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*MINUTES OF THE  
MEETING OF THE BOARD OF REGENTS  
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*CONVENE - JULY 27, 2000*

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 11:00 a.m., on Thursday, July 27, 2000, in the Sam Rayburn Memorial Student Center, Founders Lounge, Texas A&M University-Commerce, Commerce, Texas. 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. R.H. (Steve) Stevens, Jr.  
Dr. Susan Rudd Wynn

The following member of the Board was not present:

Mr. Lionel Sosa

*INVOCATION*

The invocation was presented by Mr. Jonathan Gipson, a senior at Texas A&M University-Commerce (TAMU-C), majoring in Management Information Systems.

*CHANCELLOR'S REMARKS*

Mr. Howard D. Graves, Chancellor of The Texas A&M University System (TAMUS), thanked the leadership from all of the institutions for their contributions. He said a lot of advances have been made with the Regents Initiative and they have now inducted the first 114 faculty members into the Academy for Educator Development. Mr. Graves said these are educators in the various faculties who are not in the colleges of education but who are contributing a lot to the principles of teacher training, teacher recruiting, and relationships with local public education institutions. This initiative has been shared with other states and it is clear that Texas is one of the leading states in this effort and TAMUS is providing a very important leadership role.

Mr. Graves said a system symposium is being planned which will be held in October in San Antonio. This symposium will provide an opportunity for the leaders of the institutions, agencies and System offices to review where TAMUS is going, what it is doing and provide an opportunity for the sharing of successes and benchmarking. Mr. Graves then referred to a new view book for the System, with the logo "Promise for a New Century." Mr. Graves announced that Dr. James Cole, has been selected to serve as Dean of the Baylor College of Dentistry (BCD),



as of July 10, and said he was delighted to have Dr. Cole as a part of the leadership team. Mr. Nye mentioned that Dr. Cole was very well received on the campus of BCD.

**REPORT FROM PRESIDENT OF TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY-COMMERCE**

Dr. Keith McFarland, President of TAMU-C, welcomed the Board on behalf of the students, faculty, staff and community members. He said it really means a lot when the Board has its meetings on the various campuses and shows support to the universities.

Dr. McFarland said there are a lot of exciting things happening for TAMU-C and the community. He said some of these are programmatic. This fall, TAMU-C will have eight new academic programs that range from doctoral, master's and bachelor's. He said that a lot of things are happening facilities-wise. By the end of September, or early October, construction will begin on a 300-bed apartment-style residence hall. Dr. McFarland said this will be the first new construction on the campus in 25 years and the first residence hall in more than 30 years. In addition to that, the high-rise residence hall, Whitley Hall, will be opening next month. Dr. McFarland explained that it has been closed down for more than a year as a new sprinkler system and fire alarm system have been installed. In addition, they are working with architects to design a new instructional recreational facility. Dr. McFarland said that at this meeting, the Board would be asked to approve the program of requirements for the Temple Building renovation. He said they are in the process of developing a comprehensive master plan and they are having all of the buildings evaluated for safety and structural soundness.

Dr. McFarland said all of this is being done to ultimately benefit students. He then introduced the following representatives from the student body, faculty, and community who gave remarks: Mr. Paul Simmons, Student Body President; Ms. Kim Hill, a graduate student; Mr. Alexis Rivas, an undergraduate student; Dr. William Thompson, faculty member in charge of the Mayo College; Dr. Alma Mintu-Wimsatt, a faculty member who spoke on the subject of distance learning; Ms. Loretta Kibler, Superintendent of Commerce ISD; and Mr. John Sands, Mayor of the City of Commerce.

Dr. McFarland concluded by saying that TAMU-C and the City of Commerce are headed in the right direction, and they are excited because they have been able to do so much since they became a part of TAMUS.

Mr. Powell asked about the foundation. Dr. McFarland said it has been around for more than 20 years. It has become especially active in the last couple of years and they are completing the capital campaign now. The campaign started about two and one-half years ago with the goal of \$5 million. He said they have just about reached their goal and should exceed it.

**RECESS**

Mr. Powell recessed the meeting at 11:50 a.m.

*(Secretary's Note: A meeting of the Committee on Finance was held from 1:05 p.m. to 1:50 p.m. A meeting of the Committee for Academic and Student Affairs was held from 1:51 p.m. to 2:40 p.m.)*

**RECONVENE AND REPORT ON BIOTECHNOLOGY**

Mr. Powell reconvened the Board meeting at 2:55 p.m. and called on Ms. Anne Armstrong, Co-Chairman of the Ad Hoc Committee on Biotechnology. Ms. Armstrong said since the Board last received a report, at the suggestion of Co-Chairman Nye, they continued to get together the best practices of other states and that study is now completed. She said Co-Chairman Nye made another good suggestion and that was to get together a list of institutions and sectors, and their leadership, that should be contacted. Ms. Armstrong said this included everything from academics to government, state, federal, all levels, and of course academics. She said they have already started on this. They have had meetings with representatives from Governor Bush's office, Lieutenant Governor Rick Perry and Speaker Pete Laney. There have been meetings with most of the chief executive officers of the leading universities of the state and within TAMUS. Ms. Armstrong said assurance was received from Speaker Laney that this project would be lucky to get state funding, but if it did, it would be on a matching basis. Ms. Armstrong said they have not yet run into any major roadblocks. Responses from the people who have heard the plan have varied from receptive to enthusiastic.

Ms. Armstrong introduced Dr. Walter Wendler, Vice Chancellor of Research, Planning and Continuing Education, to present this report, a copy of which is on file in the Office of the Board of Regents.

After discussion, it was decided that Dr. Wendler would summarize and incorporate the regents suggestions. She asked Dr. Wendler to get the timeline compiled. Dr. Wendler said they could also be thinking about business leaders to approach as champions for this initiative. Ms. Armstrong asked the regents to submit five names of business leaders that they think could be approached to champion this project. She added that it might be decided do this by sector -- for instance high tech, manufacturing or utilities. And, the five names should be from different sectors of the state. It should not be anybody from academia. It should be business leaders. Ms. Armstrong then asked Dr. Wendler if there were any other things that could be helpful besides the list of possible champions. Dr. Wendler said the list would be most helpful. He said he and his Phase Zero Group would begin to work and try to answer some of the questions asked by the regents.

Dr. Wendler said in closing, the strength of this is that it is a statewide initiative. It is very important, if you look at the aerospace industry and ask yourself where was the intellectual capital of that industry, you get the answer and can see what was going on there. The seeds were planted for that development and the economic impacts are visible when you look at the State of California. It was a broad effort across all sorts of businesses, industries and higher education. It is kind of a primary and secondary issue. He said if we can get the right kind of spokespeople, then we can do the same thing in Texas.

Ms. Armstrong said that Dr. Wendler had done a superb job and thanked Mr. Graves for working on such an enormous subject.

**RECESS**

Mr. Powell recessed the Board meeting at 4:10 p.m.

**RECONVENE - JULY 28, 2000**

Mr. Powell reconvened the meeting of the Board of Regents at 8:09 a.m., Friday, July 28, 2000. 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. R.H. (Steve) Stevens  
Dr. Susan Rudd Wynn

The following member of the Board was not present:

Mr. Lionel Sosa

**CONVENE IN CLOSED SESSION**

At 8:10 a.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: 551.071, for consultation with System attorneys on pending and proposed litigation and matters recognized as attorney/client confidential and privileged; 551.072, for discussion regarding the acquisition, lease, exchange, disposition and value of real estate, including Items 11 through 14; 551.073, for discussion of negotiated contracts for prospective gifts or donations; and 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.

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.

**RECONVENE IN OPEN SESSION AND RECESS**

Mr. Powell reconvened the meeting in open session at 11:55 a.m. He said the Board met in closed session from 8:10 a.m. to 11:54 a.m. Mr. Powell then recessed the meeting.

*(Secretary's Note: A meeting of the Committee on Buildings and Physical Plant was held from to 11:55 a.m. to 11:59 a.m.).*

**RECONVENE**

Mr. Powell reconvened the meeting of the Board of Regents at 12:00 noon.

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 held a meeting on July 10, 2000, at the Alkek Institute of Biosciences and Technology, in Houston, Texas, and recommended approval of Items 1 through 10, pertaining to construction.

Dr. Avilés said regarding Item 1, The Events Center at West Texas A&M University, the Committee recommended that the parking associated with the Events Center be completed as part of The Events Center project and an agenda item to expand the project scope and budget be brought to the appropriate committee and Board meeting(s) for approval. Dr. Avilés added that the Committee hopes this will be done in September.

Dr. Avilés said regarding Item 5, the Chemical Engineering Building at Texas A&M University (TAMU), approval of the program of requirements included a Committee recommendation that an alternate bid item be made part of the bid package to provide for finishing-out the shelled-in space. The shelled-in space is currently included in the base bid package.

Dr. Avilés said regarding Item 7, the Wehner Building Expansion at TAMU, approval for the program of requirements was conditioned on a recommendation that the university administration seek additional funding to include two spaces that were removed during the program of requirements for budgetary reasons. Dr. Avilés added that the minute order should be increased to \$13.7 million to reflect additional funding committed by the university administration from tuition revenue bonds. He said that is a change that the Committee recommends to the minute order.

Dr. Avilés said the following Architect/Engineer Design Team selections were recommended by the Committee:

- Design the Harte Performing Arts Center at Texas A&M University-Corpus Christi: Cotton/Landreth Architects, Inc. of Corpus Christi, Texas
- Design the Temple Building Renovation at Texas A&M University-Commerce: Corgan Associates, Inc. of Dallas, Texas
- Design the Alkek Institute of Biosciences and Technology Fourth Floor Buildout, The Texas A&M University System Health Science Center in Houston: Watkins, Hamilton, Ross Architects, Inc. of Houston, Texas
- Design the Chemical Engineering Building at Texas A&M University: 3D/International of Houston, Texas

- Design the Wehner Building Expansion at Texas A&M University: Kirksey and Partners Architects, Inc. of Houston, Texas
- Design the Main Campus Streets and Area Drainage Improvements at Texas A&M University: Klotz Associates, Inc. of Houston, Texas
- Design the West Campus Training and Dressing Room Facility at Texas A&M University: VLK Architects, Inc. of Arlington, Texas

Dr. Avilés said the following actions were taken by the Chancellor pursuant to System Policy 51.04 on construction projects for the award of contracts since the last regular meeting of the Board of Regents.

- 1) Construction contract for the Panhandle Plains Historical Museum Renovation, West Texas A&M University to Wiley Hicks, Jr., Inc. of Houston, Texas, in the amount of \$1,859,187.00.
- 2) Construction contract for the Science and Technology Building, Texas A&M University to J.T. Vaughn Construction Company of Houston, Texas, in the amount of \$9,256,414.00.
- 3) Movable furnishings contract for the Evans Library Renovation, Phase II, Texas A&M University to Agati, Inc. of Chicago, Illinois, in the amount of \$237,187.00.
- 4) Movable furnishings contract for the Evans Library Renovation, Phase II, Texas A&M University to Educational and Institutional Cooperative Services, Inc. of Carrollton, Texas, in the amount of \$74,863.00.

Dr. Avilés said the Committee also recommended approval of Items 11 through 14, pertaining to real estate.

The Board took action as set forth below:

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**MINUTE ORDER 111-2000 (AGENDA ITEM 1)**

**APPROVAL OF BUDGET INCREASE AND  
SUPPLEMENTAL APPROPRIATION FOR DESIGN/BUILD  
PRE-CONSTRUCTION SERVICES FOR THE EVENTS CENTER,  
WEST TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY**

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

The budget increase of \$2,900,000.00 for The Events Center project at West Texas A&M University is approved.

Supplementing a previous appropriation of \$790,000.00, the amount of \$160,000.00 is appropriated from Account No. 11-1085029 Designated Tuition for design/build pre-construction services of The Events Center at West Texas A&M University.

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

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

*(Secretary's Note: Dr. Avilés reported that the Committee recommended that the parking associated with The Events Center be completed as part of The Events Center project and an agenda item to expand the project scope and budget be brought to the appropriate Committee and Board of Regents meetings for approval. Dr. Avilés said that he hoped this would be brought to the Board at its September Board meeting.)*

**MINUTE ORDER 112-2000 (AGENDA ITEM 2)**

**APPROVAL OF THE PROGRAM OF REQUIREMENTS,  
APPROPRIATION FOR DESIGN AND SELECTION OF THE  
ARCHITECT/ENGINEER DESIGN TEAM FOR  
THE HARTE PERFORMING ARTS CENTER,  
TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY-CORPUS CHRISTI**

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

The program of requirements for the Harte Performing Arts Center at Texas A&M University-Corpus Christi is approved.

Supplementing a previous appropriation of \$15,000.00, the amount of \$420,000.00 is appropriated from Account No. 830439 Performing Arts Center for design of the Harte Performing Arts Center at Texas A&M University-Corpus Christi.

The firm of Cotton/Landreth Architects, Inc. of Corpus Christi, Texas, is selected to head the architect/engineer design team for the Harte Performing Arts Center of 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 debt is issued, possess the financial capacity to satisfy their Direct Obligations.

**MINUTE ORDER 113-2000 (AGENDA ITEM 3)**

**APPROVAL OF THE PROGRAM OF REQUIREMENTS,  
APPROPRIATION FOR DESIGN AND SELECTION OF THE  
ARCHITECT/ENGINEER DESIGN TEAM FOR  
THE TEMPLE BUILDING RENOVATION,  
TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY-COMMERCE**

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

The program of requirements for the Temple Building Renovation at Texas A&M University-Commerce is approved.

Supplementing a previous appropriation of \$15,000.00, the amount of \$325,000.00 is appropriated from Account No. 083000 Plant Unappropriated Surplus - HEF for design of the Temple Building Renovation at Texas A&M University-Commerce.

The firm of Corgan Associates, Inc. of Dallas, Texas, is selected to head the architect/engineer design team for the Temple Building Renovation at Texas A&M University-Commerce.

**MINUTE ORDER 114-2000 (AGENDA ITEM 4)**

**APPROVAL OF THE PROGRAM OF REQUIREMENTS,  
APPROPRIATION FOR DESIGN AND SELECTION OF THE  
ARCHITECT/ENGINEER DESIGN TEAM FOR  
THE ALKEK INSTITUTE OF BIOSCIENCES AND TECHNOLOGY  
FOURTH FLOOR BUILDOUT IN HOUSTON, TEXAS,  
THE TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY SYSTEM HEALTH SCIENCE CENTER**

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

The program of requirements for the Alkek Institute of Biosciences and Technology (IBT) Fourth Floor Buildout at The Texas A&M University System Health Science Center at Houston, Texas, is approved.

Supplementing a previous appropriation of \$10,000.00, the amount of \$97,000.00 is appropriated from Account No. 083508 Taxable Permanent University Fund Bond Proceeds, \$95,000.00 from Account No. 03-528873 Institute of Biosciences and Technology Center for Comparative Medicine and \$93,000.00 from Account No. 03-024843 Institute of Biosciences and Technology for design of the Alkek IBT Fourth Floor Buildout at The Texas A&M University System Health Science Center at Houston.

The firm of Watkins, Hamilton, Ross Architects, Inc. of Houston, Texas, is selected to head the architect/engineer design team for the Alkek IBT Fourth Floor Buildout at The Texas A&M University System Health Science Center at Houston.

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 debt is issued, possess the financial capacity to satisfy their Direct Obligations.

**MINUTE ORDER 115-2000 (AGENDA ITEM 5)**

**APPROVAL OF THE PROGRAM OF REQUIREMENTS,  
APPROPRIATION FOR DESIGN AND SELECTION OF THE  
ARCHITECT/ENGINEER DESIGN TEAM FOR  
THE CHEMICAL ENGINEERING BUILDING,  
TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY**



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

The program of requirements for the Chemical Engineering Building at Texas A&M University is approved.

Supplementing a previous appropriation of \$25,000.00, the amount of \$1,140,000.00 is appropriated from Account No. 084210 Permanent University Fund Debt Proceeds for design of the Chemical Engineering Building at Texas A&M University.

The firm of 3D/International of Houston, Texas, is selected to head the architect/engineer design team for the Chemical Engineering Building at Texas A&M University.

The amount of \$25,000.00 of previous appropriations is reverted to Account No. 02-085008 Designated Tuition.

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 debt is issued, possess the financial capacity to satisfy their Direct Obligations.

*(Secretary's Note: Dr. Avilés reported that approval of the program of requirements included a Committee recommendation that an alternate bid item be made part of the bid package to provide for finishing-out the shelled-in space. The shelled-in space is currently included in the base bid package.)*

**MINUTE ORDER 116-2000 (AGENDA ITEM 6)**

**APPROVAL OF THE PROGRAM OF REQUIREMENTS AND  
APPROPRIATION FOR DESIGN FOR THE  
CAMPUS UTILITY PLANTS FIRE AND SECURITY IMPROVEMENTS,  
TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY**

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

The program of requirements for the Campus Utility Plants Fire and Security Improvements at Texas A&M University is approved.

Supplementing a previous appropriation of \$75,000.00, the amount of \$135,000.00 is appropriated from Account No. 027016 Utility System Revenue Fund Reserve for design of the Campus Utility Plants Fire and Security 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).

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 debt is issued, possess the financial capacity to satisfy their Direct Obligations.

**MINUTE ORDER 117-2000 (AGENDA ITEM 7-REVISED)**

**APPROVAL OF THE PROGRAM OF REQUIREMENTS,  
APPROPRIATION FOR DESIGN AND  
SELECTION OF THE ARCHITECT/ENGINEER DESIGN TEAM  
FOR THE WEHNER BUILDING EXPANSION,  
TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY**

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

The program of requirements for the Wehner Building Expansion at Texas A&M University is approved. The project budget is approved at \$13,700,000.00 with the additional \$2,700,000.00 funded from Tuition Revenue Bonds.

Supplementing a previous appropriation of \$15,000.00, the amount of \$780,000.00 is appropriated from Account No. 085002 Unappropriated Plant Funds-Wehner Building (Designated Tuition) for design of the Wehner Building Expansion at Texas A&M University.

The firm of Kirksey and Partners Architects, Inc. of Houston, Texas, is selected to head the architect/engineer design team for the Wehner Building Expansion at Texas A&M University.

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

As required by Section 5(a) of the Master Resolution of the Revenue Financing System, the Board hereby determines that it will have sufficient funds to meet the financial obligations of The Texas A&M University System, including sufficient Pledged Revenues to satisfy the Annual Debt Service Requirements of the Revenue Financing System and to meet all financial

obligations of the Board relating to the Revenue Financing System and that the Participants, on whose behalf the debt is issued, possess the financial capacity to satisfy their Direct Obligations.

*(Secretary's Note: Dr. Avilés reported that approval of the program of requirements was conditioned on a recommendation that the University Administration seek additional funding to include two spaces that were removed during the program of requirements for budgetary reasons. The minute order was amended to reflect that the project budget was increased to \$13,700,000.00 to reflect additional funding committed by the University Administration from Tuition Revenue Bonds.)*

**MINUTE ORDER 118-2000 (AGENDA ITEM 8)**

**APPROVAL OF THE PROGRAM OF REQUIREMENTS,  
APPROPRIATION FOR DESIGN AND  
SELECTION OF THE ARCHITECT/ENGINEER DESIGN TEAM  
FOR THE MAIN CAMPUS STREETS AND  
AREA DRAINAGE IMPROVEMENTS,  
TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY**

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

The program of requirements for the Main Campus Streets and Area Drainage Improvements at Texas A&M University is approved.

Supplementing a previous appropriation of \$10,000.00, the amount of \$655,000.00 is appropriated from Account No. 027016 Utility System Revenue Fund for design of the Main Campus Streets and Area Drainage Improvements at Texas A&M University.

The firm of Klotz Associates, Inc. of Houston, Texas, is selected to head the architect/engineer design team for the Main Campus Streets and Area Drainage 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).

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 debt is issued, possess the financial capacity to satisfy their Direct Obligations.

**MINUTE ORDER 119-2000 (AGENDA ITEM 9)**

**APPROVAL OF THE PROGRAM OF REQUIREMENTS,  
APPROPRIATION FOR DESIGN AND**

**SELECTION OF THE ARCHITECT/ENGINEER DESIGN TEAM  
FOR THE WEST CAMPUS TRAINING AND DRESSING ROOM FACILITY,  
TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY**

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

The program of requirements for the West Campus Training and Dressing Room Facility at Texas A&M University is approved.

Supplementing a previous appropriation of \$20,000.00, the amount of \$346,000.00 is appropriated from Account No. 301700 Reserve for Athletic Facilities for design of the West Campus Training and Dressing Room Facility at Texas A&M University.

The firm of VLK Architects, Inc. of Arlington, Texas, is selected to head the architect/engineer design team for the West Campus Training and Dressing Room Facility.

**MINUTE ORDER 120-2000 (AGENDA ITEM 10)**

**APPROVAL OF THE STATEMENT OF WORK  
AND APPROPRIATION FOR DESIGN FOR  
EASTERWOOD AIRPORT IMPROVEMENTS,  
PHASE III (G/A APRONS),  
TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY**

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

The statement of work for Easterwood Airport Improvements, Phase III (G/A Aprons) at Texas A&M University is approved.

Supplementing a previous appropriation of \$10,000.00, the amount of \$110,000.00 is appropriated from Account No. 030002 Airport Operations for the statement of work for Easterwood Airport Improvements, Phase III (G/A Aprons) at Texas A&M University.

**MINUTE ORDER 121-2000 (AGENDA ITEM 11)**

**AUTHORIZATION TO EXECUTE A  
DRAINAGE EASEMENT TO BRIDLE BIT CORPORATION,  
BEXAR COUNTY, TEXAS,  
THE TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY SYSTEM**

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

The Chancellor of The Texas A&M University System, or his designee, after favorable recommendation by the System Real Estate Office and legal review by the Office of General Counsel, is authorized to execute a drainage easement to Bridle Bit Corporation, or assigns. The

dimensions of this drainage easement are approximately 32 feet in width and 680 feet in length across a portion of the Texas Engineering Extension Service property, and is situated in the James McKay Survey No. 48, Abstract No. 522 NCB 10920, City of San Antonio, Bexar County, Texas, as described in Volume 1859, Page 172, Real Property Records of Bexar County, Texas. This easement will be for a ten (10) year term with total consideration being \$21,430.00.

**MINUTE ORDER 122-2000 (AGENDA ITEM 12)**

**AUTHORIZATION TO EXECUTE A  
RIGHT-OF-WAY EASEMENT TO  
RELIANT ENERGY HL&P, BRAZORIA COUNTY, TEXAS,  
THE TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY SYSTEM**

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

The Chancellor of The Texas A&M University System, or his designee, after favorable recommendation by the System Real Estate Office and legal review by the Office of General Counsel, is authorized to execute a right-of-way easement for an aerial electric transmission line, approximately 68 feet in width and 2,579 feet in length (156.283 rods) across a portion of the Texas Agricultural Experiment Station at Angleton, Texas, out of the Theodore S. Lee Survey, Abstract No. 318, according to the map or plat thereof, recorded in Volume A-2, Page 166, of the Deed Records of Brazoria County, Texas. This easement will be for a ten (10) year term in favor of Reliant Energy HL&P, a division of Reliant Energy, Inc. Total consideration for this easement is \$15,628.30.

**MINUTE ORDER 123-2000 (AGENDA ITEM 13)**

**AUTHORIZATION FOR THE  
PURCHASE OF LAND, ERATH COUNTY, TEXAS,  
THE TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY SYSTEM**

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

The Chancellor of The Texas A&M University System, or his designee, following favorable 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 an unimproved tract of land described as Lot 1, Block 1, Southside Addition, City of Stephenville, Texas, situated in the John Blair Survey, Abstract No. 32, in Erath County, Texas. The purchase price of \$20,900.00, plus closing costs, is appropriated from Account No. 023001, styled "Designated Tuition" to Account No. 818300, styled "Land Acquisition -- Local Fund" for payment.

By approval of this minute order, the Board certifies the requirements of the Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board rules have been met and authorizes the Chancellor, or his designee, to take all steps necessary to communicate this certification to the Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board.

**MINUTE ORDER 124-2000 (AGENDA ITEM 14)**

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

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

The Chancellor of The Texas A&M University System, or his designee, following favorable 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 located at 365 St. Peter Street, described as all of Lot 12, and part of Lot 11, Block 29, Park Place Addition, City of Stephenville, Erath County, Texas. The purchase price of \$205,000.00, plus closing costs, is appropriated from Account No. 023001, styled "Designated Tuition" to Account No. 818300, styled "Land Acquisition -- Local Fund" for payment.

By approval of this Minute Order, the Board certifies the requirements of the Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board rules have been met and authorizes the Chancellor, or his designee, to take all steps necessary to communicate this certification to the Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board.

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Mr. Powell asked Mr. Allen to present the report of the Committee on Audit.

**REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON AUDIT**

Mr. Allen, Chairman of the Committee on Audit, said the Committee had met on July 18, in Houston, Texas. He said the Committee intends to have quarterly meetings with the Chief Auditor. Mr. Allen said the Committee reviewed and discussed matters contained in the Third Quarter Report. He said the matters contained in this report were being worked on. The Committee also received a report concerning the Statewide Single Audit Report and most of the problems contained in that report are compliance problems and they are being worked through. More importantly, the Committee asked Ms. Cathy Smock, Chief Auditor, to give the Committee a report on the matter in which the System's compliance programs are being pursued. They want the Internal Audit Department, with the assistance of the Chancellor, to identify any gaps or significant risks that may exist and then present a program to cure whatever exposure there may be. Mr. Allen concluded by saying that the Committee is extremely pleased with the manner in which the Internal Audit Department is now being managed and particularly pleased with the job that Ms. Smock is doing.

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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 the day before, July 27, and considered and recommended approval of Items 15 through 19, 20 as revised to change "spring 2000" to "summer 2000," and 21 thorough 23. He said the Committee received a report on investment performance, which was very encouraging and also considered some preliminary recommendations which will be brought back to the Committee and the Board at the September Board Meeting concerning investment policy recommendations. The Board took action as set forth below:

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**MINUTE ORDER 125-2000 (AGENDA ITEM 15)**

**APPROVAL OF FISCAL YEAR 2001 OPERATING BUDGETS,  
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 operating budgets of the Members of The Texas A&M University System for the fiscal year ending August 31, 2001, are hereby approved and adopted subject to the provisions contained in System Policy 27.04 (Budget Authorizations, Limitations and Delegations of Authority):

Operating Budget

Member	FY 2000	FY 2001	Change
Prairie View A&M University	\$83,302,859.00	88,367,702.00	6%
Tarleton State University	60,261,445.00	68,352,461.00	13%
Texas A&M International University	27,530,227.00	32,579,488.00	18%
Texas A&M University	716,241,096.00	761,456,381.00	6%
Texas A&M University-Commerce	70,531,381.00	70,855,256.00	0%
Texas A&M University-Corpus Christi	61,777,652.00	66,715,950.00	8%
Texas A&M University-Kingsville	71,827,672.00	74,721,457.00	4%
Texas A&M University-Texarkana	12,541,187.00	13,347,823.00	6%
West Texas A&M University	64,598,967.00	68,256,276.00	6%
Texas Agricultural Experiment Station	131,048,438.00	128,732,083.00	-2%
Texas Agricultural Extension Service	78,399,396.00	79,476,837.00	1%
Texas Forest Service	42,059,037.00	23,755,835.00	-44%
Texas Transportation Institute	33,370,000.00	34,711,427.00	4%
Texas Veterinary Medical Diagnostic Laboratory	9,345,347.00	9,538,883.00	2%
Texas Wildlife Damage Management Service	6,443,835.00	6,412,989.00	0%
Texas Engineering Experiment Station	68,858,938.00	71,327,355.00	4%
Texas Engineering Extension Service	57,472,813.00	56,539,309.00	-2%
Texas A&M University System Health Science Center	72,071,533.00	76,675,777.00	6%
System Administrative & General Offices Operations	9,818,494.00	10,160,235.00	3%
Debt Service	122,000,499.00	124,888,244.00	2%
<b>GRAND TOTAL</b>	<b>\$1,799,500,816.00</b>	<b>\$1,866,871,768.00</b>	<b>4%</b>

**MINUTE ORDER 126-2000 (AGENDA ITEM 16)**

**APPROVAL OF  
FISCAL YEAR 2001 SERVICE DEPARTMENT ACCOUNTS,  
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 service department accounts of the Members of The Texas A&M University System for the fiscal year ending August 31, 2001, included as **Exhibit A** attached to the official minutes, are hereby approved subject to the provisions contained in System Regulation 21.01.05, Service Departments.



**MINUTE ORDER 127-2000 (AGENDA ITEM 17)**

**ACCEPTANCE OF  
GIFTS, DONATIONS, GRANTS AND ENDOWMENTS,  
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 hereby accepts the gifts, donations, grants, and endowments made to the Members of The Texas A&M University System concerned as shown on Gifts, Donations, Grants, and Endowments List No. 99-00-06, a copy of which is attached to the official minutes as **Exhibit B**.

**MINUTE ORDER 128-2000 (AGENDA ITEM 18)**

**AUTHORIZATION TO ESTABLISH  
TWO QUASI-ENDOWMENTS TO BE CALLED THE  
"JAMIE LYNN HAND '03 BONFIRE MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP"  
AND THE  
"MICHAEL STEPHEN EBANKS '03 BONFIRE MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP,"  
TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY**

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

Authority is hereby granted to the President of Texas A&M University to establish two quasi-endowment accounts in the amount of \$50,000 each, to be called the "Jamie Lynn Hand '03 Bonfire Memorial Scholarship" and the "Michael Stephen Ebanks '03 Bonfire Memorial Scholarship." The accounts will be created with proceeds received from the estate of Caroline M. Mitchell. Interest earnings from the quasi-endowments will be used to support scholarships at Texas A&M University.

**MINUTE ORDER 129-2000 (AGENDA ITEM 19)**

**APPROVAL TO ESTABLISH 17 NEW QUASI-ENDOWMENTS  
AND PROVIDE ADDITIONAL MATCHING FOR 11 ACCOUNTS  
FUNDED IN 1998 AND 1999 FROM THE  
TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY BOOKSTORE QUASI-ENDOWMENT,  
TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY**

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

Authority is hereby granted to the President of Texas A&M University to allocate \$1,398,457.19, of current market value, from the Texas A&M University Bookstore Quasi-Endowment (076032) to establish 17 new quasi-endowed accounts and provide additional matching for 11 accounts established in 1998 and 1999 to match gifts received at the Texas A&M Foundation.

**MINUTE ORDER 130-2000 (AGENDA ITEM 20-REVISED)**

**CONFIRMATION OF PRESIDENT'S ACTION  
TO ESTABLISH OR AMEND STUDY ABROAD FEES,  
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 action of the President of Texas A&M University to establish or amend Study Abroad fees not to exceed the amounts shown in the **Exhibit C**, attached to the official minutes, is hereby confirmed. Costs shall include, but not be restricted to, transportation costs, room and board, admission fees, administrative costs, etc. These fees became effective beginning with the summer 2000 semester.

**MINUTE ORDER 131-2000 (AGENDA ITEM 21)**

**CONFIRMATION OF PRESIDENT'S ACTION TO ESTABLISH  
OR AMEND FIELD TRIP FEES AT  
TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY AT GALVESTON,  
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 action of the President of Texas A&M University to amend field trip fees not to exceed the amounts shown in **Exhibit D**, attached to the official minutes, is hereby confirmed. Costs shall include, but not be restricted to, transportation costs, room and board, admission fees, administrative costs, etc. These fees become effective beginning with the summer 2000 semester.

**MINUTE ORDER 132-2000 (AGENDA ITEM 22)**

**AUTHORIZATION TO USE FUNDS FROM THE  
AVAILABLE UNIVERSITY FUND TO MATCH PRIVATE GIFTS  
UNDER THE VISION 2020 CHAIR MATCHING PROGRAM,  
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 order for Texas A&M University to implement its Vision 2020 Chair Matching

Program, the President of Texas A&M University is authorized to use up to \$20,000,000 from the University's allocations from the Available University Fund (AUF) to match private gifts received through December 31, 2007.

**MINUTE ORDER 133-2000 (AGENDA ITEM 23)**

**APPROVAL OF THE DISTRIBUTION OF INCOME FOR  
CALENDAR YEAR 1999 FROM THE ESTATE OF ARDELLA R. HELM,  
TEXAS A&M 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 1999 from the Estate of Ardella R. Helm to Texas A&M University (\$67,602.67), Abilene Christian University (\$33,801.34) and Texas Women's University (\$33,801.34) is approved.

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

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

Ms. Armstrong said the Committee will tour campuses and extension centers in North and Central Texas on August 14 and 15 and invited all regents to participate. She said the Committee met the day before, July 27, considered and approved Items 24 through 28, and 50 (revised). The Board took action as set forth below:

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**MINUTE ORDER 134-2000 (AGENDA ITEM 24)**

**APPROVAL OF NEW MISSION STATEMENT AND  
HISTORY INFORMATION AND AUTHORIZATION FOR  
SUBMISSION TO THE TEXAS HIGHER EDUCATION COORDINATING BOARD,  
TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY**

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

Texas A&M University has developed a new Mission Statement that more succinctly reflects its role and scope than the statement adopted in May 1992. Therefore, it is requested that the Mission Statement and History information, a copy of which is attached the official minutes as **Exhibit E**, be approved by the Board of Regents for submission to the Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board.

**MINUTE ORDER 135-2000 (AGENDA ITEM 25)**

**AUTHORIZATION TO EXPAND TABLE OF PROGRAMS  
AND TO SUBMIT PROPOSAL TO THE  
TEXAS HIGHER EDUCATION COORDINATING BOARD,  
TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY**

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

Texas A&M University desires to expand its Table of Programs to allow planning authority for degrees not currently authorized by the Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board as shown on **Exhibit F**, attached to the official minutes. Therefore, the Board of Regents hereby approves this expanded Table of Programs and authorizes the President of Texas A&M University to submit the proposed changes to the Table of Programs for Texas A&M University to the Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board.

**MINUTE ORDER 136-2000 (AGENDA ITEM 26)**

**AUTHORIZATION TO SUBMIT PROPOSAL TO THE  
TEXAS HIGHER EDUCATION COORDINATING BOARD  
FOR TWO NEW DEGREES LEADING TO A  
B.A. AND B.S. IN TELECOMMUNICATION MEDIA STUDIES,  
TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY**

On motion of Mr. Stevens, 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 approves the establishment of two new degree programs at Texas A&M University leading to a Bachelor of Arts and a Bachelor of Science in Telecommunication Media Studies.

The Board authorizes the President of Texas A&M University to submit this degree program proposal to the Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board for approval and hereby certifies that all applicable criteria of the Coordinating Board for this proposal have been met.

**MINUTE ORDER 137-2000 (AGENDA ITEM 27)**

**APPROVAL OF CONCEPT FOR THE INSTITUTE  
FOR SCIENCE, TECHNOLOGY AND PUBLIC POLICY IN  
THE GEORGE BUSH SCHOOL OF GOVERNMENT AND PUBLIC SERVICE,  
TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY**

On motion of Mr. Stevens, seconded by Mr. Nye and by a unanimous vote, the Board approved the concept paper for the Institute for Science, Technology and Public Policy in the George Bush School of Government and Public Service, a copy of which is attached to the official minutes as **Exhibit G**.

**MINUTE ORDER 138-2000 (AGENDA ITEM 28)**

**APPROVAL OF AMENDED MISSION STATEMENT AND  
TABLE OF PROGRAMS FOR TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY AT GALVESTON  
AND AUTHORIZATION TO SUBMIT PROPOSAL TO THE  
TEXAS HIGHER EDUCATION COORDINATING BOARD,  
TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY**

On motion of Mr. Stevens, 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 approves the amended Mission Statement and Table of Programs for Texas A&M University at Galveston as contained in **Exhibit H**, attached to the official minutes.

The Board also authorizes the President of Texas A&M University to submit this amended Mission Statement and Table of Programs to the Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board for approval.

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Ms. Armstrong said Item 50 has a proposed revision. She read the last two paragraphs of the revision. The Board took action as set forth below:

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**MINUTE ORDER 139-2000 (AGENDA ITEM 50-REVISED)**

**APPROVAL OF REVISED CORE CURRICULUM AND  
AUTHORIZATION TO SUBMIT REVISED CORE CURRICULUM TO THE  
TEXAS HIGHER EDUCATION COORDINATING BOARD AND  
REQUIREMENT FOR THE PRESIDENT OF TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY  
TO PROVIDE A REPORT ON THE REVISED CORE CURRICULUM  
TO THE BOARD OF REGENTS,  
TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY**

On motion of Mr. Stevens, 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 approves the proposed 43-hour Core Curriculum as approved by the Faculty Senate at their May 8, 2000, meeting and authorizes the President of Texas A&M University to submit the revised Core Curriculum to the Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board. Once approval is received from the Coordinating Board, this proposed revised 43-hour Core Curriculum will become effective fall 2001, a copy of which is attached to the official minutes as **Exhibit I**.

The additional recommendations, which are that two writing-intensive courses be taken among the degree requirements beyond the core, that six hours of International and/or Cultural Diversity courses be taken either as part of the existing Core requirements or among other requirements for the degree, and that three years of foreign language be taken in high school or one year be taken at the university, will be phased in as courses are identified or developed and as high school counselors are appropriately notified of the foreign language requirement.

The President will, beginning with the July 2003 Board Meeting, and in two-year intervals thereafter, report to the Board of Regents on the status of the Core Curriculum and the writing-intensive courses, the international and/or cultural diversity courses and the foreign language requirement.

The purpose of these reports is to allow the Board of Regents to be knowledgeable about the evolution of the new Core Curriculum and to gain information about its implementation.

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**REPORT ON INCENTIVE PAY PROGRAM**

Dr. Bowen said the ball is in his court and they are putting together a group of people to create a score card for implementation. All of the background work has been done and it is the responsibility of TAMU to implement it.

**OTHER ITEMS**

Mr. Powell asked Mr. Graves to present Items 29 through 36. The Board took action as set forth below:

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**MINUTE ORDER 140-2000 (AGENDA ITEM 29)**

**GRANTING OF ACADEMIC TENURE,  
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, 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 99-00-06, a copy of which is attached to the official minutes as **Exhibit J**.

**MINUTE ORDER 141-2000 (AGENDA ITEM 30)**

**GRANTING OF EMERITUS TITLES,  
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 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. 99-00-06, a copy of which is attached to the official minutes as **Exhibit K**, and grants all rights and privileges of this title.

**MINUTE ORDER 142-2000 (AGENDA ITEM 31)**

**ACCEPTANCE OF REPORT ON  
SITES OF PERMITTED USE OF ALCOHOL,  
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:

Pursuant to System Policy 34.03, the following report on Sites of Permitted Use of Alcohol is hereby accepted:

Prairie View A&M University  
President's Dining Room, Alumni Hall  
West Wing Alumni Hall

Tarleton State University

Dora Lee Langdon Cultural and Educational Center, Granbury, Texas

Trogon House (Formerly Hall of Presidents)

Reception/Dining Areas and surrounding grounds

Tarleton Dining Hall

Main Dining Rooms

Sam Houston Room

Travis Room

Student Development Center

First Floor Foyer Area

Ballrooms A, B, and C

Second Floor Balcony Area

Wisdom Gymnasium

Foyer Area

Family Living Center

Administration Building

First Floor Foyer Area

Second Floor Balcony Area

Clyde Wells Fine Arts Center

Foyer Area

Choir Rooms

Texas A&M International University

Killam Library Building

Great Room 319



Texas A&M University

Chancellor's Residence

President's Residence

Vice President for Student Affairs' Residence

Board of Regents' Facilities

Faculty Club

Hirshfeld-Moore House

Presidential Conference Center

Bush Presidential Apartment

George Bush Foundation Suite

Clayton Williams Alumni Center

Jon L. Hagler Center

Facilities leased or otherwise made available for a set term to individuals or associations

(e.g. Bush Library "Rotunda," Kyle Field Regents Lounge and Leased Suites,  
Letterman's Lounge and the Zone)

University Apartments and Residence Hall Rooms where at least one occupant is 21  
years of age

Reed Arena

Mexico City Facility

Santa Chiara, Italy - Study Abroad Center

Other quasi-public facilities (e.g. N.W. Dick Freeman Arena and G. Rollie White Visitor  
Center at the Animal Science Teaching Research and Extension Complex)

Tent/Tailgate parties at NCAA intercollegiate events

Buildings at the Research Park

TAMUS State Headquarters Building

Easterwood Airport (includes McKenzie Terminal, General Aviation Terminal)

Easterwood Airport facilities leased or otherwise made available for a set term to  
individuals, corporations, or associations

Texas A&M University at Galveston

Chief Executive Officer's Residence

Dock area by Texas Clipper

PE Building - Gym Area

Offatts Campus - Main Building

Texas A&M University-Commerce

President's Home

Heritage House

Memorial Student Center

Watson Cafeteria

Texas A&M University-Corpus Christi

Blucher Institute  
Faculty Lounge - Center for Instruction  
Faculty Center Atrium  
Glasscock Student Center  
Miramar Apartment - Clubhouse  
Chapman Conference Room - Corpus Christi Hall  
Field House  
Weil Gallery  
University Center

Texas A&M University-Kingsville

President's Home  
Founders' Room  
Student Union Building  
McCulley Hall  
John E. Conner Museum  
Dormitory Rooms  
Married Student Housing  
President's Office

West Texas A&M University

Panhandle-Plains Historical Museum  
Buffalo Courts  
President's Home  
Nance Ranch

Texas Agricultural Experiment Station

A&M Farm Operations  
Research Station at Angleton  
Research and Extension Center at Dallas  
Research and Extension Center at El Paso  
La Copita Research Area (Jim Wells Co.)  
Research and Extension Center at Lubbock  
Research Station at McGregor  
Research Station at Pecos  
Research Station at Sonora  
Research Station at Chillicothe  
Research and Extension Center at Weslaco

Texas Agricultural Extension Service

Research and Engineering Center at Beaumont

Texas Engineering Extension Service

South Central Texas Regional Training Center - San Antonio

West Texas Regional Training Center - Abilene

North Texas Regional Training Center - Arlington/Mesquite

Houston Regional Training Center - Houston

Law Enforcement Training Division - Riverside Campus, Building #7751

Texas Transportation Institute

Gibb Gilchrist Building

The Texas A&M University System Health Science Center

Institute of Biosciences and Technology - Houston

**MINUTE ORDER 143-2000 (AGENDA ITEM 32)**

**APPROVAL OF 2000-2001 HOLIDAY SCHEDULE,  
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:

Holidays for the fiscal year ending August 31, 2001, for the Members of The Texas A&M University System not otherwise excepted, shall be as follows:

<u>Holiday</u>	<u>Number of Days</u>	<u>Dates</u>
Thanksgiving	2	November 23-24, 2000
Christmas-New Year's	7	December 22, 2000 - January 1, 2001
Martin Luther King, Jr. Day	1	January 15, 2001
Spring Break	2	March 15-16, 2001
Memorial Day	1	May 28, 2001
Independence Day	1	July 4, 2001

Classes and normal institution and agency operations will be scheduled for April 13, 2001. In the event Good Friday is declared a holiday by action of the Governor, eligible employees will be given compensatory time off during the 12-month period following the holiday.

The Texas Agricultural Experiment Station and the Texas Agricultural Extension Service coordinate these holidays with off-campus locations as does Texas A&M University.

Exceptions are established as set forth below:

The holiday schedule for Prairie View A&M University will be as follows:

Holiday	Number of Days	Dates
Labor Day	1	September 4, 2000
Thanksgiving	2	November 23-24, 2000
Christmas-New Year's	7	December 22, 2000-January 1, 2001
Martin Luther King, Jr. Day	1	January 15, 2001
Memorial Day	1	May 28, 2001
Emancipation Day	1	June 19, 2001
Independence Day	1	July 4, 2001

The holiday schedule for Tarleton State University will be as follows:

Holiday	Number of Days	Dates
Thanksgiving	2	November 23-24, 2000
Christmas-New Year's	7	December 22, 2000-January 1, 2001
Martin Luther King, Jr. Day	1	January 15, 2001
Spring Break	2	March 15-16, 2001
Memorial Day	1	May 28, 2001
Independence Day	1	July 4, 2001

Tarleton State University will work four, ten-hour days during the following week in order to be closed on this public holiday:

Labor Day    September 4, 2000    (Four-day week on September 5, 6, 7 and 8)

The holiday schedule for Texas A&M University, Texas A&M University at Galveston, Texas Agricultural Experiment Station, Texas Agricultural Extension Service, Texas Engineering Experiment Station, Texas Engineering Extension Service, Texas Transportation Institute will be as follows:

Holiday	Number of Days	Dates
Thanksgiving	2	November 23-24, 2000
Christmas-New Year's	8	December 21, 2000-January 1, 2001
Martin Luther King, Jr. Day	1	January 15, 2001
Spring Break	2	March 15-16, 2001
Independence Day	1	July 4, 2001

The holiday schedule for the Texas Agricultural Experiment Station, Texas Agricultural Extension Service District Extension Offices, Special Programs (satellite) Offices, Research and Extension Centers, Research Stations is shown on attached **Exhibit L**, attached to the official minutes.

The holiday schedule for Texas A&M University–Commerce will be as follows:

Holiday	Number of Days	Dates
Thanksgiving	2	November 23-24, 2000
Christmas	5	December 25-29, 2000
*New Year's	1	January 1, 2001
Martin Luther King, Jr. Day	1	January 15, 2001
Spring Break	5	March 19-23, 2001
*Memorial Day	1	May 28, 2001
Independence Day	1	July 4, 2001

\*Not counted in holiday schedule-employees work 10-hour days the remainder of the workweek.

The holiday schedule for Texas A&M University–Corpus Christi will be as follows:

Holiday	Number of Days	Dates
Labor Day	1	September 4, 2000
Thanksgiving	2 ½	November 22-24, 2000
Christmas-New Year's	6	December 25, 2000-January 1, 2001
Martin Luther King, Jr. Day	1	January 15, 2001
Spring Break	2	March 22-23, 2001
Memorial Day	1	May 28, 2001
Independence Day	1	July 4, 2001

Texas A&M University–Corpus Christi operates a ten-hour day on each Tuesday and only a six-hour day on Friday. The holidays of November 24 and December 29 each fall on a Friday of a week where employees work on Tuesday, creating a credit of four hours of holiday time. This extra four hours has been scheduled for November 22. This results in a total of 112 hours of holiday time being scheduled (14 days x 8 hours).

The holiday schedule for Texas A&M University–Kingsville will be as follows:

Holiday	Number of Days	Dates
Labor Day	1	September 4, 2000
Thanksgiving	2	November 23-24, 2000
Christmas-New Year's	6	December 25, 2000-January 1, 2001
Martin Luther King, Jr. Day	1	January 15, 2001
Spring Break	1	March 16, 2001
Good Friday	1	April 13, 2001
Memorial Day	1	May 28, 2001
Independence Day	1	July 4, 2001

The holiday schedule for Texas A&M University–Texarkana will be as follows:

Holiday	Number of Days	Dates
Thanksgiving	2	November 23-24, 2000
Christmas	5	December 25-29, 2000
New Year's Day	1	January 1, 2001
Martin Luther King, Jr. Day	1	January 15, 2001
Spring Break	5	March 19-23, 2001

Texas A&M University-Texarkana will work four ten-hour days during the following weeks in order to be closed on these public holidays:

Labor Day	September 4, 2000	(Four ten-hour days on September 5, 6, 7 and 8)
Memorial Day	May 28, 2001	(Four ten-hour days on May 29, 30, 31, June 1)
Independence Day	July 4, 2001	(Four ten-hour days on July 2, 3, 5 and 6)

The holiday schedule for West Texas A&M University will be as follows:

Holiday	Number of Days	Dates
Thanksgiving	2	November 23-24, 2000
Christmas	6	December 22-29, 2000
New Year's Day	1	January 1, 2001
Martin Luther King, Jr. Day	1	January 15, 2001
Spring Break	3	March 14-16, 2001
Independence Day	1	July 4, 2001

The holiday schedule for the Texas Veterinary Medical Diagnostic Laboratory will be as follows:

Holiday	Number of Days	Dates
Labor Day	1	September 4, 2000
Veteran's Day	1	November 10, 2000
Thanksgiving	2	November 23-24, 2000
Christmas	3	December 22-26, 2000
New Year's Day	2	December 29, 2000-January 1, 2001
Martin Luther King, Jr. Day	1	January 15, 2001
Washington's Birthday	1	February 19, 2001
Texas Independence Day	1	March 2, 2001
Memorial Day	1	May 28, 2001
Independence Day	1	July 4, 2001

The holiday schedule for the Texas Wildlife Damage Management Service will be as follows:

<u>Holiday</u>	<u>Number of Days</u>	<u>Dates</u>
Labor Day	1	September 4, 2000
Columbus Day	1	October 9, 2000
Veteran's Day	1	November 10, 2000
Thanksgiving	1	November 23, 2000
Christmas	5	December 25-29, 2000
New Year's Day	1	January 1, 2001
Martin Luther King, Jr. Day	1	January 15, 2001
President's Day	1	February 19, 2001
Memorial Day	1	May 28, 2001
Independence Day	1	July 4, 2001

The holiday schedule for The Texas A&M University System Health Science Center will be as follows:

<u>Holiday</u>	<u>Number of Days</u>	<u>Dates</u>
Labor Day	1	September 4, 2000
Thanksgiving	2	November 23-24, 2000
Christmas-New Year's	8	December 21, 2000-January 1, 2001
Martin Luther King, Jr. Day	1	January 15, 2001
Memorial Day	1	May 28, 2001
Independence Day	1	July 4, 2001

The Chancellor is hereby authorized to modify the holiday schedule when such a change is deemed to be in the public interest.

A state employee is entitled to observe Rosh Hashanah, Cesar Chavez Day, Yom Kippur and Good Friday in lieu of any holiday or holidays on which the employee's agency or institution is required to be open and staffed to conduct the public business.

**MINUTE ORDER 144-2000 (AGENDA ITEM 33)**

**AUTHORIZATION TO ADMINISTER  
GOVERNMENT CLASSIFIED CONTRACTS,  
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 individuals occupying the following positions at The Texas A&M University System have been or will be processed for a personnel security clearance for access to classified information, to the level of the facility clearance granted to TAMUS, as provided for in the National Industrial Security Program Operating Manual. In addition, all replacements for such positions will be processed for security clearance.

Don Powell, Chairman, Board of Regents  
The Texas A&M University System

Howard D. Graves, Chancellor  
The Texas A&M University System

Jerry Gaston, Deputy Chancellor  
The Texas A&M University System

Tom D. Kale, Vice Chancellor for Business Services  
The Texas A&M University System

B.J. Crain, Associate Vice Chancellor for Budgets and Accounting  
The Texas A&M University System

Diane Hassel, Facility Security Officer  
Texas A&M Research Foundation

The Board of Regents delegates to the above named group all authority pertaining to the protection of classified contracts of the Department of Defense or user agencies of its Industrial Security Program awarded to TAMUS.

Except for those named above, Members of the Board of Regents shall not have or require access to classified information disclosed to TAMUS. Board Members can be effectively excluded from access to all classified information disclosed to TAMUS and do not occupy positions that would enable them to adversely affect the policies or practices of the Member institutions, agencies, or health science center of TAMUS in the performance of classified contracts; therefore, Members of the Board of Regents need not be processed for personnel clearance.

MEMBERS OF THE BOARD OF REGENTS:

Frederick D. McClure, Vice Chairman

Robert H. Allen

Anne Armstrong

Dionel E. Aviles

Erle Nye

Lionel Sosa

R.H. (Steve) Stevens, Jr.

Susan Rudd Wynn



**MINUTE ORDER 145-2000 (AGENDA ITEM 34)**

**AUTHORIZATION FOR ANNUAL COMPENSATION  
INCREASES FOR EXECUTIVE OFFICERS AND DELEGATION OF AUTHORITY  
TO THE CHANCELLOR TO EVALUATE AND SET AMOUNT OF INCREASES,  
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 9.1 of System Policy 07.01, Ethics Policy, TAMUS Employees, the Board of Regents of The Texas A&M University System hereby authorizes annual compensation increases for the executive officers of the A&M System institutions, agencies, health science center, and administrative offices. The Chancellor is hereby delegated the authority to evaluate and determine the amount of such increases and, as necessary, further delegate this authority to the respective Chief Executive Officers.

**MINUTE ORDER 146-2000 (AGENDA ITEM 35)**

**DELEGATION OF AUTHORITY TO THE CHANCELLOR  
TO DESIGNATE A MEMBER OF THE INSTITUTION'S  
ADMINISTRATION TO HEAR NON-TENURED  
FACULTY MEMBERS' GRIEVANCES,  
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 delegates to the Chancellor, with the authority to redelegate to the Chief Executive Officers of the component institutions, the authority to designate a member of each institution's administration to hear grievances by a non-tenured faculty member related to the non-renewal of the faculty member's employment.

**MINUTE ORDER 147-2000 (AGENDA ITEM 36)**

**CONFIRMATION OF APPOINTMENT AND  
COMMISSIONING OF PEACE OFFICERS,  
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 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 M**.

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Mr. Graves presented Item 37. The Board took action as set forth below:

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**MINUTE ORDER 148-2000 (AGENDA ITEM 37)**

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

On motion of Mr. Nye, 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. Poovey, as a peace officer.

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Dr. Bowen presented Items 38 and 39. The Board took action as set forth below:

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**MINUTE ORDER 149-2000 (AGENDA ITEM 38)**

**APPOINTMENT OF MR. JOHN H. LINDSEY TO THE  
TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY AT GALVESTON BOARD OF VISITORS,  
TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY**

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

Effective September 1, 2000, Mr. John H. Lindsey, is hereby appointed to the Texas A&M University at Galveston Board of Visitors for a period of three years.

**MINUTE ORDER 150-2000 (AGENDA ITEM 39)**

**APPOINTMENT OF MR. JOHN W. LYONS, JR. TO THE  
TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY AT GALVESTON BOARD OF VISITORS,  
TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY**

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

Effective September 1, 2000, Mr. John W. Lyons, Jr. is hereby appointed to the Texas A&M University at Galveston Board of Visitors for a period of three years.

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Dr. Hiler presented Item 40. The Board took action as set forth below:

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**MINUTE ORDER 151-2000 (AGENDA ITEM 40)**

**ADOPTION OF A RESOLUTION RECOGNIZING  
THE RETIREMENT OF DR. JOHN R. BEVERLY AND  
CONFERRING THE TITLE OF  
DEPUTY VICE CHANCELLOR AND DEPUTY DIRECTOR EMERITUS,  
TEXAS AGRICULTURAL EXPERIMENT STATION**

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

Whereas, Dr. John R. Beverly attended Texas A&M University and received a bachelor of science in animal science, a master of science in physiology of reproduction and a doctor of philosophy; and

Whereas, he served as an Assistant Professor in the Department of Animal Science at McNeese State University from 1965-1968; and

Whereas, he joined the Texas Agricultural Extension Service in 1968 as an Extension Animal Reproduction Specialist in the Department of Animal Science at Texas A&M University; and

Whereas, from 1980 to 1981, he served as an Interim Research Leader and Professor at the Texas A&M University Agricultural Research Station at Beeville and was a Visiting Professor in the Department of Animal Science at Kansas State University in 1982; and

Whereas, upon returning to the Department of Animal Science at Texas A&M University in 1983, he was promoted through the ranks to serve as Extension Program Leader and Associate Department Head; and

Whereas, in November 1989, Dr. John R. Beverly was appointed Assistant Director for Agriculture and Natural Resources of the Texas Agricultural Extension Service and subsequently served as Associate Director for Agriculture and Natural Resources and Associate Dean for Extension and Continuing Education from 1990 to 1993 and as Associate Vice Chancellor and Associate Dean from 1994 to 1995; and

Whereas, Dr. John R. Beverly was appointed Deputy Vice Chancellor, Associate Dean of the College of Agriculture and Life Sciences at Texas A&M University, and Deputy Director of the Texas Agricultural Experiment Station on January 1, 1996, a position he held until his retirement on July 1, 2000; and

Whereas, Dr. John R. Beverly has served in a myriad of leadership roles on numerous societies, committees and councils within Texas A&M University, the Agriculture Program, The Texas A&M University System, the National Cattlemen's Association, the American Society of Animal Science, and the Texas Agricultural Extension Service Specialists' Association; now, therefore, be it

Resolved, that the Board of Regents gratefully acknowledges the distinguished leadership, dedicated service and outstanding performance which Dr. John R. Beverly has provided during his 32 years of service within The Texas A&M University System; and, be it, further

Resolved, that in recognition of his long and distinguished service within the Agriculture Program and the Texas Agricultural Experiment Station, the title of Deputy Vice Chancellor and Deputy Director Emeritus is conferred upon Dr. John R. Beverly and he is granted all rights and privileges of this title effective July 1, 2000; 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. John R. Beverly and a copy filed in the Archives at Texas A&M University.

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Dr. Long presented Items 41 through 44. The Board took action as set forth below:

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**MINUTE ORDER 152-2000 (AGENDA ITEM 41)**

**ADOPTION OF A RESOLUTION EXPRESSING APPRECIATION  
TO THE 1999-2000 BROADCASTING TEAM,  
WEST TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY**

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

Whereas, the 1999-2000 West Texas A&M University Broadcasting Team attended the national convention in Washington D.C.; and

Whereas, two students— Paula Bourn and Stuart Boslow— were national finalists in Audio Radio Drama for their drama, *Time Travelers*; and

Whereas, Paula Bourn was also the recipient of the Barbara and Joe Rosenwasser Scholarship; and

Whereas, another member of the team— Jennette Everett— won the title of National Champion for her special show, *Soundtracks*; and also received the International Radio and Television Society Scholarship; and

Whereas, Mark Lindemann and Jennette Everett were inducted into the National Honor Society, Alpha Epsilon Rho, and

Whereas, the work and encouragement of the team's director, Dr. Leigh Browning, resulted in the team's outstanding accomplishments in bringing national recognition to the University; and

Whereas, Dr. Browning was named Region Six Director for Texas, Oklahoma, Louisiana and New Mexico; now, therefore, be it

Resolved, that we the members of the Board of Regents of The Texas A&M University System, meeting on this 28th day of July 2000 at Commerce, Texas, express our heartfelt congratulations to all the members of the West Texas A&M University Broadcasting Team for their contributions to West Texas A&M University; 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 each member of the team and to the Archives of West Texas A&M University, as a permanent mark of this Board's appreciation and gratitude to all these individuals for a job well done.

**MINUTE ORDER 153-2000 (AGENDA ITEM 42)**

**ADOPTION OF A RESOLUTION EXPRESSING APPRECIATION  
TO THE 1999-2000 SPEECH TEAM,  
WEST TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY**

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

Whereas, the 1999-2000 West Texas A&M University Speech Team won the championship in February at the Texas Intercollegiate Forensics Association Texas State Tournament in Lubbock by accumulating 143 points, thus eliminating nineteen state teams; and

Whereas, the West Texas A&M University Speech Team advanced to the American Forensics Association National Individual Tournament on March 30-April 4 in Lincoln, Nebraska; and

Whereas, two members – Brandon Stow and Jake Simmons – swept the field and took first place in Duo Interpretation for the script, “Twin Falls, Idaho;” and

Whereas, the team ranked 24<sup>th</sup> in the nation out of 172 teams and placed in the top 25 in three duo events; and

Whereas, the work and encouragement of the team’s coach, Dr. Russell Lowery-Hart, resulted in the team’s outstanding accomplishments in showing a highly competitive spirit and in bringing national recognition to the 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 28th day of July 2000 at Commerce, Texas, express our heartfelt congratulations to all the members of the West Texas A&M University Speech Team for their contributions to West Texas A&M University; 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 each member of the team and to the Archives of West Texas A&M University, as a permanent mark of this Board’s appreciation and gratitude to all these individuals for a job well done.

**MINUTE ORDER 154-2000 (AGENDA ITEM 43)**

**ADOPTION OF A RESOLUTION EXPRESSING APPRECIATION  
TO THE 1999-2000 HORSE JUDGING TEAM,  
WEST TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY**

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

Whereas, the West Texas A&M University Horse Judging Team has excelled in skill and mastery in horse judging; and

Whereas, they won second place Overall, first place in Halter, second place in Performance, and first place in Reasons at the American Quarter Horse Association World Championship in Oklahoma City, Oklahoma; and

Whereas, they won first place Overall, first place in Placings, and fourth place in Reasons at the National Reining Horse Association Championship in Oklahoma City, Oklahoma; and

Whereas, the work and encouragement of the team's coach, Dr. John Pipkin, resulted in the team's outstanding accomplishments in bringing national recognition to the 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 28th day of July 2000 at Commerce, Texas, express our heartfelt congratulations to all the members of the West Texas A&M University Horse Judging Team for their contributions to West Texas A&M University; 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 each member of the team and to the Archives of West Texas A&M University, as a permanent mark of this Board's appreciation and gratitude to all these individuals for a job well done.

**MINUTE ORDER 155-2000 (AGENDA ITEM 44)**

**ADOPTION OF A RESOLUTION EXPRESSING APPRECIATION  
TO THE 1999-2000 MEN'S BOWLING TEAM,  
WEST TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY**

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

Whereas, the 1999-2000 West Texas A&M University Men's Bowling Team having advanced to the playoffs of the Intercollegiate Bowling Championship at Wichita, Kansas, and having earned the title of national champions; and

Whereas, a member of the team, D.J. Archer, received notable recognition by being named the tournament's most valuable player; and

Whereas, the work and encouragement of the team's coaches, Regina Loveall and Mark Scroggins -- both former WTAMU distinguished bowlers -- resulted in the team's outstanding accomplishments in bringing national recognition to the 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 28th day of July 2000 at Commerce, Texas, express our heartfelt congratulations to the West Texas A&M University Men's Bowling Team for their contributions to West Texas A&M University; 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 each member of the team and to the Archives of West Texas A&M University, 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 presented Item 45. The Board took action as set forth below:

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**MINUTE ORDER 156-2000 (AGENDA ITEM 45)**

**CORRECTION OF MINUTE ORDER 264-1999,  
MINUTES OF THE DECEMBER 2, 1999, REGULAR MEETING  
AND APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF  
MARCH 23-24, 2000, REGULAR MEETING, AND  
MAY 16-17, 2000, REGULAR MEETING,  
BOARD OF REGENTS OF THE TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY SYSTEM**

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

Minute Order 264-1999 of the Minutes of the Regular Meeting of the Board of Regents of The Texas A&M University System held in College Station, Texas, on December 2, 1999, is hereby corrected by changing "Mr. R.G. 'Bob' Wallace, Class of 1965" to "Mr. R.G. 'Bob' Wallace, Class of 1950."

The Minutes of the Regular Meeting of the Board of Regents of The Texas A&M University System held in Temple, Texas, on March 23-24, 2000, are hereby approved.

The Minutes of the Regular Meeting of the Board of Regents of The Texas A&M University System held in Kingsville, Texas, on May 16-17, 2000, are hereby approved.

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Mr. Graves presented Items 46 through 49. Mr. Graves explained that these are recommendations from PVAMU that they be authorized to award honorary bachelor of general studies degrees posthumously to the members of the track team who were killed in the automobile crash earlier this year. This is a new initiative. There is not a system policy for awarding posthumous honorary degrees. Mr. Graves said this would be a helpful initiative that would not only recognize the outstanding performance of the students who were killed in the accomplishment and mission of the university, but it also assists the parents in coming to closure by being at the graduation and also receiving this award. Mr. Graves asked that the Board approve these items.

Dr. Avilés said he would like to make a comment. He said as regents, they have a certain duty and responsibility, one of which is the awarding of degrees. He said the regents exercise that duty during graduation ceremonies when they authorize the presidents to award degrees. He said the requirements for completion of degrees is set forth by the Board of Regents and the awarding of honorary degrees is also the duty of the Board. The Board does not take this action lightly. Dr. Avilés asked Chancellor Graves to develop a policy for the awarding of such degrees for special situations like this so that there is no ambiguity in the future on how the Board awards these degrees.



Mr. Graves said he received Dr. Avilés request, understood it, and it would be done.

The Board took action as set forth below:

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**MINUTE ORDER 157-2000 (AGENDA ITEM 46)**

**AUTHORIZATION TO AWARD  
POSTHUMOUS HONORARY DEGREE TO  
VERNON MAURICE JAMES, II,  
PRAIRIE VIEW A&M UNIVERSITY**

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

Pursuant to the Prairie View A&M University policy for awarding an honorary degree, the awarding of the honorary Bachelor of General Studies (B.G.S.) degree posthumously to Vernon Maurice James, II, is hereby approved.

**MINUTE ORDER 158-2000 (AGENDA ITEM 47)**

**AUTHORIZATION TO AWARD  
POSTHUMOUS HONORARY DEGREE TO  
JEROME DESHAUN JACKSON,  
PRAIRIE VIEW A&M UNIVERSITY**

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

Pursuant to the Prairie View A&M University policy for awarding an honorary degree, the awarding of the honorary Bachelor of General Studies (B.G.S.) degree posthumously to Jerome DeShaun Jackson is hereby approved.

**MINUTE ORDER 159-2000 (AGENDA ITEM 48)**

**AUTHORIZATION TO AWARD  
POSTHUMOUS HONORARY DEGREE TO  
HOUSTON DEWAYNE WATSON,  
PRAIRIE VIEW A&M UNIVERSITY**

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

Pursuant to the Prairie View A&M University policy for awarding an honorary degree, the awarding of the honorary Bachelor of General Studies (B.G.S.) degree posthumously to Houston Dewayne Watson is hereby approved.

**MINUTE ORDER 160-2000 (AGENDA ITEM 49)**

**AUTHORIZATION TO AWARD  
POSTHUMOUS HONORARY DEGREE TO  
SAMUEL JASON STURNS,  
PRAIRIE VIEW A&M UNIVERSITY**

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

Pursuant to the Prairie View A&M University policy for awarding an honorary degree, the awarding of the honorary Bachelor of General Studies (B.G.S.) degree posthumously to Samuel Jason Sturns is hereby approved.

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Mr. Powell thanked Dr. McFarland for his hospitality.

Mr. Nye made a suggestion about changing the timing of the closed sessions. Mr. Powell thanked Mr. Nye and said he would consider a way to schedule the closed sessions differently.

Dr. Bowen recognized Mr. Chuck Sippial who was attending his first meeting as Vice President for Administration, TAMU.

Mr. Graves recognized the leaders of the Student Government of TAMU who were present.

Mr. Powell announced that the next meeting would be held on September 21-22, 2000, in Stephenville, Texas.

***ADJOURNMENT***

There being no further business, Mr. Powell adjourned the meeting at 12:20 p.m., Friday, July 28, 2000.

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

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