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**MINUTES OF THE  
MEETING OF THE BOARD OF REGENTS  
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**CONVENE BOARD MEETING – MARCH 25, 1999**

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 8:35 a.m., on Thursday, March 25, 1999. 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. Robert H. Allen  
Ms. Anne Armstrong  
Dr. Dionel E. Avilés  
Mr. Frederick D. McClure  
Mr. Erle Nye  
Mr. Lionel Sosa  
Mr. R. H. (Steve) Stevens  
Dr. Susan Rudd Wynn

*(Secretary's Note: Mr. Lionel Sosa, Mr. R. H. (Steve) Stevens and Dr. Susan Rudd Wynn were attending their first meeting as members of the Board of Regents. Mr. Sosa succeeded Mr. John H. Lindsey, Mr. Stevens succeeded Mr. T. Michael O'Connor and Dr. Wynn succeeded Ms. M. Guadalupe L. Rangel. They were appointed by Governor George W. Bush on February 18, 1999; confirmed by the Texas Senate on March 16, 1999; and qualified by the administration of their oaths of office on March 24, 1999. The oaths of office were administered by Senator Steve Ogden, District 5.)*

**INVOCATION**

The invocation was presented by Ms. Laurie Nickel, student body president at Texas A&M University (TAMU).

**ELECTION OF OFFICERS**

Mr. Powell welcomed the three new Board members. He said in accordance with the Bylaws of the Board of Regents of The Texas A&M University System, at the first regular meeting or special meeting following the appointment, confirmation and qualification of the three new members regularly appointed in odd years, the first business in order is the election of officers. The Board took action as set forth below:

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**MINUTE ORDER 047-1999**

**ELECTION OF MR. DON POWELL AS  
CHAIRMAN OF THE BOARD OF REGENTS,  
THE TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY SYSTEM**

Mr. Nye nominated Mr. Don Powell for the position of Chairman of the Board of Regents. He said for the past two years, Mr. Powell established himself as a substantial leader and had done a wonderful job as Chairman. Mr. McClure moved that nominations cease. By a unanimous vote, Mr. Powell was elected Chairman of the Board of Regents of The Texas A&M University System.

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Mr. Powell said he was truly honored to serve the people of Texas and this great System.

Mr. Powell announced that nominations were in order for the position of Vice Chairman of the Board.

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**MINUTE ORDER 048-1999**

**ELECTION OF MR. FREDERICK D. MCCLURE AS  
VICE CHAIRMAN OF THE BOARD OF REGENTS,  
THE TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY SYSTEM**

Dr. Avilés nominated Mr. Frederick D. McClure for the position of Vice Chairman of the Board of Regents. Mr. Nye seconded the nomination. He said that Mr. McClure has a distinguished record of service to Texas A&M University and has represented the System well over the last four years. Dr. Avilés moved that nominations cease. By a unanimous vote, Mr. McClure was elected Vice Chairman of the Board of Regents of The Texas A&M University System.

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Dr. Charles Hines, President of Prairie View A&M University (PVAMU), made a presentation to Mr. Allen. He said 53 years ago, Mr. Allen was a military policeman in the Army of Occupation in Japan, the 24<sup>th</sup> Military Police Company with the 24<sup>th</sup> Infantry Division. Just recently that division was taken off the active roles and is no longer in force. Dr. Hines said he had the privilege of being the chief of military police for the Army and now holds the position of Honorary Colonel of the Regiment. When they took the unit down, the Commander of the 24<sup>th</sup> decided that he wanted to give his soldier flash brassard to a distinguished member of the unit. Dr. Hines then gave Mr. Allen a framed presentation with the soldier brassard of the Commander

of the 24<sup>th</sup> and two stars which Dr. Hines wore on his battle dress uniform when he retired as chief of the regiment.

**CHANCELLOR’S REMARKS**

Dr. Barry B. Thompson, Chancellor of The Texas A&M University System (TAMUS), presented an update on the System, commenting on the recent 100<sup>th</sup> anniversary celebration for Tarleton State University and the legislative session.

**RECESS**

Mr. Powell recessed the meeting at 8:45 a.m.

*(Secretary’s Note: The meeting of the Committee on Finance was convened at 8:45 a.m. and recessed at 10:30 a.m.)*

**RECONVENE BOARD MEETING FOR  
PUBLIC HEARING(S) REGARDING  
INCREASES IN BOARD-AUTHORIZED TUITION AT  
TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY,  
TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY AT GALVESTON,  
TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY-CORPUS CHRISTI,  
TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY-KINGSVILLE,  
TEXAS A&M INTERNATIONAL UNIVERSITY, AND  
THE TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY SYSTEM HEALTH SCIENCE CENTER  
BAYLOR COLLEGE OF DENTISTRY,  
SCHOOL OF RURAL PUBLIC HEALTH AND  
GRADUATE SCHOOL OF BIOMEDICAL SCIENCE**

Mr. Powell reconvened the meeting at 10:32 a.m. Public hearings were held as required by Section 54.0513, Paragraph (f) of the Texas Education Code, to receive input from presidents and students regarding proposed increases in designated tuition (Board-authorized tuition) for Texas A&M University (TAMU), Texas A&M University at Galveston (TAMUG), Texas A&M University-Corpus Christi (TAMU-CC), Texas A&M University-Kingsville (TAMU-K), Texas A&M International University (TAMIU), and The Texas A&M University System Health Science Center (TAMUSHSC) Baylor College of Dentistry and School of Rural Public Health and Graduate School of Biomedical Science.

**RECESS**

Mr. Powell recessed the meeting at 11:45 a.m.

*(Secretary's Note: The meeting of the Committee on Finance was reconvened at 11:00 a.m. and adjourned at 11:14 a.m. A meeting of the Committee on Buildings and Physical Plant was held from 11:15 a.m. to 12:25 p.m. and 1:40 p.m. to 3:50 p.m.)*

**RECONVENE BOARD MEETING AND CONVENE IN CLOSED SESSION**

Mr. Powell recognized Mr. Harry Raisor, Director of Aviation Services at Texas A&M University for a special presentation. Mr. Raisor introduced Mr. Otis Welsch, Manager of the Texas Airport Development Office with the Federal Aviation Administration, who presented a plaque to Dr. Ray Bowen, Mr. Raisor and Mr. Powell regarding Easterwood Airport being named Texas Airport of the Year.

At 3:55 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 Item 46.

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. Barry B. Thompson, Chancellor; Dr. Leo Sayavedra, Deputy Chancellor for Academic Institutions and Agencies; Mr. Tom Kale, Vice Chancellor for Business Services; Mr. Delmar Cain, General Counsel; and Ms. Tami Sayko, Chancellor's Chief of Staff, Dr. Robert R. Furgason, Dr. Charles Hines, Dr. Ray Bowen, Dr. Ron Douglas, Mr. Wally Groff and Mr. Frank Clark.

**RECONVENE BOARD MEETING IN OPEN SESSION AND RECESS**

At 7:10 p.m., Mr. Powell reconvened the meeting of the Board in open session and announced that the Board had met in closed session from 3:56 p.m. until 7:09 p.m. He said the Board would reconvene at 8:00 a.m. the next morning to continue its closed session agenda.

**RECONVENE BOARD MEETING – MARCH 26, 1999**

Mr. Powell reconvened the meeting of the Board of Regents at 8:10 a.m., Friday, March 26, 1999. The following members of the Board were present:

Mr. Don Powell, Chairman  
Mr. Frederick D. McClure, Vice Chairman  
Mr. Robert H. Allen  
Ms. Anne Armstrong  
Dr. Dionel E. Avilés  
Mr. Erle Nye  
Mr. Lionel Sosa  
Mr. R. H. (Steve) Stevens  
Dr. Susan Rudd Wynn

Mr. Powell announced that the Board would continue its closed session agenda.

**RECONVENE BOARD MEETING IN OPEN SESSION AND RECESS**

At 9:26 a.m., Mr. Powell reconvened the meeting of the Board in open session and announced that the Board had met in closed session from 8:10 a.m. until 9:25 a.m. Mr. Powell recessed the meeting at 9:27 a.m.

*(Secretary's Note: A meeting of the Committee on Academic and Students Affairs was held from 9:45 a.m. to 10:35 a.m.)*

**RECONVENE**

Mr. Powell reconvened the meeting of the Board of Regents at 10:36 a.m.

**PROGRESS REPORT ON INCENTIVE PAY STUDY**

Mr. Powell asked Mr. Allen to present this progress report. Mr. Allen said this is a subject that has been talked about for some time. He said the ad hoc committee, consisting of two members from the System and four members from TAMU, has had numerous meetings. Mr. Allen said the investigation is about trying to create an incentive compensation program for the faculty that might be sufficiently portable to carry over into the administrative side as well as to perhaps transfer to other campuses. He said this undertaking is unique because it simply hasn't been done any place else. There are several campuses that are investigating it but none of them have developed a plan yet. He said the committee has met several times, several members of the committee have been sent on a field trip to Federal Express to orient themselves as to how incentive pay plans work in the corporate world, recognizing full well that they probably do not apply in their entirety to the academic group. Mr. Allen said they have gone through the process required to retain consultants and four or five consultants have now been interviewed. He said the consultant group has been narrowed down to two and they will be interviewed again on April 2. Mr. Allen said that once the consultant is chosen, and if during their investigation it becomes clear that it is not adaptable or it cannot be successful then the committee will abandon the program and report back to the Board.

Mr. Allen said from his perspective, there is considerable interest in the subject if the attitudes of the committee are representative of the faculty. He said they think they can design something that does in fact provide an opportunity for additional compensation over and above whatever the normal compensation is, based on performance. Mr. Allen said one of the obvious elements is funding and it will have to be exterior to state funding. He said the committee thinks that conceptually this can be done if they can design the right program, but because of the complexity and the requirements of funding, this is not something that can be completed in a short period of time.

**PRELIMINARY REPORT FROM THE TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE**

Mr. Powell asked Mr. Allen to present this progress report. Mr. Allen said as a preamble to his report, the purpose of the System aircraft is to permit key people of the System to operate more efficiently and do more in any time frame than they could do otherwise. Mr. Allen said there shouldn't be any hesitancy about using the aircraft.

Mr. Allen said he thinks the committee will have more to report this summer. They think that the System ought to have 1500 hours of aircraft availability. At present it is probably on the outside 800. Mr. Allen said obviously this means that we either need to do more with what we have or get more. He said the System now has two aircraft, a King Air 100 and a King Air 200. He said the 200 is coming up for major engine overalls, an approximate \$400,000 ticket. Mr. Allen said conceptually, he perceives the need for the two aircraft that we now have, in refurbished condition, and being able to buy time in an aircraft pool, including perhaps a jet, for the longer trips, particularly those outside of state. Mr. Allen said whatever is done is controlled by the State Aircraft Pooling Board.

**PRELIMINARY REPORT FROM THE POLICY REVIEW COMMITTEE**

Mr. Powell asked Mr. Allen to present this progress report. Mr. Allen said System Policy is a dynamic process. It requires frequent, if not constant attention. Mr. Allen said the committee has not yet met, but Mr. Larry Bicket, Director of Policy Implementation and Compliance, has met with each member of the committee. Mr. Allen said the Committee would meet and bring its recommendations to the full Board.

**BRIEFING ON VISION 2020 PROJECT**

Mr. Powell asked Dr. Walter Wendler, Executive Assistant to the President of TAMU, to present this progress report. Dr. Wendler discussed the highpoints of the effort to date and presented a brief overview.

Mr. Powell asked Mr. Nye to present the report of the Committee on Finance.

**REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON FINANCE**

Mr. Nye, Chairman of the Committee on Finance, said the Committee had met and received a report from Mr. Rick Porter, Bond Counsel, regarding SEC bond compliance. Mr. Nye said the Committee informally agreed to increase its activity relating to the management of invested funds, with respect to the investment policy, asset allocation, retention and performance of fund managers. He said the Committee will be coming forward with a report of what it intends to do. Mr. Nye said this is an important area that deserves more of the Committee's attention. He said the Committee will also be considering a recommendation from its consultants regarding a minor change in asset allocation and that will be brought back to the Board before Committee action is taken.

Mr. Nye said the Committee considered six agenda items, Items 1 through 6. He said Item 4 related to tuition and fees and thorough reports were received on this matter. He said the Board and the Committee were in full compliance with the Texas Education Code. Mr. Nye said with respect to the fees for parking and proposed change in fees for parking on the TAMU campus, the Committee did receive input from the faculty through the Speaker of the Faculty Senate, Dr. Diane Kaplan. She offered comments which Mr. Nye characterized as concerns about the relative size of the increase in the parking fees, whether or not the increase in parking fees would impact the faculty and staff in direct proportion to the benefit they will receive, and some initial comments about a lack of notice or participation. Mr. Nye said he thought the third concern was mitigated somewhat by the fact that Dr. Bowen and others did visit subsequently with the Faculty Senate. He said Ms. Laurie Nickel, Student Body President, and Ms. Amy McGee, Speaker of the Student Senate, were present and raised questions about the extent of the increase and the optimality of the site of the proposed parking garage which will be funded in part by the fee increase. Mr. Nye said the Committee understood why different people have different views and it also understood that parking and transportation on the TAMU campus continues to be a very notable issue. Mr. Nye said it was imperative to provide sufficient infrastructure to allow students and faculty egress and ingress from campus on a convenient basis and it was the Committee's decision to approve the fee and tuition increases as recommended by the principals from the various institutions.

The Committee recommended approval of Items 1 through 6 and the Board took action as set forth below:

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**MINUTE ORDER 049-1999 (AGENDA ITEM 1)**

**AUTHORIZATION TO TRANSFER FUNDS  
FROM TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY TO  
TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY-TEXARKANA AND  
TO THE BAYLOR COLLEGE OF DENTISTRY TO  
FULFILL THE PROGRAM REQUIREMENT OF THE  
ELECTRONIC NETWORK FOR LIBRARY AND LEARNING RESOURCES  
TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY**

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

Transfer of funds from Special Item Account 163430 (Electronic Network for Library and Learning Resources) are hereby authorized to be made to Texas A&M University-Texarkana in the amount of \$15,000 and the Baylor College of Dentistry in the amount of \$30,000 to fulfill the program requirement of the Electronic Network for Library and Learning Resources.



**MINUTE ORDER 050-1999 (AGENDA ITEM 2)**

**APPROPRIATION FOR THE PURCHASE OF  
LIBRARY BOOKS, JOURNALS, AND OTHER LIBRARY MATERIALS,  
EQUIPMENT AND FURNITURE FOR THE LIBRARY,  
TEXAS A&M INTERNATIONAL UNIVERSITY**

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

The amount of \$4,044,000 is hereby appropriated from Revenue Financing System Debt Authorization Account 01-083519 (Tuition Revenue) for the purchase of library books, journals, and other library materials, equipment and furniture for the library at Texas A&M International University.

**MINUTE ORDER 051-1999 (AGENDA ITEM 3)**

**APPROVAL OF  
REQUEST FOR AN EXCEPTION TO THE FTE  
LIMITATIONS SPECIFIED IN HOUSE BILL 1, 75<sup>TH</sup> LEGISLATURE,  
THE TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY SYSTEM**

On motion of Mr. Nye, seconded by Mr. Allen, 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 request by the Members listed in **Exhibit A**, a copy of which is attached to the official minutes, for an exception to the FTE limitations specified in House Bill 1, 75<sup>th</sup> Legislature.

**MINUTE ORDER 052-1999 (AGENDA ITEM 4-REVISED EXHIBITS)**

**APPROVAL OF NEW, INCREASED AND  
DECREASED FEES FOR ACADEMIC INSTITUTIONS,  
THE TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY SYSTEM**

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

In accordance with Section 54.0513, Texas Education Code, and System Policy 26.02, public hearings were held at each campus regarding recommended increases in designated tuition. The Board has received input from students and the presidents of the institutions concerning such proposed increases, according to the requirements of Section 54.0513(f), Texas Education Code.

All hearings and recommendations required by law for increases in other student fees have been properly conducted and reported to the Board in accordance with the Texas Education Code.

The request for new, increased, decreased, and eliminated tuition and fees for the academic institutions and the health science center of The Texas A&M University System, as shown on **Exhibits B and C**, attached to the official minutes, is approved to be effective with the Fall 1999 semester.

**MINUTE ORDER 053-1999 (AGENDA ITEM 5)**

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

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

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

| <b>Component</b> | <b>Amount</b> | <b>Project Name and Source of Funds</b>                                       |
|------------------|---------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| TAMIU            | \$300,000     | Purchase of Library Books and Reference Materials<br>Revenue Financing System |
| PVAMU            | \$100,000     | Deferred Maintenance<br>Available University Fund Reserve                     |
| PVAMU            | \$60,000      | NCATE<br>Available University Fund Reserve                                    |
| PVAMU            | \$300,000     | Electronic Document Management System<br>Available University Fund Reserve    |

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.

**MINUTE ORDER 054-1999 (AGENDA ITEM 6)**

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

On motion of Mr. Nye, seconded by Mr. Allen, 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. 98-99-04, a copy of which is attached to the official minutes as **Exhibit D**.

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

**REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON BUILDINGS AND PHYSICAL PLANT**

Dr. Avilés, Chairman of the Committee on Buildings and Physical Plant, said the Committee met the day before, March 25, and recommended approval of Items 7 through 16, pertaining to construction, Item 17, pertaining to naming of facilities and Item 18, pertaining to real estate. Dr. Avilés said the Committee also recommended that the minute order in Agenda Item 49, recommending the adoption of Propositions 1, 6, 7, 8 10, 11, 12, 13 and 14 of the Task Force Report on Reducing Construction Project Time, be incorporated into Board Policy for further approval consideration. The Committee recommended approval of the following architect/engineer design team selections: Wellborn Road Pedestrian Passageway at Texas A&M University – Prozign, Inc. of Houston, Texas; and Campus Utility Plants' Fire and Security Improvements at Texas A&M University – Carter & Burgess, Inc. of Fort Worth, Texas. The Board took action as set forth below:

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**MINUTE ORDER 055-1999 (AGENDA ITEM 7)**

**APPROVAL OF THE  
PROGRAM OF REQUIREMENTS,  
APPROPRIATION FOR DESIGN AND  
SELECTION OF THE ARCHITECT/ENGINEER DESIGN TEAM  
FOR THE WELLBORN ROAD PEDESTRIAN PASSAGEWAY,  
TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY**

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

The program of requirements for the Wellborn Road Pedestrian Passageway at Texas A&M University is approved.

Supplementing a previous appropriation of \$10,000.00, the amount of \$733,388.00 is appropriated from Account No. 030054 Parking Facilities for design for the Wellborn Road Pedestrian Passageway at Texas A&M University.

The firm of Prozign, Inc., of Houston, Texas, is selected to head the architect/engineer design team for the Wellborn Road Pedestrian Passageway 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 056-1999 (AGENDA ITEM 8)**

**SELECTION OF THE ARCHITECT/ENGINEER  
DESIGN TEAM AND AUTHORIZATION FOR  
THE CHANCELLOR TO APPROPRIATE FUNDS FOR  
A FACILITIES ASSESSMENT FOR THE  
CAMPUS UTILITY PLANTS' FIRE AND SECURITY IMPROVEMENTS,  
TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY**

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

The Chancellor is authorized to appropriate the funds required to accomplish the facilities assessment.

The firm of Carter & Burgess, Inc. of Fort Worth, Texas, is selected to head the architect/engineer design team for the Campus Utility Plants' Fire and Security Improvements at Texas A&M University.

**MINUTE ORDER 057-1999 (AGENDA ITEM 9)**

**APPROVAL OF THE PRELIMINARY DESIGN,  
REVISED PROJECT BUDGET,  
APPROPRIATION FOR DETAILED DESIGN AND AUTHORIZATION  
FOR THE USE OF THE COMPETITIVE SEALED PROPOSAL  
METHOD OF PROJECT DELIVERY FOR THE  
WEST CAMPUS PARKING GARAGE,  
TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY**

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

Preliminary design for the West Campus Parking Garage at Texas A&M University is approved.

The project budget is increased from \$18,000,000.00 to \$30,000,000.00 for the West Campus Parking Garage at Texas A&M University.

Supplementing previous appropriations of \$450,000.00, the amount of \$1,156,000.00 is appropriated from the Account No. 030054 Parking Facilities for detailed design for the West Campus Parking Garage at Texas A&M University.

Authorization is granted to use the Competitive Sealed Proposal Method of project delivery.

Authorization is granted to the Chancellor to approve the Order of Ranking of contractors/proposers prior to bringing a contract award recommendation to the Board of Regents.

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 058-1999 (AGENDA ITEM 10)**

**APPROVAL OF PRELIMINARY DESIGN  
FOR THE UNIVERSITY APARTMENTS COMMUNITY CENTER,  
TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY**

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

Preliminary Design for the University Apartments Community Center at Texas A&M University is approved.

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 059-1999 (AGENDA ITEM 11)**

**APPROVAL OF THE PRELIMINARY DESIGN  
REVISED PROJECT BUDGET, APPROPRIATION FOR  
DETAILED DESIGN AND AUTHORIZATION FOR THE  
USE OF THE COMPETITIVE SEALED PROPOSAL METHOD OF  
PROJECT DELIVERY FOR THE REGIONAL  
HEALTH SCIENCE EDUCATION CENTER, TEMPLE, TEXAS,  
THE TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY HEALTH SCIENCE CENTER**

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

Preliminary design for the Regional Health Science Education Center, The Texas A&M University System Health Science Center, Temple, Texas, is approved.

The project budget is increased from \$8,460,000.00 to \$9,460,000.00 for the Regional Health Science Education Center, The Texas A&M University System Health Science Center, Temple, Texas.

Authorization is granted to use the Competitive Sealed Proposal Procurement Method of project delivery.

Authorization is granted for the Chancellor to approve the Order of Ranking of contractors/proposers prior to bringing a contract award recommendation to the Board of Regents.

Supplementing previous appropriations of \$138,000.00, the amount of \$256,907.00 is appropriated from Account No. 085008 Designated Tuition for The Texas A&M University System Health Science Center's share of the detailed design for the Regional Health Science Education Center, The Texas A&M University System Health Science Center, Temple, Texas.

The amount of \$233,093.00 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 detailed design for the Regional Health Science Education Center, The 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).

**MINUTE ORDER 060-1999 (AGENDA ITEM 12)**

**APPROVAL OF PRELIMINARY DESIGN AND  
THE REVISED PROJECT BUDGET,  
APPROPRIATION FOR DETAILED DESIGN,  
AND AUTHORIZATION FOR THE USE OF THE  
COMPETITIVE SEALED PROPOSAL METHOD OF  
PROJECT DELIVERY FOR THE FINE ARTS BUILDING,  
TEXAS A&M INTERNATIONAL UNIVERSITY**

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

Preliminary design for the Fine Arts Building at Texas A&M International University is approved.

Supplementing a previous appropriation of \$350,000.00, the amount of \$715,000.00 is appropriated from Account No. 141001 Higher Education Assistance Fund General Fund for detailed design for the Fine Arts Building at Texas A&M International University.

Authorization is granted to adjust the project budget from \$16,000,000.00 to \$18,000,000.00.

Authorization is granted to use the Competitive Sealed Proposal Method of project delivery.

Authorization is granted to the Chancellor to approve the Order of Ranking of contractors/proposers prior to bringing a contract award recommendation to the Board of Regents.

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 061-1999 (AGENDA ITEM 13)**

**ACTION ON BIDS  
FOR THE WATER SYSTEM IMPROVEMENTS,  
PRAIRIE VIEW A&M UNIVERSITY**

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

Based on bids received February 17, 1999, the contract is awarded to Garrett Mechanical, Inc. of Bryan, Texas, at \$1,275,220.00, the low base bid and Alternates 1 through 5 for the Water Pump Station and Distribution Lines for the Water System Improvements at Prairie View A&M University.

Supplementing previous appropriations of \$550,000.00, the amount of \$1,325,000.00 is appropriated from Account No. 083519 Revenue Financing System (Designated Tuition) for the Water System Improvements 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).

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 062-1999 (AGENDA ITEM 14)**

**AUTHORIZATION FOR THE CHANCELLOR  
TO TAKE ACTION ON BIDS FOR THE EASTERWOOD  
AIRPORT IMPROVEMENTS, PHASE II,  
TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY**

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

The Chancellor is hereby delegated authority to take action on the bids when received; to appropriate funds within the authorized project budget and to do any and all things necessary within the funds available to accomplish the Easterwood Airport Improvements, Phase II, at Texas A&M University.

**MINUTE ORDER 063-1999 (AGENDA ITEM 15)**

**AUTHORIZATION FOR USE OF THE  
COMPETITIVE SEALED PROPOSAL METHOD OF  
PROJECT DELIVERY FOR THE  
ELECTRICAL DISTRIBUTION SYSTEM UPGRADE, PHASE II,  
AT TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY;  
AND THE INTRAMURAL COMPLEX AND  
THE PARKING LOT AND ACCESS DRIVE  
AT TEXAS A&M INTERNATIONAL UNIVERSITY**

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

Authorization is granted to use the Competitive Sealed Proposal Method of project delivery for the Electrical Distribution System Upgrade - Phase II at Texas A&M University, the Intramural Complex and the Parking Lot and Access Drive 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 064-1999 (AGENDA ITEM 16)**

**AUTHORIZATION FOR THE  
CHANCELLOR TO TAKE ACTION ON BIDS FOR THE  
CHILLER REPLACEMENT IN THE CENTRAL UTILITY PLANT,  
TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY**

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

The Chancellor is hereby delegated authority to take action on the bids when received; to appropriate funds within the authorized project budget; and to do any and all things necessary within funds available to accomplish the Chiller Replacement in the Central Utility Plant at Texas A&M University.

**MINUTE ORDER 065-1999 (AGENDA ITEM 17)**

**NAMING OF THE SAM FRECH CONCERT HALL  
TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY-CORPUS CHRISTI**

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

The concert hall in the Harte Performing Arts Center on the campus of Texas A&M University-Corpus Christi, is hereby named the “Sam Frech Concert Hall.”

**MINUTE ORDER 066-1999 (AGENDA ITEM 18)**

**AUTHORIZATION FOR THE  
CHANCELLOR TO ENTER INTO A  
LONG-TERM LEASE AGREEMENT WITH THE  
DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION OF MUNDAY, KNOX COUNTY,  
THE TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY SYSTEM**

On motion of Dr. Avilés, seconded by Mr. Allen 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 enter into a long-term lease agreement with the Development Corporation of Munday for a tract of land consisting of approximately 215 acres and being described as parts of Section No. 102 and 103, Block 45, H&TC Railroad Company Survey, Knox County, Texas, and recorded in Volume 180, Page 553 of the Deed Records of Knox County, Texas. The term of the lease will be 30 years.

Consideration to be paid by the Texas Agricultural Experiment Station will be \$15,000 per year for the first 10 years and \$2,000 per year thereafter.

**MINUTE ORDER 067-1999 (AGENDA ITEM 49)**

**ACTIONS ON RECOMMENDATIONS FROM  
TASK FORCE ON REDUCING CONSTRUCTION PROJECT TIME,  
THE TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY SYSTEM**

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

Propositions 1, 6, 7, 8, 10 11, 12, 13 and 14, as recommended in the Task Force Report on Reducing Construction Project Time for The Texas A&M University System, dated March 1999, are approved, a copy of which is attached to the official minutes as **Exhibit E**.

Project budget data entered on institutional/agency capital plans as required by Board of Regents Policy 23.02 and System Regulations 23.02.01, will be based on project scope and cost estimating guidance furnished by System Facilities Planning and Construction.

The Chancellor is directed to revise appropriate Board of Regents Policies as reflected by this approval action for adoption at a future Board of Regents meeting and to modify affected System Regulations to implement these new policies.

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

**REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON ACADEMIC AND STUDENT AFFAIRS**

Mr. McClure said the Committee met earlier the same day and recommended approval of Items 19 through 33. The Board took action as set forth below:

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**MINUTE ORDER 068-1999 (AGENDA ITEM 19)**

**APPROVAL OF CONCEPT PAPER  
FOR THE KNOWLEDGE ENGINEERING CENTER,  
TEXAS ENGINEERING EXTENSION SERVICE**

On motion of Mr. McClure, seconded by Mr. Nye and by a unanimous vote, the Board approved the concept paper for the Knowledge Engineering Center, a copy of which is attached to the official minutes as **Exhibit F**.

**MINUTE ORDER 069-1999 (AGENDA ITEM 20-REVISED EXHIBIT)**

**APPROVAL OF REVISED CHARTER,  
TEXAS TRANSPORTATION INSTITUTE**

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

The Board of Regents of The Texas A&M University System hereby formally approves the revised charter of the Texas Transportation Institute, a copy of which is attached to the official minutes as **Exhibit G**.

**MINUTE ORDER 070-1999 (AGENDA ITEM 21)**

**AUTHORIZATION TO REQUEST APPROVAL FROM  
THE TEXAS HIGHER EDUCATION COORDINATING BOARD  
TO RESTRUCTURE THE EXISTING SPEECH COMMUNICATIONS  
PROGRAM AND TO EXPAND THE  
TABLE OF PROGRAMS TO INCLUDE COMMUNICATIONS,  
TARLETON STATE UNIVERSITY**

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

The President of Tarleton State University is authorized to present to the Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board a non-substantive administrative change to restructure the Bachelor of Arts and Bachelor of Science in Speech Communications to a Bachelor of Arts and Bachelor of Science in Communications and expand the university Table of Programs to include Communications.

The Board of Regents has considered the request for this authorization in light of the statutory objectives of Tarleton State University and believes this request is justified and that Tarleton State University should be authorized to expand its Table of Programs to include Communications at the baccalaureate level.

**MINUTE ORDER 071-1999 (AGENDA ITEM 22)**

**AUTHORIZATION TO REQUEST APPROVAL  
FROM THE TEXAS HIGHER EDUCATION COORDINATING BOARD  
INITIATING A BACHELOR OF SCIENCE DEGREE  
IN MANUFACTURING ENGINEERING TECHNOLOGY  
IN THE DEPARTMENT OF INDUSTRIAL TECHNOLOGY,  
TARLETON STATE UNIVERSITY**

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

The President of Tarleton State University is authorized to present to the Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board a proposal initiating a Bachelor of Science in Manufacturing Engineering Technology in the Department of Industrial Technology.

The Board of Regents has considered the request for this authorization in light of the statutory objectives of Tarleton State University and believes this request is justified and that Tarleton State University should be authorized to add a Bachelor of Science in Manufacturing Engineering Technology to its degree inventory.

**MINUTE ORDER 072-1999 (AGENDA ITEM 23)**

**AUTHORIZATION TO REQUEST  
APPROVAL FROM THE TEXAS HIGHER EDUCATION  
COORDINATING BOARD FOR THE 46-HOUR CORE CURRICULUM,  
TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY-COMMERCE**

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

The President of Texas A&M University-Commerce is hereby authorized to request approval from the Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board for the 46-Hour Core Curriculum.

The Board of Regents has considered the request for this authorization in light of the statutory objectives of Texas A&M University-Commerce, the need of the State of Texas for students to be trained in this area, and the cost of such training. The Board believes this request is justified and that Texas A&M University-Commerce, under its legal mandate, should be authorized to add the 46-hour Core Curriculum.

**MINUTE ORDER 073-1999 (AGENDA ITEM 24)**

**AUTHORIZATION TO REQUEST  
APPROVAL FROM THE TEXAS HIGHER EDUCATION  
COORDINATING BOARD FOR EXPANSION OF AUTHORITY  
TO OFFER THE MASTER OF SCIENCE DEGREE IN  
INDUSTRIAL TECHNOLOGY VIA DISTANCE LEARNING,  
TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY-COMMERCE**

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

The President of Texas A&M University-Commerce is hereby authorized to request approval from the Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board of the expansion of authority to offer the Master of Science degree in Industrial Technology via distance learning.

The Board of Regents has considered the request for this authorization in light of the statutory objectives of Texas A&M University-Commerce. The Board believes this request is justified and that Texas A&M University-Commerce, under its legal mandate, should be authorized to offer the Master of Science degree in Industrial Technology to U.S. Army personnel in Ft. Rucker, Alabama.

**MINUTE ORDER 074-1999 (AGENDA ITEM 25)**

**AUTHORIZATION TO REQUEST  
APPROVAL FROM THE TEXAS HIGHER EDUCATION  
COORDINATING BOARD FOR A NEW DEGREE PROGRAM  
LEADING TO A MASTER OF PUBLIC ADMINISTRATION,  
TEXAS A&M INTERNATIONAL UNIVERSITY**

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

The new degree program leading to a Master of Public Administration degree at Texas A&M International University is hereby approved and the president is hereby authorized to present to the Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board a proposal initiating this degree program.

The Board of Regents has considered the request for this authorization in light of the statutory objectives of Texas A&M International University, 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 International University, under its legal mandate, should be authorized to add a Master of Public Administration degree to its degree inventory.

**MINUTE ORDER 075-1999 (AGENDA ITEM 26)**

**AUTHORIZATION TO REQUEST APPROVAL  
FROM THE TEXAS HIGHER EDUCATION COORDINATING BOARD  
FOR BACHELOR AND MASTER OF SCIENCE DEGREES  
WITH A MAJOR IN COMMUNICATION DISORDERS,  
WEST TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY**

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

Authority is hereby granted to the President of West Texas A&M University to proceed with initiating a substantive proposal with the Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board for Bachelor and Master of Science degrees with a major in Communication Disorders.

The Board of Regents has considered the request for this authorization in light of the statutory objectives of West Texas A&M University, 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 West Texas A&M University, under its legal mandate, should be authorized to add the Bachelor and Master of Science degrees with a major in Communication Disorders to its degree inventory.

**MINUTE ORDER 076-1999 (AGENDA ITEM 27)**

**ADOPTION OF LOGO, SEAL AND COLORS,  
THE TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY SYSTEM HEALTH SCIENCE CENTER**

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

The Board of Regents of The Texas A&M University System hereby adopts the logo, seal and colors illustrated in **Exhibits H and I**, copies of which are attached to the official minutes, as the official logo, seal and colors of The Texas A&M University System Health Science Center effective immediately except for use by Baylor College of Dentistry. Baylor College of Dentistry is authorized to use the official logo, seal and colors of The Texas A&M University System Health Science Center effective upon execution of a revised license agreement with Baylor University.

**MINUTE ORDER 077-1999 (AGENDA ITEM 28)**

**AUTHORIZATION TO REQUEST APPROVAL FROM THE  
TEXAS HIGHER EDUCATION COORDINATING BOARD  
TO EXPAND TABLE OF PROGRAMS TO ALLOW PLANNING  
AUTHORITY TO OFFER A BACHELOR OF ARTS IN AMERICAN STUDIES,  
AND A MASTER OF ARTS AND A PH.D. IN HISPANIC STUDIES,  
TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY**

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

Texas A&M University requests that its Table of Programs be expanded to allow planning authority for the institution to offer a Bachelor of Arts in American Studies, and a Master of Arts and a Ph.D. in Hispanic Studies. Therefore, it is requested that the Table of Programs, a copy of which is attached to the official minutes as **Exhibit J**, be approved for submission to the Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board.

**MINUTE ORDER 078-1999 (AGENDA ITEM 29)**

**AUTHORIZATION TO REQUEST APPROVAL FROM THE  
TEXAS HIGHER EDUCATION COORDINATING BOARD  
TO CREATE THE DEPARTMENT OF PERFORMANCE STUDIES  
BY COMBINING THE EXISTING MUSIC SECTION IN THE  
DEPARTMENT OF PHILOSOPHY AND HUMANITIES AND THE  
THEATRE ARTS PROGRAM IN THE DEPARTMENT OF  
SPEECH COMMUNICATION AND THEATRE ARTS,  
TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY**

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

The President of Texas A&M University is authorized to present to the Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board a proposal to create a Department of Performance Studies combining the existing Music Section in the Department of Philosophy and Humanities and the Theatre Arts Program in the Department of Speech and Communication and Theatre Arts.

The Board of Regents has considered the request for this authorization in light of statutory objectives of Texas A&M University, the need of the State of Texas for students to be educated in the arts, and the cost of such education. The Board believes this administrative change is justified and that Texas A&M University should be authorized to create a Department of Performance Studies within the College of Liberal Arts.

**MINUTE ORDER 079-1999 (AGENDA ITEM 30)**

**AUTHORIZATION TO CHANGE THE NAME OF THE  
“VEGETABLE IMPROVEMENT CENTER”  
TO THE “VEGETABLE AND FRUIT IMPROVEMENT CENTER,”  
TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY**

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

The name of the Vegetable Improvement Center, which was established by Minute Order No. 32-93, is hereby changed to the Vegetable and Fruit Improvement Center. This name change is appropriate given the recent expansion of its research agenda to include fruits.

**MINUTE ORDER 080-1999 (AGENDA ITEM 31)**

**AUTHORIZATION TO ESTABLISH  
THE INSTITUTE FOR SPORTS MEDICINE AND HUMAN PERFORMANCE,  
TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY**

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

The Institute for Sports Medicine and Human Performance is hereby established as an organizational part of Texas A&M University that is administered within the College of Education, Department of Health and Kinesiology.

**MINUTE ORDER 081-1999 (AGENDA ITEM 32)**

**APPROVAL OF CONCEPT PAPER FOR  
THE MICHAEL E. DEBAKEY INSTITUTE FOR  
COMPARATIVE CARDIOVASCULAR  
SCIENCE AND BIOMEDICAL DEVICES,  
TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY**

On motion of Mr. McClure, seconded by Mr. Nye and by a unanimous vote, the Board approved the concept paper for the Michael E. DeBakey Institute for Comparative Cardiovascular Science and Biomedical Devices, Texas A&M University, a copy of which is attached to the official minutes as **Exhibit K**.

**MINUTE ORDER 082-1999 (AGENDA ITEM 33)**

**ADOPTION OF A RESOLUTION ESTABLISHING  
REGENTS INITIATIVE FOR EXCELLENCE IN EDUCATION,  
THE TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY SYSTEM**

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

Whereas, The Texas A&M University System seeks to assure that greater numbers of Texans gain access to and successfully complete higher education opportunities; and

Whereas, the entire A&M System is dependent upon the Texas public school system to provide a continuous supply of students possessing essential academic knowledge and fundamental literacy skills necessary to prosper in a higher education setting; and

Whereas, the A&M System wishes to support the efforts of Texas classroom teachers and school administrators in guiding the academic development of all children within the state; and

Whereas, the A&M System is a major supplier of teachers and administrators for the public schools in Texas, as well as a significant provider of professional development opportunities to the state's public education work force; and



Whereas, the A&M System also advances the quality of the state's public education system through its conduct of meaningful educational research and instructional development; and

Whereas, the A&M System has forged over 250 local partnerships with public school systems and education service centers, and has recently entered into an unprecedented statewide partnership with the Texas Education Agency to advance the quality of educational opportunities for all Texans; and

Whereas, the Board of Regents of The Texas A&M University System seeks to continuously strengthen and further improve System programs and working relationships with the state's public schools; now, therefore, be it

Resolved, that educational partnerships, educational research and educator preparation programs are vital and compelling interests of the State of Texas, and therefore areas of utmost priority to The Texas A&M University System; and, be it, further

Resolved, that the Board hereby establishes the "Regents Initiative for Excellence in Education," which provides a comprehensive, systematic framework for the continuous improvement of educational partnerships, educational research and educator preparation programs within the A&M System; and, be it, further

Resolved, that the Chancellor is authorized to establish program and performance standards for the Regent's Initiative, including standards for the establishment of University Centers for Educational Excellence within the A&M System; and, be it, further

Resolved, that the standards for University Centers for Excellence shall reflect the highest levels of instructional quality and organizational commitment in areas of educational partnership, educational research and educator preparation programs; and, be it, further

Resolved, that the Chancellor shall disseminate the program standards and operating procedures for the Regent's Initiative to all executive and academic officers within the A&M System, and that all universities within the System are encouraged to vigorously pursue designation as a Regent's Center for Excellence in Education; and, be it, further

Resolved, that the Chancellor is authorized to develop an Institute for School-University Collaboration to provide the necessary planning, administrative oversight and professional development to support the Regent's Initiative; and, be it, further

Resolved, that the Chancellor, in conjunction with the Institute for School-University Collaboration, is authorized to pursue funding in support of this initiative from both private and governmental sources; and, be it, further

Resolved, that the Chancellor is authorized to pilot programs of this nature during the remainder of the 1998-99 academic term in preparation for System-wide implementation of the Regent's Initiative effective with the 1999-2000 academic term; and, be it, further

Resolved, that the Chancellor shall evaluate the progress and effectiveness of the Regent's Initiative and annually report on this matter to the Board of Regents.

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**OTHER ITEMS**

Mr. Powell called on Dr. Robert Kirby, Vice President and Provost, Texas A&M University-Kingsville, who presented Item 34. He introduced Coach Ron Harms, Mr. Richard Rose and Mr. Randy Palmer, representing the team. The Board took action as set forth below:

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**MINUTE ORDER 083-1999 (AGENDA ITEM 34)**

**ADOPTION OF RESOLUTION RECOGNIZING THE  
1998 TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY-KINGSVILLE FOOTBALL TEAM,  
TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY-KINGSVILLE**

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

Whereas, the 1998 Texas A&M University-Kingsville football team distinguished itself, the University, The Texas A&M University System, and the State of Texas by compiling an 11-3 overall record, marking the 10th time the Javelinas have won as many as 11 games in a season, and in doing so defeated several nationally ranked teams including the NCAA Division II No. 1 ranked team in the post-season playoffs; and

Whereas, the Javelinas had their 15th consecutive winning season and their 61<sup>st</sup> non-losing campaign in 70 seasons of competition; and

Whereas, the team extended its all-time record to 491-210-16 and moved closer to becoming the all-time winning team in NCAA Division II, the Javelinas having a .6946 winning percentage and West Chester of Pennsylvania a .6952 percentage; and

Whereas, Texas A&M University-Kingsville moved to 80-28-0 in the 1990s, one of the best marks on the collegiate scene at any classification; and

Whereas, Ron Harms, the Javelina head coach for the past 20 years, extended his record to 168-66-0 with the Javelinas, and 214-105-4 for his career; and

Whereas, the team won the NCAA Division II West Region championship for the fourth time in the six years of the regional format; and

Whereas, the Javelinas ended the season ranked No. 11 in the NCAA Division II poll, continuing a streak that has seen the Javelinas ranked in the final NCAA Division II each year but one since 1985; and

Whereas, three of the Javelina players received six positions on five different All-America teams, continuing a precedent that has seen at least one Texas A&M University-Kingsville player making an All-America first team each season since 1965. The 1998 All-America players are defensive back Cedric Johnson, offensive lineman Cliff Clemons, and tight end Randy Palmer; and

Whereas, the team won its second consecutive Lone Star Conference South Division title - the Conference has been divided into divisions for two years; and

Whereas, the Javelinas attained an 11-game victory streak during the season; and

Whereas, defensive back Cedric Johnson, was chosen to participate in the Snow Bowl All-Star game, giving the Javelinas at least one player in the game in each year since its inception; and

Whereas, tight end Randy Palmer and offensive lineman Richard Rose were named to the Lone Star Conference All-Academic Team, and they, plus defensive back Matt Hickl, were on the Lone Star Conference Commissioner's Honor Roll; and

Whereas, Randy Palmer, Richard Rose, and Matt Hickl were elected to the GTE Academic All-America All-District VI team and were nominees for the Academic All-America squad; and

Whereas, nine Javelinas were on the All-Lone Star Conference South Division team, and two received individual honors. On the all-conference lineup were quarterback Terrance Bennet, running back John Humphrey, offensive guard Cliff Clemons, offensive guard Nick O'Brien, offensive tackle Jeff Chase, offensive tackle Richard Rose, defensive lineman Lane Tobola, defensive back Cedric Johnson, and center Robert Garza; Garza was named freshman of the year and Johnson was chosen as the defensive back of the year; having the five interior offensive linemen on the all-conference first team is believed to be a first for a Lone Star Conference school; and

Whereas, the Javelinas took the Lone Star Conference total offense title with 388.9 yards a game and led the league in rushing with a 283.5 average, and averaged more yards per carry (6.0) than any other Lone Star Conference school; and

Whereas, five Javelinas were selected to the NCAA Division II All-West Region team, and these being offensive lineman Cliff Clemons, center Robert Garza, offensive lineman Richard Rose, all-purpose back John Humphrey, and defensive back Cedric Johnson; and

Whereas, offensive lineman Richard Rose, received his degree several weeks after the end of the 1998 season and was named one of the five distinguished undergraduates at the University, being selected as the distinguished undergraduate in the College of Arts and Sciences; and

Whereas, three members of the football team were honored by being named to Who's Who Among Students in American Colleges and Universities; these being fullback Jeremy Burnell, tight end Randy Palmer, and offensive lineman Richard Rose; and

Whereas, the Javelinas compiled these outstanding honors with 13 seniors on the roster; these being tight end Greg Anderson, defensive lineman Avery Bryant, running back Jeremy Burnell, defensive lineman Ali Eason, defensive back Shannon Gadson, defensive back Matt Hickl, running back John Humphrey, defensive back Cedric Johnson, running back Eldon Johnson, defensive lineman Shane Johnson, tight end Randy Palmer, offensive lineman Richard Rose, and defensive lineman Lane Tobola; and

Whereas, members of the team who displayed a high dedication and proficiency and spent countless hours in training include: Derrick Allen, Lamar Amos, Casey Anderson, Greg Anderson, Larry Bandy, Derrick Barnes, Wes Bautovich, Brad Bell, Terrance Bennett, William Bishop, Redford Borel, Les Brown, Avery Bryant, Doug Burford, Jeremy Burnell, Teddy Carrier, Kevin Carter, Frank Castro, Jeff Chase, Aleric Clark, Cliff Clemons, Giles Cole, Ali Eason, Carl Edwards, Avelardo Estrada, Kobrey Ferguson, Chris Fisher, Derrick Foster, Shannon Gadson, David Garza, Ed Garza, Robert Garza, Keave Giles, Derrick Gordon, Josh Green, Fred Hackney, Channon Hall, John Hamilton, Matt Hantlemann, Jimmy Heyward, Jonathan Heyward, Matt Hickl, Donny Hogg, David Hohensee, John Humphrey, Nick Jacques, Cedric Johnson, Eldon Johnson, Floyd Johnson, Gregg Johnson, Kiah Johnson, Shane Johnson, Glenn Jones, Lincoln LeCompte, Narc Martinez, Victor McDonnell, Dustin Merriweather, B. L. Miller, Ishmael Muhammad, Doug Noll, Nick O'Brien, Oscar Ozuna, Randy Palmer, Marlon Parker, Rick Reyna, Richard Rose, Dickie Russell, Michael Salinas, Cephus Scott, Marcus Scott, Ken Shelton, Bill Shindler, Jon Thomas, Bruce Thompson, Lane Tobola, J. R. Turner, Fred Wallace, and Walter Wigfall; and

Whereas, Coach Harms and the team received valuable support from assistant coaches: Chris Ballard, George Coleman, Richard Cundiff, Keithen DeGrate, Joe Harms, Lee Hayes, James Jefferson, David Montano, Ronnie Perez, Don Pittman, Mike Spheeris, Jason Taylor, and Matt Witter; and

Whereas, others in the athletic department providing valuable support were assistant athletic director/trainer Ruben Cantu, assistant athletic director/media relations Fred Nuesch, assistant athletic director/administrator Jill Willson, secretary Vivian Scholz, ticket manager Rosie Moreno, filmer Max DeBoard, the student trainers, the student sports information department staff members, the maintenance department personnel, and the workers in the athletic ticket office; and

Whereas, great support was received from the Javelina Marching Band and the Javelina cheerleaders; and

Whereas, one of the greatest assets of the football team has been the great spirit exhibited by the Texas A&M University-Kingsville students and fans; now, therefore, be it

Resolved, that the Board of Regents of The Texas A&M University System, meeting this 26<sup>th</sup> day of March 1999, congratulates Coach Ron Harms and all of the players and others associated with the team for their contributions to Texas A&M University-Kingsville, The Texas A&M University System, and the State of Texas; 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 Coach Harms, to the assistant coaches and other staff members, and to each member of the team, and to the Archives of Texas A&M University-Kingsville, as a permanent mark of this Board's appreciation and gratitude to all these individuals for a job well done.

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Mr. Powell and Ms. Armstrong presented a framed resolution to Coach Harms, Mr. Rose and Mr. Palmer.

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Mr. Powell called on Dr. Bowen to present Items 35 through 37. The Board took action as set forth below:

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**MINUTE ORDER 084-1999 (AGENDA ITEM 35)**

**ADOPTION OF RESOLUTION  
EXPRESSING APPRECIATION TO  
DR. DON WILSON,  
TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY**

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

Whereas, Dr. Don W. Wilson has formally retired as Executive Director of the George Bush Presidential Library Center and of the George Bush Presidential Library Foundation, the positions he has held since April of 1993, when he was appointed to those offices by President George Bush; and

Whereas, Dr. Wilson's dedicated service and effective guidance in establishing the George Bush Presidential Library on the campus of Texas A&M University has greatly enhanced the reputation of the University, The Texas A&M University System and the State of Texas; and

Whereas, Dr. Wilson has distinguished himself as a historian over a period of more than three decades, with his scholarly career reaching new heights in 1987 when President Ronald Reagan appointed him as the seventh Archivist of the United States, the position he held prior to accepting President Bush's invitation to come to College Station and provide leadership for planning and building a state-of-the-art presidential library; and

Whereas, Dr. Wilson previously held numerous administrative and leadership positions in both state and federal historical associations, including service as Deputy Director of the Dwight D. Eisenhower Presidential Library, as the first Director of the Gerald Ford Presidential Library, as Associate Director of the State Historical Society of Wisconsin and as Archivist for the Kansas State Historical Society; and

Whereas, he served as a Research Professor with the Center for Presidential Studies at Texas A&M University in conjunction with his other duties, continuing a professional career that included appointments on the history faculties of the University of Michigan and Washburn University of Topeka, Kansas; and

Whereas, Dr. Wilson received his undergraduate degree from Washburn University and Master of Arts and Doctor of Philosophy degrees, as well as an honorary Doctor of Letters degree, from the University of Cincinnati, where he was a National Defense Fellow for three years; and

Whereas, Dr. Wilson has received numerous professional awards, including the General Services Administration Public Service Award and five

Outstanding Performance Awards from the National Archives and Records Service; and

Whereas, he has served as a consultant for various historical societies and has served as an officer or a member of the boards of directors of several civic and governmental organizations, including service as Chairman of the Federal Executive Branch Steering Committee of the Commemoration of World War II; and

Whereas, he has written many articles for historical journals and quarterlies, is the author of a book entitled "*Governor Charles Robinson of Kansas*," and has served on the boards of prestigious historical journals and book award committees; now, therefore, be it

Resolved, that we, the members of the Board of Regents of The Texas A&M University System, meeting this 26<sup>th</sup> day of March 1999, hereby express our appreciation and sincerest thanks to Dr. Don W. Wilson for his leadership, vision and guidance in establishing the George Bush Presidential Library and for his distinguished service in these and other efforts at Texas A&M University during the past six years; 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. Don W. Wilson, and to the Archives of Texas A&M University, as a permanent expression of the esteem in which he is held.

**MINUTE ORDER 085-1999 (AGENDA ITEM 36)**

**AUTHORIZATION TO AWARD AN HONORARY DOCTOR  
OF SCIENCE DEGREE TO ROBERT BYRON BIRD,  
TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY**

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

Texas A&M University is authorized to award an honorary Doctor of Science degree to Robert Bryon Bird.

**MINUTE ORDER 086-1999 (AGENDA ITEM 37)**

**AUTHORIZATION TO AWARD AN HONORARY DOCTOR  
OF SCIENCE DEGREE TO RICHARD H. BATTIN,  
TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY**

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

Texas A&M University is authorized to award an honorary Doctor of Science degree to Richard H. Battin.

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Mr. Powell called on Dr. Thompson to present Items 42 through 45. The Board took action as set forth below:

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**MINUTE ORDER 087-1999 (AGENDA ITEM 42)**

**GRANTING OF TENURE,  
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 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 98-99-03, a copy of which is attached to the official minutes as **Exhibit L**.

**MINUTE ORDER 088-1999 (AGENDA ITEM 43)**

**GRANTING OF EMERITUS TITLES,  
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:

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. 98-99-04, a copy of which is attached to the official minutes as **Exhibit M**, and grants all rights and privileges of this title.

**MINUTE ORDER 089-1999 (AGENDA ITEM 44)**

**AUTHORIZATION FOR FACULTY DEVELOPMENT LEAVE,  
TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY**

On motion of Mr. Nye, 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, in accordance with System Policy 31.03 and Section 51.101 of the Texas Education Code, authorizes faculty development leave to the faculty members



as set forth on Faculty Development Leave List FY 2000, Texas A&M University, a copy of which is attached to the official minutes as **Exhibit N.**

**MINUTE ORDER 090-1999 (AGENDA ITEM 45)**

**CONFIRMATION OF  
APPOINTMENTS, PROMOTIONS AND TERMINATIONS,  
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 appointments, promotions and terminations 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.98-99-04, a copy of which is attached to the official minutes as **Exhibit O**, Promotion List No. 98-99-04, a copy of which is attached to the official minutes as **Exhibit P**, and Termination List 98-99-04, a copy of which is attached to the official minutes as **Exhibit Q**, are hereby confirmed.

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Mr. Powell called on Dr. Thompson to present Items 38 through 41. The Board took action as set forth below:

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**MINUTE ORDER 091-1999 (AGENDA ITEM 38)**

**APPROVAL OF  
APPOINTMENT AND COMMISSIONING OF A PEACE OFFICER,  
TEXAS FOREST SERVICE**

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

The Board of Regents of The Texas A&M University System hereby commissions the Texas Forest Service employee, Mr. David D. Zeigler, as a peace officer.

**MINUTE ORDER 092-1999 (AGENDA ITEM 39)**

**APPROVAL OF  
APPOINTMENT AND COMMISSIONING OF PEACE OFFICERS,  
THE TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY SYSTEM**

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

In accordance with System Policy 34,06, Appointment, Commissioning and Authority of Peace Officers, the Board of Regents hereby confirms the appointment and commissioning of peace officers as authorized by the Presidents of the respective components of The Texas A&M University System, a copy of which is attached to the official minutes as **Exhibit R**.

**MINUTE ORDER 093-1999 (AGENDA ITEM 40)**

**ADOPTION OF A RESOLUTION IN MEMORY OF  
VICE CHAIRMAN EMERITUS JOHN R. BLOCKER,  
BOARD OF REGENTS,  
THE TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY SYSTEM**

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

Whereas, Mr. John R. Blocker gave six years of honorable and dedicated service to the Board of Regents of The Texas A&M University System from 1977 to 1983; and

Whereas, during Mr. Blocker's tenure on the Board, he served as Vice Chairman of the Board, Chairman of the Committee for Academic Campuses, a member of the Executive Committee and Planning and Building Committee and a member of various ad hoc committees of the Board, including serving as Chairman of the Target 2000 Project; and

Whereas, he was a strong and influential leader in fundraising for his alma mater, Texas A&M University, through the years serving as a trustee of the Texas A&M University Research Foundation, a member of the Texas A&M Executive Development Advisory Committee, on committees in the College of Business Administration and on the Centennial Scholarships Steering Committee; and

Whereas, Mr. Blocker has endowed both President's and 12th Man Scholarships at Texas A&M University, the Jeanne and John Blocker Chair in the College of Business Administration and the John R. Blocker Chair in Finance; and

Whereas, the Board of Regents named a building in his honor in 1983, the John R. Blocker Building, which houses the College of Liberal Arts, College of Science, Departments of English and Mathematics, Race and Ethnic Studies Institute, the Department of Agricultural Economics and other offices; and

Whereas, Mr. Blocker earned a bachelor's degree in business administration from Texas A&M University, and subsequently served his country in the U.S. Army Infantry during World War II as a Second Lieutenant and was awarded two Battle Stars and the Bronze Star Medal; and

Whereas, his pride, love and loyalty to his alma mater, Texas A&M University, includes being recognized by Texas A&M's Association of Former Students which honored Mr. Blocker with its Distinguished Alumnus Award, being named Texas Business Executive of the Year in 1982 by the Texas A&M College of Business Administration, and receiving the Houston Outstanding Aggie Award from the Houston A&M Club in 1981; and

Whereas, Mr. Blocker has received notable recognition throughout his life as an esteemed businessman, serving as president of Blocker Energy Corporation; Blocker International; Blocker Canada, Ltd.; and other energy-related firms, and had ranching interests in Alice, Cat Springs and Navasota; and

Whereas, he was widely recognized for his community service, including serving as a member of the Executive Board of the Sam Houston Area Council of the Boy Scouts of America and receiving the Houston InterAmerica's Chamber of Commerce Executive of the Year Award; and

Whereas, The Texas A&M University System and the State of Texas acknowledge Mr. Blocker's lifetime contributions to the State of Texas, Texas higher education, The Texas A&M University System and Texas A&M University; now, therefore, be it

Resolved, that we, the members of the Board of Regents of The Texas A&M University System, meeting on this 26<sup>th</sup> day of March 1999, express our deepest gratitude and respect for his distinguished service; and, be it, further

Resolved, that this resolution be spread upon the minutes, and copies thereof, be sent to Mr. Blocker's family and to the Archives of The Texas A&M University System as a permanent mark of the respect of this Board for the life and work of the late Mr. John R. Blocker and as a token of this Board's sympathy in his family's great loss.

**MINUTE ORDER 094-1999 (AGENDA ITEM 41)**

**ADOPTION OF A RESOLUTION IN MEMORY OF  
REGENT EMERITUS NORMAN MOSER,  
BOARD OF REGENTS,  
THE TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY SYSTEM**

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

Whereas, Mr. Norman Moser gave six years of honorable and dedicated service to the Board of Regents of The Texas A&M University System from 1979 to 1985; and

Whereas, during Mr. Moser's tenure on the Board, he served on various committees, including four years as Chairman of the Committee for Service Units and as a member of the Executive Committee and Committee for Academic Campuses; and

Whereas, Mr. Moser contributed significantly to improvements in the programs of the four universities and eight state agencies comprising The Texas A&M University System at that time; and

Whereas, Mr. Moser was a 1937 graduate of Texas A&M University with a bachelor's degree in animal husbandry and supported his alma mater with great commitment for 60 years; and

Whereas, in 1971, he was honored with the Distinguished Alumnus Award by the Association of Former Students of Texas A&M University in recognition of his numerous business and civic accomplishments; and

Whereas, Mr. Moser served his community of DeKalb and Bowie County by sharing his time, expertise, vision and leadership abilities, and was honored with the "Heart of the Community Award" from the DeKalb Chamber of Commerce in 1996; and

Whereas, he has received notable recognition throughout his life as an esteemed rancher and banker, serving as president of the Texas and Southwestern Cattle Raisers Association, National Finance Credit Association of Fort Worth and the Texas Livestock Marketing Association; and

Whereas, Mr. Moser also served as chairman of both the National Livestock and Meat Board and the Texas Animal Health Commission; and

Whereas, The Texas A&M University System and the State of Texas acknowledge Mr. Moser's lifetime contributions to the State of Texas, Texas higher education, the Texas agriculture industry, The Texas A&M University System and Texas A&M University; now, therefore, be it

Resolved, that we, the members of the Board of Regents of The Texas A&M University System, meeting on this 26<sup>th</sup> day of March 1999, express our deepest gratitude and respect for his distinguished service; and, be it, further

Resolved, that this resolution be spread upon the minutes, and copies thereof, be sent to Mr. Moser's family and to the Archives of The Texas A&M University System as a permanent mark of the respect of this Board for the life and work of the late Mr. Norman Moser and as a token of this Board's sympathy in his family's great loss.

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Mr. Powell called on Dr. E. Joahanne Thomas-Smith, Provost and Vice President for Academic Affairs for PVAMU, to present Item 46. The Board took action as set forth below:

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**MINUTE ORDER 095-1999 (AGENDA ITEM 46)**

**APPOINTMENT OF DR. H. ELAINE RODNEY AS  
DEAN FOR THE SCHOOL OF JUVENILE JUSTICE,  
PRAIRIE VIEW A&M UNIVERSITY**

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

Upon recommendation of Chancellor Barry B. Thompson and Prairie View A&M University President Charles A. Hines, H. Elaine Rodney, Ph.D., is hereby appointed as Dean, School of Juvenile Justice at Prairie View A&M University, effective February 1, 1999.

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Mr. Powell called on Dr. Bowen to present Item 48. The Board took action as set forth below:

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**MINUTE ORDER 096-1999 (REVISED AGENDA ITEM 48)**

**ADOPTION OF A  
RESOLUTION RECOGNIZING MR. JEFF MAGGERT,  
TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY**

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

Whereas, Jeffrey Allan “Jeff” Maggert, a former student of Texas A&M University, has distinguished himself as a member of the Professional Golfers Association, capping his career to date by winning the inaugural Andersen Consulting Match Play Championship in Carlsbad, California, on February 28, 1999, winning over competition that included top-ranked Tiger Woods, among others, and in the process, earning \$1 million in prize money, believed to be a record award to one player for a single tournament; and

Whereas, while a student at Texas A&M University, Mr. Maggert earned All-America honors in 1986 before becoming a professional golfer later that same year, and in 1990 he was named the Ben Hogan Tour Player of the Year, and was selected as a member of the prestigious Ryder Cup Team in 1997; and

Whereas, Mr. Maggert has consistently ranked among the top professional golfers in tournament play throughout the decade of the 1990s, and with other career highlights including victories in such tournaments as the Walt Disney World/Oldsmobile Classic in 1993, the Knoxville Open and the Buffalo Open in 1990, the Vines Classic in Australia in 1990 and the Malaysian Open in 1989; now, therefore, be it

Resolved, that we, the members of the Board of Regents of The Texas A&M University System, meeting this 26th day of March 1999, hereby express our congratulations to Mr. Jeffrey Allan “Jeff” Maggert for his accomplishments in his chosen field; 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. Jeffrey Allan “Jeff” Maggert and to the Archives of Texas A&M University as an expression of appreciation for the highly favorable national and international recognition that Mr. Maggert has brought to Texas A&M University as a result of his success as a collegiate and professional golfer.

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Mr. Powell called on Dr. Robert R. Furgason, President of TAMU-CC, to present Item 50. The Board took action as set forth below:

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**MINUTE ORDER 097-1999 (REVISED AGENDA ITEM 50)**

**AUTHORIZATION TO AWARD AN HONORARY DEGREE TO  
MR. EDWARD H. HARTE,  
TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY-CORPUS CHRISTI**

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

Texas A&M University-Corpus Christi is authorized to award an honorary degree to Mr. Edward H. Harte.

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Mr. Powell said the next regular meeting would be held on May 27-28, 1999.

**ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business, Mr. Powell adjourned the meeting at 11:45 a.m., on Friday, March 26, 1999.

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

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