher Education Assistance Fund; $2,072,144.00 from a LoanSTAR Loan; $2,400,000.00 from Revenue Financing System (Tuition Revenue); and $261,481.00 from Auxiliary Maintenance Reserve for the Campus HVAC System Improvements at Texas A&M University-Kingsville.

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.

**MINUTE ORDER 186–98 (AGENDA ITEM 17)**

**AUTHORIZATION TO USE THE COMPETITIVE SEALED PROPOSAL PROCESS FOR THE**
**NEW SCIENCE BUILDING AT TARLETON STATE UNIVERSITY,**
**NEW SCIENCE BUILDING AT PRAIRIE VIEW A&M UNIVERSITY,**
**AND STUDENT DEVELOPMENT CENTER AT TEXAS A&M INTERNATIONAL UNIVERSITY**

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

Authorization is granted to use the competitive sealed proposal method of procurement for project delivery on the New Science Building at Tarleton State University, the New Science Building at Prairie View A&M University, and the Student Development Center at Texas A&M International University.

Authorization is granted to the Chancellor to approve the Order of Ranking of contractors/proposers prior to bringing contract award recommendations to the Board of Regents for these projects.
MINUTE ORDER 187–98 (AGENDA ITEM 18)

AUTHORIZATION FOR THE CHANCELLOR
to Take Action on Bids for a
Water Well for the Water System Improvements,
Prairie View A&M University

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

Authorization is granted to the Chancellor to take action on the bids when received; to appropriate funds and to do any and all things necessary within funds available to accomplish the water well for the Water System Improvements at Prairie View A&M University.

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Mr. Powell called on Mr. Nye for the report of the Committee on Finance.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON FINANCE

Mr. Nye, Chairman of the Committee on Finance, said the Committee met earlier the same day and recommended approval of Items 19 through 23. The Board took action as set forth below:

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MINUTE ORDER 188-98 (AGENDA ITEM 19)

APPROVAL OF
Norwest Bank as Local Depository,
Texas A&M University

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

In accordance with The Texas A&M University System Investment Policy, Section 22.02 (4), Norwest Bank is hereby approved as a local depository for Texas A&M University for a term of three years beginning October 1, 1998.

MINUTE ORDER 189-98 (AGENDA ITEM 20)

APPROPRIATION OF FUNDS
For Deferred Maintenance Projects,
Texas A&M University

On motion of Mr. Nye, seconded by Mr. McClure, and by a unanimous vote, the following minute order was adopted:
An amount of $6,000,000 in Revenue Financing System Debt proceeds (University Authorized Tuition) is hereby appropriated for Texas A&M University Deferred Maintenance Projects - FY 1999.

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.

MINUTE ORDER 190-98 (AGENDA ITEM 21)

APPROVAL OF DISTRIBUTION OF INCOME FROM THE ESTATE OF ARDELLA R. HELM TO TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY, ABILENE CHRISTIAN UNIVERSITY AND TEXAS WOMAN’S UNIVERSITY

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

Distribution of the available income for calendar year 1997 from the Estate of Ardella R. Helm to Texas A&M University ($52,586.74), Abilene Christian University ($26,293.38), and Texas Woman’s University ($26,293.38) is approved.

MINUTE ORDER 191-98 (AGENDA ITEM 22)

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

On motion of Mr. Nye, seconded by Mr. McClure, 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 Members of The Texas A&M University System concerned as shown on Gifts, Grants, Loans and Bequests List No. 98-99-01, a copy of which is attached to the official minutes as Exhibit A.
MINUTE ORDER 192-98 (AGENDA ITEM 23)

ACCEPTANCE OF
REPORT OF APPROPRIATIONS BY THE CHANCELLOR,
THE TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY SYSTEM

On motion of Mr. Nye, 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:

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To the extent any of these appropriations are obligations of the Revenue Financing System, and 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.

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Mr. Powell called on Ms. Rangel for the report of the Committee on Academic and Students Affairs.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON ACADEMIC AND STUDENT AFFAIRS

Ms. Rangel, Chairman of the Committee on Academic and Student Affairs, said the Committee recommended approval of Items 24 through 32, 44 and 45. The Board took action as set forth below:

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MINUTE ORDER 193-98 (AGENDA ITEM 24)

AUTHORIZATION TO SEEK APPROVAL FROM THE TEXAS HIGHER EDUCATION COORDINATING BOARD TO INITIATE A PROGRAM LEADING TO A MASTER OF SCIENCE DEGREE IN JUVENILE JUSTICE, PRAIRIE VIEW A&M UNIVERSITY

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

The President of Prairie View A&M University is authorized to seek from the Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board a proposal initiating a graduate program leading to a Master of Science Degree in Juvenile Justice.

The Board of Regents has considered the request for this authorization in light of the statutory objectives of Prairie View A&M University, the need for students in Texas to be trained in this field, and the cost of such training. The Board believes this request is justified and that Prairie View A&M University should be authorized to add a Master of Science degree in Juvenile Justice to its approved degree program inventory.

MINUTE ORDER 194-98 (AGENDA ITEM 25)

AUTHORIZATION TO SUBMIT PROPOSAL TO THE TEXAS HIGHER EDUCATION COORDINATING BOARD FOR PHASE TWO OF ACADEMIC REORGANIZATION PLAN, INCLUDING NON-SUBSTANTIVE ADMINISTRATIVE AND PROGRAM CHANGES, PRAIRIE VIEW A&M UNIVERSITY

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

The President of Prairie View A&M University is authorized to submit to the Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board Phase Two of its Academic Reorganization Plan, a copy of which is attached to the official minutes as Exhibit B, including non-substantive administrative and program changes.

MINUTE ORDER 195-98 (AGENDA ITEM 26)

AMENDMENT OF MINUTE ORDER 141-81 TO CHANGE THE NAME OF THE MICROCIRCULATION RESEARCH INSTITUTE TO THE CARDIOVASCULAR RESEARCH INSTITUTE, TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY

On motion of Ms. Rangel, seconded by Mr. O’Connor and by a unanimous vote, the following minute order was adopted:
Minute Order No. 141-81 is hereby amended to allow for a name change of the Microcirculation Research Institute to the Cardiovascular Research Institute, effective immediately.

**MINUTE ORDER 196-98 (AGENDA ITEM 27)**

**APPROVAL OF CONCEPT PAPER**
**FOR THE AEROSPACE VEHICLE SYSTEMS INSTITUTE, TEXAS ENGINEERING EXPERIMENT STATION**

On motion of Ms. Rangel, seconded by Mr. O'Connor and by a unanimous vote, the Board approved the concept paper for the establishment of the Aerospace Vehicle Systems Institute, Texas Engineering Experiment Station, a copy of which is attached to the official minutes as Exhibit C. The administration is directed to proceed with the full-scale development of the proposal for Board approval.

**MINUTE ORDER 197-98 (AGENDA ITEM 28)**

**APPROVAL OF CONCEPT PAPER**
**FOR THE ANALOG AND MIXED-SIGNAL CENTER, TEXAS ENGINEERING EXPERIMENT STATION**

On motion of Ms. Rangel, seconded by Mr. O'Connor and by a unanimous vote, the Board approved the concept paper for the establishment of the Analog and Mixed Signal Center, Texas Engineering Experiment Station, a copy of which is attached to the official minutes as Exhibit D. The administration is directed to proceed with the full-scale development of the proposal for Board approval.

**MINUTE ORDER 198-98 (AGENDA ITEM 29)**

**AUTHORIZATION TO FORMALLY CLOSE**
**THE PROGRAM FOR AUTOMATION IN MANUFACTURING, TEXAS ENGINEERING EXPERIMENT STATION**

On motion of Ms. Rangel, 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 hereby formally closes the Program for Automation in Manufacturing.

**MINUTE ORDER 199-98 (AGENDA ITEM 30)**

**ESTABLISHMENT OF THE COMMERCIAL SPACE CENTER FOR ENGINEERING, TEXAS ENGINEERING EXPERIMENT STATION**

On motion of Ms. Rangel, seconded by Mr. O'Connor and by a unanimous vote, the following minute order was adopted:
The Commercial Space Center for Engineering is established as a center within the Texas Engineering Experiment Station (TEES) and will report directly to the Director of TEES. The Director(s) of the Commercial Space Center for Engineering shall be appointed by the Director of the Texas Engineering Experiment Station.

**MINUTE ORDER 200-98 (AGENDA ITEM 31)**

**APPROVAL OF DESIGNATION OF CENTER FOR PORTS AND WATERWAYS AS A NATIONAL MARITIME ENHANCEMENT INSTITUTE, TEXAS TRANSPORTATION INSTITUTE**

On motion of Ms. Rangel, 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 hereby approves the designation of the Texas Transportation Institute's Center for Ports and Waterways as a National Maritime Enhancement Institute (NMEI).

**MINUTE ORDER 201-98 (AGENDA ITEM 32)**

**APPROVAL OF ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS FOR THE 1999-00 ACADEMIC YEAR, THE TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY SYSTEM**

On motion of Ms. Rangel, 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 hereby approves the 1999-00 admission requirements for each component university, on terms and conditions substantially the same as those contained in Exhibit E and Exhibit F, copies of which are attached to the official minutes.

**MINUTE ORDER 202-98 (AGENDA ITEM 44)**

**ADOPTION OF A RESOLUTION RECOGNIZING REPRESENTATIVE IRMA RANGEL, RECIPIENT OF THE MARGARET BRENT AWARD AND THE MIRABEAU B. LAMAR MEDAL, THE TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY SYSTEM**

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

Whereas, Representative Irma Rangel recently received the Margaret Brent Women Lawyers of Achievement Award by the American Bar Association Commission on Women in the Profession, the most prestigious award presented
to women attorneys in the U.S., in recognition of her professional excellence as a lawyer and lawmaker; and

Whereas, The Honorable Irma Rangel, Chair of the Texas House of Representatives Committee on Higher Education, will be awarded the Mirabeau B. Lamar Medal by the Association of Texas Colleges and Universities on October 12, 1998, in recognition of her outstanding contributions to Texas higher education; and

Whereas, since 1976 Representative Rangel has been a member of the Texas House of Representatives from District 35 in South Texas and has graciously and passionately furnished leadership and guidance to the State and all public institutions of higher education, serving as Chair of the House Committee on Higher Education since 1995; and

Whereas, Representative Rangel spent 14 years as a school teacher and principal in South Texas, earned a law degree from St. Mary’s Law School, conducted a successful law practice in her community and became a legislator, thereby exemplifying the best of those venerable Texas pioneer traits of hard work, leadership and service to others; and

Whereas, Representative Rangel has broken barriers and has served as a respected role model by becoming the first Mexican-American woman elected to the Texas House of Representatives, the first Mexican-American woman elected Chair of the Mexican-American Legislative Caucus and the first Mexican-American appointed Chair of the House Committee on Higher Education; and

Whereas, the Lamar Medal is named for the second President of the Republic of Texas, Mirabeau B. Lamar, known as the “Father of Education” and has been awarded only occasionally since 1977 to those rare individuals deemed to have rendered extraordinary and exemplary service to Texas higher education; and

Whereas, the recognition and honor bestowed upon Representative Rangel through the Lamar Medal is a direct result of her devoted and tireless personal and legislative efforts to increase both access and excellence for all deserving higher education students in the State of Texas, to reform the Texas Academic Skills Program, to improve the number and quality of certified public school teachers in Texas, to establish scholarships for worthy high school graduates, to establish a regional academic health center in the Rio Grande Valley, to require performance evaluations of tenured faculty, and to further the educational interests of student athletes; and

Whereas, the Margaret Brent Women Lawyers of Achievement Award by the American Bar Association Commission on Women in the Profession was established in 1991 to honor women lawyers who have achieved professional excellence and have actively paved the way to success for other women lawyers; and
Whereas, the honor and recognition bestowed upon Representative Rangel through the Margaret Brent Women Lawyers of Achievement Award are a direct result of her work in Texas to effectuate social change, her unwavering commitment to higher education and the students it serves, her devotion to her constituents and to all Texans; and

Whereas, Representative Rangel has been a proven friend and powerful supporter of Texas A&M University-Kingsville and other institutions of The Texas A&M University System; now, therefore, be it

Resolved, that the Board of Regents of The Texas A&M University System recognize with appreciation the outstanding contributions and achievements of Texas State Representative Irma Rangel on the occasion of her receiving the Margaret Brent Women Lawyers of Achievement Award by the American Bar Association Commission on Women the Profession, and the Mirabeau B. Lamar Medal by the Association of Texas Colleges and Universities; 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 Representative Rangel and to the Archives of The Texas A&M University System as an expression of her leadership and commitment to Texas higher education, The Texas A&M University System, and the State of Texas.

MINUTE ORDER 203-98 (AGENDA ITEM 45)

AUTHORIZATION TO SUBMIT PROPOSAL TO THE TEXAS HIGHER EDUCATION COORDINATING BOARD FOR THE ESTABLISHMENT OF A UNIVERSITY SYSTEM CENTER TO BE LOCATED IN KILLEEN, TEXAS;
RATIFICATION OF MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING BETWEEN THE TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY SYSTEM, TARLETON STATE UNIVERSITY AND THE UNIVERSITY OF CENTRAL TEXAS;
AUTHORIZATION TO SEEK APPROPRIATIONS IN THE 76TH SESSION OF THE TEXAS LEGISLATURE, TARLETON STATE UNIVERSITY

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

The Board of Regents authorizes the Chancellor of The Texas A&M University System and the President of Tarleton State University to submit a proposal to the Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board for the establishment of a University System Center to be located in Killeen, Texas. The establishment of the Center will conform to the “Supply/Demand Pathway” rules as adopted by the Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board.
The Board of Regents hereby ratifies the Memorandum of Understanding between The Texas A&M University System, Tarleton State University, and the University of Central Texas, a copy of which is attached to the official minutes as Exhibit G.

The Chancellor is further authorized to seek sufficient appropriations in the 76th Session of the Texas Legislature for the operation of the Center using the current formulas as a basis.

The Board of Regents approves the proposal for the creation of the University System Center in Central Texas, with Tarleton State University as the parent institution subject to the approval by the Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board, sufficient funding by the Legislature, and the donation of assets as set out in the Memorandum of Understanding.

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OTHER ITEMS

Mr. Powell presented Items 33 through 36.

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MINUTE ORDER 204–98 (AGENDA ITEM 33)

GRANTING OF ACADEMIC TENURE,
THE TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY SYSTEM

On motion of Mr. McClure, 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 faculty members as set forth on Tenure List 98-99-01, a copy of which is attached to the official minutes as Exhibit H.

MINUTE ORDER 205–98 (AGENDA ITEM 34)

GRANTING OF EMERITUS TITLES,
THE TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY SYSTEM

On motion of Mr. McClure, seconded by Mr. O’Connor and by a unanimous vote, the following minute order was adopted:
In recognition of long and distinguished service to The Texas A&M University System, the Board of Regents hereby confirms the recommendation of the Chancellor, and confers the title of “Emeritus/Emerita” upon individuals as shown on Emeritus Title List No. 98-99-01, a copy of which is attached to the official minutes as Exhibit I, and grants all rights and privileges of this title.

**MINUTE ORDER 206–98 (AGENDA ITEM 35)**

**APPOINTMENTS, PROMOTIONS AND DISMISSALS, THE TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY SYSTEM**

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

The appointments, promotions and dismissals 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 Appointment List No. 98-99-01, a copy of which is attached to the official minutes as Exhibit J, Promotion List No. 98-99-01, a copy of which is attached to the official minutes as Exhibit K, and Dismissals List 98-99-01, a copy of which is attached to the official minutes as Exhibit L, are hereby confirmed.

**MINUTE ORDER 207–98 (AGENDA ITEM 36)**

**GRANTING OF TITLES OF REGENTS PROFESSOR AND REGENTS FELLOW FOR 1997-98, THE TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY SYSTEM**

On motion of Mr. McClure, 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 hereby grants the designation of “Regents Professor” for 1997-98 to the following seven faculty members, effective September 25, 1998:

Dr. R. Gilbert Triplett, Baylor College of Dentistry
Dr. James Giemannski, Texas A&M International University
Dr. Robert Beck Clark, Texas A&M University
Dr. Linda H. Parrish, Texas A&M University
Dr. Jane Wilhour, Texas A&M University-Corpus Christi
Dr. Leslie G. Hunter, Texas A&M University-Kingsville
Dr. L. S. “Skip” Fletcher, Texas Engineering Experiment Station
The Board of Regents of The Texas A&M University System hereby grants the designation of “Regents Fellow” for 1997-98 to the following nine agency service, extension and research professionals, effective September 25, 1998:

Dr. Fuller W. Bazer, Texas Agricultural Experiment Station
Dr. Addison Lee Lawrence, Texas Agricultural Experiment Station
Mr. John H. South, Texas Agricultural Extension Service
Dr. James R. Supak, Texas Agricultural Extension Service
Mr. Bobby R. Young, Texas Forest Service
Dr. John C. Reagor, Texas Veterinary Medical Diagnostic Laboratory
Ms. Carol J. Cantrell, Texas Engineering Experiment Station
Mr. Jesse E. Watson, Texas Engineering Extension Service
Dr. Hayes E. Ross, Jr., Texas Transportation Institute

Dr. Hines presented Items 37 and 38. The Board took action as set forth below:

### MINUTE ORDER 208–98 (AGENDA ITEM 37)

**APPOINTMENT OF DR. WILLIE F. TROTTY AS VICE PRESIDENT FOR RESEARCH AND DEVELOPMENT, PRAIRIE VIEW A&M UNIVERSITY**

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

Upon recommendation of Dr. Barry B. Thompson, Chancellor, and Dr. Charles A. Hines, President, Dr. Willie F. Trotty is appointed as Vice President for Research and Development at Prairie View A&M University, effective October 1, 1998.

### MINUTE ORDER 209–98 (AGENDA ITEM 38)

**APPOINTMENT OF MR. LARRY L. RAAB AS VICE PRESIDENT FOR UNIVERSITY OPERATIONS, PRAIRIE VIEW A&M UNIVERSITY**

On motion of Mr. Allen, seconded by Mr. Nye and by a unanimous vote, the following minute order was adopted:
Upon recommendation of Dr. Barry B. Thompson, Chancellor, and Dr. Charles A. Hines, President, Mr. Larry L. Raab is appointed as Vice President for University Operations at Prairie View A&M University, effective October 1, 1998.

Dr. Bowen presented Items 40 and 41. The Board took action as set forth below:

MINUTE ORDER 210–98 (AGENDA ITEM 40)

APPOINTMENT OF DR. WALTER MICHAEL KEMP AS PRESIDENT OF THE TEXAS INSTITUTE OF OCEANOGRAPHY, TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY

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

Dr. Walter Michael Kemp, President and Chief Executive Officer of Texas A&M University at Galveston, is hereby appointed President of the Texas Institute of Oceanography, effective September 1, 1998.

MINUTE ORDER 211–98 (AGENDA ITEM 41)

APPOINTMENT OF PROFESSOR J. THOMAS REGAN AS DEAN OF THE COLLEGE OF ARCHITECTURE, TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY

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

Professor J. Thomas Regan is hereby appointed Dean of the College of Architecture and Professor with tenure in the Department of Architecture at Texas A&M University, effective November 1, 1998, or at the latest, January 1, 1999.

Dr. Hensley, presented Item 42. The Board took action as set forth below:
MINUTE ORDER 212–98 (AGENDA ITEM 42)

APPROVAL OF APPOINTMENT OF
DR. DAVID BEJOU
AS INTERIM VICE PRESIDENT FOR ACADEMIC AFFAIRS,
TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY-TEXARKANA

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

Dr. David Bejou’s appointment as Interim Vice President for Academic Affairs at Texas A&M University-Texarkana, effective July 6, 1998, is hereby approved.

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Mr. Powell presented Item 43 and the Board took action as follows:

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MINUTE ORDER 213–98 (AGENDA ITEM 43)

APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF
JULY 23, 1998, REGULAR BOARD MEETING
BOARD OF REGENTS,
THE TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY SYSTEM

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

The Minutes of the Regular Meeting of the Board of Regents of The Texas A&M University System held in College Station, Texas, on July 23, 1998, are hereby approved.

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Mr. Powell said the next regular meeting would be held on December 3-4, 1998, in College Station, Texas.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, Mr. Powell adjourned the meeting at 4:10 p.m., on Friday, September 25, 1998.

Vickie Burt
Executive Secretary to the Board of Regents
The Texas A&M University System