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**MINUTES OF THE
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CONVENE BOARD MEETING – MARCH 21

A regular meeting of the Board of Regents of The Texas A&M University System was convened by Mr. Erle Nye, Chairman of the Board of Regents, at 8:45 a.m., on Thursday, March 21, 2002, 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. Erle Nye, Chairman
Dr. Dionel E. Avilés, Vice Chairman
Mr. Phil Adams
Ms. Anne Armstrong
Dr. Wendy Gramm
Mr. L. Lowry Mays
Mr. Lionel Sosa
Mr. R.H. (Steve) Stevens, Jr.
Dr. Susan Rudd Wynn

INVOCATION

Mr. Nye called on Mr. Ryan Nixon, a senior at Texas A&M University (TAMU), majoring in Civil Engineering, 1st Brigade Chaplain, to present the invocation.

CHANCELLOR'S REMARKS

Mr. Nye called on Dr. Jerry Gaston, Deputy Chancellor, for remarks. Dr. Gaston reported that Mr. Howard D. Graves, Chancellor, would join the meeting shortly. He thanked Dr. Dennis P. McCabe, President of Tarleton State University (TSU), for hosting the Chancellor's Century Council meeting. He said it was an excellent two-day meeting. Dr. Gaston said the Chancellor's Student Advisory Board (CSAB) made its bi-annual trip to Washington D.C. on March 10-13, 2002. He reported that Mr. Graves has asked all of the chief executive officers (CEOs) to review their respective centers and at a future meeting they will bring a report to the Board. Dr. Gaston commented that Dr. Kern Bennett, Director of the Texas Engineering Extension Service (TEEX), was not present because he was having surgery.

Dr. Gaston recognized the chief executive assistants who were present. He said they were a fine group of people and thanked them for their fine work. The following were present: Carol Ames, TAMUS Health Science Center; Juanita Turner, Prairie View A&M University; Cynthia Carter and Jeanne McEndree, Tarleton State University; Juanita Soliz, Texas A&M International University; Sandy Crawford, Texas A&M University; Linda King, Texas A&M University-Commerce; Alicia Jasso, Texas A&M University-Corpus Christi; Darrell Lynn Pray, Texas A&M University-Kingsville; Peggy Roach, Texas A&M University-Texarkana; Donna Woodard, West Texas A&M University; Tammy Landry and Mary Pletzer, Texas Agricultural Experiment Station; Maryland Mitchell, Texas Cooperative Extension; Nicole Pottberg, Texas Engineering Experiment Station; Karen Barfield, Texas Engineering Extension Service; Cathy Davis, Texas Forest Service; Becca Simons, Texas Transportation Institute; and Jennifer Flusche, Texas Veterinary Medical Diagnostic Laboratory. He then introduced the hosts: Nancy Moore, Office of General Counsel; Jalna Gayle, Office of Vice Chancellor for Governmental Relations; Karen Vance, Office of the Vice Chancellor for Administration; Fran Lamb, Office of the Deputy Chancellor; Lorice Diamond, Office of the Vice Chancellor for Business Services; Shauna King, Office of the Vice Chancellor for Academic and Student Affairs; Kathryn Mazurkiewicz; Office of the Chancellor's Chief of Staff; Karen Natowitz, Office of System Internal Audit; and, Janet Smalley, Office of the Chancellor. Mr. Nye welcomed the assistants.

RECESS

Mr. Nye recessed the meeting at 8:54 a.m.

(Secretary's Note: The Committee on Finance was convened at 8:55 a.m. and recessed at 9:31 a.m.)

RECONVENE

Mr. Nye reconvened the meeting at 9:32 a.m. He said as required by Section 54.0513, Paragraph (f) of the Texas Education Code, he would call for a public hearing to receive input from students, presidents and others regarding proposed increases in designated tuition. Mr. Nye said the Board was extending the hearing privilege to all proposed fees, not just designated tuition. He then called on the universities as follows:

Tarleton State University

Mr. Nye called on Dr. McCabe who reported that TSU's designated tuition fee would increase from \$30.00 to \$36.00 per semester credit hour (SCH). He said this is an increase of \$1,169,000.00 to be used for faculty and staff salaries, benefits, departmental operating expenses in the academic arena and scholarships. Dr. McCabe said hearings on the matter were held in Stephenville and Killeen. He said the meeting in Stephenville was well attended by 60 to 70 students. Dr. McCabe said this meeting was held in conjunction with the student government association and all students were invited to attend. Dr. McCabe said most of the discussion centered on the student identification

card fee. He said the current fee for the card is \$5.00 and the proposed fee is \$10.00. Dr. McCabe added that there were fewer attendees at the meeting in Killeen.

Mr. Nye asked if any students were present from TSU who wanted to speak. There were none. Mr. Nye asked if there were any persons present in the room who wanted to speak regarding TSU's fees. There were none.

Texas A&M University

Mr. Nye called on Dr. Ray Bowen, President of TAMU, to report on TAMU's proposed increases in incidental and designated fees. Dr. Bowen said TAMU was proposing a \$2.00 increase in designated tuition. He said TAMU did have the public hearing as required by the statute. Dr. Bowen said the hearing was moderately attended. He said he had previously talked with the Board about the components of the enhancement fee and those numbers were reflected in the computer access, library use, bursar services and advising services fees. He then explained the new software license fee. Dr. Bowen said they had two hearings. Approximately 40 individuals attended the hearing on the increase in designated tuition. He said there was lively discussion at this hearing, but no substantial objections. Dr. Bowen said the turnout at the hearing on enhancement fees was moderate because this fee only applies to new students and maybe 30 to 40 people attended.

Dr. Michael Kemp, Vice President and CEO of Texas A&M University at Galveston (TAMUG), said their requests were slightly different. He said they were asking for a \$4.00 increase in designated tuition and a slight increase in the student services fee. Dr. Kemp said TAMUG was asking for a new fee, the academic enhancement user fee, for the academic enhancement program. He said they were asking for an increase in their late registration fees to encourage students to register on time. He mentioned the library access fee, physical education fee, testing administration fee and the parking fee. Dr. Kemp said they had worked very closely with student leadership on each of these and had complete support from the student senate. He said a hearing was held and only three students attended. Dr. Kemp said the students did not have any specific complaints; they just didn't like spending more money.

Mr. Nye asked if there were students who wanted to address the Board regarding fees proposed by TAMU or TAMUG.

Mr. Matt Maddox, a sophomore business administration major and full-time student at TAMU, said the students present were representing those students who were not yet members of the Texas Aggie family. He said he disagreed with the sentiment that only a small group of students would be affected by the fee increase. He said every student would be affected by the fee increase. Mr. Maddox said he did not agree that financial aid would only be needed for a few. He said that redistributing income so that a few may profit is not something that is usually associated with American democracy and capitalism. He said every student has a stake in this, not just a few students.

Mr. Brady Creel, a junior journalism and management major at TAMU, contested the premise of the fee increase. He said he abhorred the idea of a \$340.00 tuition and fee increase per semester. He said TAMU was meant to be the people's school and it was not designed to be the "everything" for all people. He said he would like to clarify that this is not the "University of Texas-College Station." He said Aggies have tenets that they believe in that would suggest that this fee increase is unnecessary. Mr. Creel read a quote from a memo he reported was written by Dr. Bowen regarding the proposed top 20 percent plan and its funding implications. Mr. Creel suggested that the university, the administration and the Board of Regents stop proposing programs that cannot be paid in the middle of a budget crisis. He said there are students and Aggies everywhere who are opposed to this plan to increase university's fees at a school that was designed to be affordable for all Texans. Mr. Creel said he spoke on behalf of the Young Conservatives of Texas, a group who has adamantly opposed this increase and will continue to do so. He said the group feels that it is unnecessary and the university needs to examine its spending and reduce spending and expenses. He urged the Board to make the right decision on behalf of all Texans and all students who want to come to A&M and join the Aggie family.

Ms. April Summers, a student at TAMU, said that she was in favor of this fee. She said that it was very important to realize that the university and administration has made every attempt to reach out to students to gain student feedback. Ms. Summers said the student body president, Schuyler Houser, who was not present, and the rest of her executive council, submitted a document to the administration that was very well received. The document stated that concerns were voiced about the fee increase but they did understand that the increase was very necessary. Ms. Summers said this increase would not only impact future students but also current students because it will increase the value of their degrees. She said they realize that if the fee increase does not pass, departments and faculty could be cut. She said they realize that only by enhancing the future of the departments can they enhance the value of their degrees.

Mr. Jack Foley, a senior political science major, said the current students at TAMU were not opposing this fee increase because they were not affected. He said the students that it does affect don't even know about the fee increase. He said everyone who has been accepted for the fall 2002 semester really don't know that they are going to pay \$3,600 more for their diplomas for a four-year period. He said he didn't think this was just to new students, to spring this increase on them their first day. He also mentioned that Senator Steve Ogden stated in the *Bryan/College Station Eagle* that he didn't know if it was legal to charge some students a fee and not others. Mr. Foley said he thought more information was needed before this fee increase was approved.

Mr. Nye asked if there was anyone else who wished to speak on TAMU or TAMUG fees. There were none.

Texas A&M University-Commerce

Dr. Keith McFarland, President of Texas A&M University-Commerce (TAMU-C), said they were proposing to increase designated tuition from \$30.00 to \$38.00, still \$6.00

below the cap. He said they were proposing a slight increase in identification cards and library access fees. He said larger increases were proposed for student services fees (\$40.00). He added that student government had passed a referendum authorizing a \$100.00 student services fee. Dr. McFarland said he had decided on \$40.00. He added that these fees were for all students.

Mr. Nye asked if there were any students or any persons who wanted to speak on TAMU-C fees. There were none.

Texas A&M University-Corpus Christi

Dr. Robert Furgason, President of Texas A&M University-Corpus Christi (TAMU-CC), explained that their main challenge was to find ways to fund growth. He said changes in the formulas made in the last legislative session have made their work a lot more difficult. He said in essence, they have a loss of \$860,000, equivalent to \$4.50 per credit hour of tuition. Dr. Furgason said there was an increase of 600 students enrolled last year and they anticipate the same number for next year, which will increase their total enrollment to 8,000. He said they have to find a way to make sure that they have instructional capabilities for those new students. Dr. Furgason said that is what their designated tuition is directed toward. He pointed out that their general property deposit went to \$0.00.

Dr. Furgason then discussed the proposed student center complex fee. He said they were under the impression that it could be a new fee--just for new students. He said legal counsel has since advised them that the fee has to be assessed to all students. Dr. Furgason said they would have to have a new referendum on this fee. Therefore, it was uncertain whether the student body would approve it. He said if the student body does not approve it, then it would go away. Mr. Nye called on Mr. Delmar Cain, General Counsel. Mr. Cain said he was comfortable with this because this particular fee does not require a public hearing. It does require a referendum and based upon that referendum passing he thought it was permissible for the Board to pass the fee contingent upon it passing at the campus. Dr. Furgason said it was the increase that required the referendum, not the entire fee.

Dr. Avilés questioned the computer user fee. Dr. Furgason clarified that it was a \$2.00 increase.

Mr. Nye asked if there were any students or persons who wanted to speak on TAMU-CC fees. There were none.

Texas A&M University-Kingsville

Dr. Kay Clayton, Interim President for Texas A&M University-Kingsville (TAMU-K), reported that they were proposing an increase in designated tuition from \$30.00 to \$34.00. She said this increase would generate approximately \$600,000, to be used to fund merit-based scholarships, additional marketing efforts, and faculty and staff salary increases. She said a hearing was held on January 15, 2002, with

approximately 60 to 70 attendees. She added that the international application fee would also increase substantially.

Mr. Nye asked if there were any students or any persons who wanted to speak on TAMU-K fees. There were none.

Texas A&M University-Texarkana

Dr. Stephen Hensley, President of Texas A&M University-Texarkana (TAMU-T), said they were requesting a \$2.00 increase in designated tuition. He said a hearing was held at noon on December 12, 2001, and two students attended. Dr. Hensley said their students were positive and supportive of the increase.

Mr. Nye asked if there were any students or any persons who wanted to speak on TAMU-T fees. There were none.

Texas A&M International University

Dr. Ray Keck, President of Texas A&M International University (TAMIU), proposed an \$8.00 increase in their designated tuition from \$22.00 to \$30.00. He said the funds generated from the increase would be used to support two new initiatives on campus. The first would be the implementation of a full food service function in the student center. The second would be start-up funds for the athletic program, which has been discussed for many years. He said they are engaged in a national search for an athletic director. Dr. Keck said he hopes that over a period of five years they would transition toward a balance between monies generated from this source and from student service fees. He said it would take three years to phase in the entire program.

Mr. Nye asked if there were any students or any persons who wanted to speak on TAMIU fees. There were none.

West Texas A&M University

Dr. Russell Long, President of West Texas A&M University (WTAMU), reported that a hearing was held on February 28, 2002, regarding a \$1.00 increase in designated tuition fee, which would increase from \$27.00 to \$28.50. He said ten students were in attendance and there were no comments or questions. Dr. Long mentioned a \$1.00 semester fee to create an internship fund to allow students to do internships in congressional offices in Washington, D.C. He said a student referendum was held and the students passed the fee.

Mr. Nye asked if there were any students or any persons who wanted to speak on WTAMU fees. There were none.

The Texas A&M University System Health Science Center

Dr. Nancy Dickey, President of The Texas A&M University System Health Science Center (TAMUSHSC), said they were asking for a \$2.00 increase in their designated tuition, from \$42.00 to \$44.00. She said the funds would primarily be used to support facilities and to update equipment for distance education and communication between campuses. She said hearings were held in Dallas at the Baylor College of Dentistry and in College Station and small groups of students attended. She said there were no questions regarding the increase in designated tuition. Dr. Wynn asked about the opportunities provided by the increase in the distance education fee and the fact that this is a new fee for the College of Medicine. Dr. Dickey said this fee would be charged where a course has been developed for students as an elective, not where they routinely exchange faculty back and forth between Temple and College Station. Dr. Wynn asked about the transportation fee, which enables students to take advantage of the bus service on campus. Dr. Dickey said previously students have objected to paying that fee. However, she said, as students have access to facilities on the TAMU campus, it has been decided that they would pay the same transportation fee as other students. Dr. Wynn said professional liability insurance has increased dramatically. She asked how this has affected the College of Medicine. Dr. Dickey said students are covered by a self-insurance trust, which has not had a payout in 25 years. She said they have not increased the amount currently paid for liability, but should they change the reserve requirements, it is possible that they would have to look at that again.

Mr. Nye asked if there were any students or any persons who wanted to speak on TAMUSHSC fees. There were none.

Prairie View A&M University

Mr. Nye commended Dr. Charles Hines, President of Prairie View A&M University (PVAMU), for not seeking an increase in fees and expressed his appreciation. Dr. Hines reported that he did not request any increases simply because the students could not afford them.

Mr. Nye asked if there were any students or any persons who wanted to speak on PVAMU fees. There were none.

Mr. Nye commended everyone who was involved with this matter. He said the Board would vote later in the day on the proposed fees with the understanding that certain fees at TAMU-CC were contingent on a student referendum.

RECESS

Mr. Nye recessed the meeting at 10:16 a.m.

(Secretary's Note: The Committee on Academic and Student Affairs was convened at 10:45 a.m. and recessed at 11:35 a.m.)

RECONVENE AND SPECIAL PRESENTATIONS

Mr. Nye reconvened the meeting at 11:36 a.m.

Mr. Nye presented a framed resolution to Dr. Janis Stout in honor of her dedicated service to TAMU. Dr. Stout thanked the Board.

(Secretary's Note: This resolution was adopted by the Board at the January 24-25, 2002, Board meeting.)

Mr. Nye asked the Board to consider a resolution honoring a group of students for their heroics in the rescue of auto accident victims. Dr. Kemp described in detail the events of February 23, 2002. Mr. Nye presented a framed resolution to those present who were involved in the rescue.

Mr. Jeffrey Daigle, one of the student rescuers, thanked the Board for the invitation to join them and expressed the group's appreciation for the resolution. Mr. Daigle introduced the remainder of the students present: John Gross, Jake Scott and Joe Richardson, who led the onshore support team in CPR; Danna Svejkosky, Chris Noll, Brence Bedwell, Julie Svaton, Robin Reger and Gerald Coleman. The students wanted the public to know that TAMU, TAMUG and the University of Texas were all involved in this rescue and worked together. Mr. Stevens suggested that each student receive a copy of the resolution.

RECESS

Mr. Nye recessed the meeting at 11:45 a.m. He said the Board would reconvene at 1:30 p.m., in the Board Meeting Room, to discuss closed session matters.

CONVENE IN CLOSED SESSION

At 1:37 p.m., Mr. Nye announced that the Board would convene in closed session to consider matters as permitted by 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 Item 8; 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 including discussion of any and all things leading to the selection of the President of Texas A&M University and the President of Texas A&M University-Kingsville.

Mr. Nye 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 BOARD MEETING – MARCH 22

Mr. Nye reconvened the meeting at 9:55 a.m. The following members of the Board were present:

Mr. Erle Nye, Chairman
Dr. Dionel E. Avilés, Vice Chairman
Mr. Phil Adams
Dr. Wendy Gramm
Mr. L. Lowry Mays
Mr. Lionel Sosa
Mr. R.H. (Steve) Stevens, Jr.
Dr. Susan Rudd Wynn

The following member of the Board was not present:

Ms. Anne Armstrong

Mr. Nye announced that the Board had met in closed session on Thursday, March 21, 2002, from 1:37 p.m until 5:33 p.m. and on Friday, March 22, 2002, from 8:36 a.m. until 9:45 a.m.

The Board took action on Item 39 as set forth below:

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**MINUTE ORDER 26-2002 (AGENDA ITEM 39)**

**ADOPTION OF A RESOLUTION TO HONOR STUDENTS  
FOR THEIR BRAVERY IN THE RESCUE OF AUTO ACCIDENT VICTIMS,  
TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY**

On motion of Dr. Gramm, seconded by Mr. Mays and by a unanimous vote, the following resolution was approved:

Whereas, a passenger van carrying six people plunged into Offatts Bayou, Galveston, on February 23, 2002, where students of the sailing teams representing Texas A&M University at Galveston, Texas A&M University, and The University of Texas were lining up for a race; and

Whereas, these students rushed to the scene and learned from the driver of the van, who had surfaced, that passengers remained trapped in the vehicle, submerged in less than 60-degree water at a depth of approximately 10 feet; and

Whereas, all the students, together with two former students of Texas A&M University at Galveston and the sailing coach from Texas A&M University at Galveston, spontaneously formed a rescue squad--some members diving to the van, others bringing rocks from shore to break the windows of the locked van, and others assembling on shore; and

Whereas, the students, at personal peril, broke windows to free the two women and three children--all of whom were unconscious--from their seat restraints and brought them to the surface where they were relayed to shore for first aid and resuscitation; and

Whereas, several of the students suffered lacerations during the rescue and one was in the van an estimated two minutes before successfully freeing the car seat holding a seven-month old girl and bringing her to the surface; and

Whereas, these students earned compliments from fire and rescue professionals who praised their bravery and spontaneous teamwork, stressing that none of the five victims would have otherwise survived; and

Whereas, these young people have, by their actions, brought distinction not only to themselves but also to the universities they attend and have won nominations for commendation from the United States Coast Guard as well as other public safety organizations, plus laudatory resolutions in the Texas Legislature and the United States Congress; now, therefore, be it

Resolved, that the Board of Regents of The Texas A&M University System wishes to publicly honor these students and their colleagues for outstanding courage and character and to express its profound admiration and respect for their deeds; and, be it, further

Resolved, that this resolution be spread upon the minutes, together with the names of the honorees listed below, and that official copies thereof be signed by the Chairman of the Board of Regents and presented to the Chief Executive Officers of the respective institutions for appropriate display.

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RECESS

Mr. Nye recessed the Board meeting at 9:55 a.m.

(Secretary's Note: The meeting of the Committee on Finance was reconvened at 9:56 a.m. and adjourned at 9:57 a.m. The meeting of the Committee on Academic and Student Affairs was reconvened at 9:58 a.m. and adjourned at 10:18 a.m. The meeting of the Special Committee on Educational Access was convened at 10:19 a.m. and adjourned at 11:00 a.m. The meeting of the Committee on Buildings and Physical Plant was convened at 11:01 a.m. and adjourned at 11:44 a.m.)

RECONVENE

Mr. Nye reconvened the meeting at 11:45 a.m. and called on Mr. Adams to present the report from the Committee on Audit.

REPORT FROM THE COMMITTEE ON AUDIT

Mr. Adams, Chairman of the Committee on Audit, said the Committee met on Wednesday, March 20, 2002. He said Dr. Wynn was unable to attend the meeting in College Station but was able to listen to the meeting via telephone. Mr. Adams said the primary purpose of the meeting was to receive a briefing from Ms. Cathy Smock, Chief Auditor, on the second quarter audit report which included a follow-up on the management review of the Texas Forest Service (TFS); the College of Geosciences at TAMU; a review of bonds for The Texas A&M University System (TAMUS); a review of student financial aid, mainframe security software and a follow-up review of Easterwood Airport business operations at TAMU. Mr. Adams said there was a second follow-up of the review of bookstore operations at TAMU-CC. Also, there was a review of the TAMU-K Palo Alto System Center. Mr. Adams said the Committee received an update on the management audit compliance tracking report from Mr. Larry Bicket, Director for Policy Implementation and Compliance. Mr. Adams reported that the Committee was satisfied with the resources that Ms. Smock has in regards to the increasing responsibilities of auditors. He said at the last meeting of the Committee, Ms. Smock presented them with a list of questions she thought the committee members should ask to make sure they are not missing anything.

Mr. Nye called on Mr. Stevens to present the report of the Committee on Finance.

REPORT FROM THE COMMITTEE ON FINANCE

Mr. Stevens said the Committee met on Thursday, March 21, and Friday, March 22. He said the Committee acted on Items 1 through 7. The Board took action as set forth below:

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**MINUTE ORDER 27-2002 (AGENDA ITEM 01)**

**APPROPRIATION OF REVENUE FINANCING SYSTEM DEBT PROCEEDS  
FOR REHAB HUNEWELL COMPLEX FOR FIRE SAFETY,  
TARLETON STATE UNIVERSITY**

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

Revenue Financing System debt proceeds in the amount of \$1,350,000 is appropriated for Rehab Hunewell Complex for fire safety at Tarleton State 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 Obligation.

**MINUTE ORDER 28-2002 (AGENDA ITEM 02)**

**ESTABLISHMENT OF A QUASI-ENDOWMENT ENTITLED  
"1999 BONFIRE STUDENT LONG-TERM HEALTH COVERAGE  
TRUST FUND QUASI-ENDOWMENT,"  
TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY**

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

Authority is hereby granted to the President of Texas A&M University to establish a quasi-endowment account to be called the "1999 Bonfire Student Long-Term Health Coverage Trust Fund Quasi-Endowment" to provide financial support to the students injured in the collapse of Bonfire on November 18, 1999.

**MINUTE ORDER 29-2002 (AGENDA ITEM 03)**

**APPROVAL OF STILES FARM FOUNDATION 2002 BUDGET,  
STILES FARM FOUNDATION**

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

The operating budget for the Stiles Farm Foundation for calendar year 2002, a copy of which is attached to the official minutes as **Exhibit A**, is hereby approved.

**MINUTE ORDER 30-2002 (AGENDA ITEM 04)**

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

On motion of Mr. Sosa, seconded by Mr. Mays 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 (Approval of Student Fees), public hearings were held at each campus recommending increases in designated tuition. The Board has also held a public hearing to receive input from students as well as the presidents of the academic institutions and the health science center concerning such proposed increases, according to the requirements of Section 54.0513(f), Texas Education Code.

All hearings, recommendations, and referendums 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, and decreased 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 2002 semester, unless otherwise noted.

*(Secretary's Note: This minute order was adopted subject to a student referendum being passed on the increase of the student center complex fee at TAMU-CC.)*

**MINUTE ORDER 31-2002 (AGENDA ITEM 05)**

**CONFIRMATION OF NEW AND AMENDED FIELD TRIP FEES  
FOR THE ACADEMIC INSTITUTIONS AND THE HEALTH SCIENCE CENTER,  
THE TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY SYSTEM**

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

In accordance with System Policy 26.02 (Approval of Student Fees), new and amended field trip fees for the academic institutions and the health science center of The Texas A&M University System, are hereby confirmed, as shown on **Exhibit D**, attached to the official minutes.

**MINUTE ORDER 32-2002 (AGENDA ITEM 06)**

**ADMINISTRATION OF GOVERNMENT CLASSIFIED CONTRACTS,  
THE TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY SYSTEM**

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

The following Members of the Board of Regents of The Texas A&M University System (TAMUS) 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, these Members of the Board of Regents need not be processed for personnel clearance.

Phil Adams  
Wendy Gramm  
L. Lowry Mays

**MINUTE ORDER 33-2002 (AGENDA ITEM 07)**

**ACCEPTANCE OF GIFTS, DONATIONS, GRANTS AND ENDOWMENTS,  
THE TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY SYSTEM**

On motion of Mr. Sosa, seconded by Mr. Mays 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. 01-02-04, attached to the official minutes as **Exhibit E**.

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Mr. Nye called on Dr. Avilés to present the report from the Committee on Buildings and Physical Plant.

REPORT FROM THE COMMITTEE ON BUILDINGS AND PHYSICAL PLANT

Dr. Avilés, Chairman of the Committee on Buildings and Physical Plant, said the Committee met earlier the same day and Item 8, pertaining to real estate; Items 9, 10 and 13, pertaining to construction; and Item 14, pertaining to naming of facilities, were approved. He reported that Items 11 and 12 were withdrawn.

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

- The architectural firm of Ford Powell & Carson, Architects and Planners, Inc., of San Antonio, Texas, for the Langford Architecture Center Expansion at Texas A&M University
- The engineering firm of Stanley Consultants, Inc. of Austin, Texas, for the Central Utility Plant Expansion at Texas A&M University-Corpus Christi

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

- 1) Award of construction contract for the Wehner Building Expansion at Texas A&M University to Bartlett Cocke, L.P. of San Antonio, Texas, in the amount of \$10,303,580.00
- 2) Award of construction contract for the Thermal Utilities/Storm Sewer project at Texas A&M University to Garrett Mechanical, Inc. of Bryan, Texas, in the amount of \$2,222,499.00
- 3) Approval of the preliminary design for Easterwood Airport Master Plan Update at Texas A&M University with a budget in the amount of \$250,000.00
- 4) Approval of the preliminary design for the Harte Performing Arts Center at Texas A&M University-Corpus Christi with a budget in the amount of \$18,000,000.00

(Secretary's Note: Mr. Mays left the meeting at 11:50 a.m.)

The Board took action as set forth below:

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**MINUTE ORDER 34-2002 (AGENDA ITEM 08)**

**AUTHORIZATION TO ENTER INTO A TEN -YEAR LEASE,  
WITH OPTION TO PURCHASE, FOR AN 11.1 ACRE TRACT OF LAND,  
MORE OR LESS, IN GALVESTON COUNTY, TEXAS,  
THE TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY SYSTEM**

On motion of Mr. Stevens, seconded by Dr. Gramm and by a unanimous vote, the following minute order was approved:

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 enter into a lease agreement with C-Port Galveston, L.P., for approximately 5.5 acres, with improvements, adjacent to the main campus of Texas A&M University at Galveston. The lease will be for an initial term of ten (10) years, with the ability to extend for two (2) additional five-year periods. The lease also includes the ability to lease the entire 11.1-acre tract, exercisable in 2004, and includes an option to purchase the entire 11.1 acre tract, subject to approval of the Board of Regents and the Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board. Consideration will initially be \$0.48 per square foot per month, before escalation, for each gross square foot of building area to be leased.

**MINUTE ORDER 35-2002 (AGENDA ITEM 09)**

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

On motion of Mr. Stevens, seconded by Dr. Gramm and by a unanimous vote, the following minute order was approved:

The program of requirements for the Langford Architecture Center Expansion at Texas A&M University is approved.

Supplementing a previous appropriation of \$15,000.00, the amount of \$325,000.00 is appropriated from Account No. 085008 Designated Tuition for design of the Langford Architecture Center Expansion at Texas A&M University.

The firm of Ford Powell & Carson, Architects and Planners, Inc., of San Antonio, Texas, is selected as the firm ranked first to head the architect/engineer design team for the Langford Architecture Center Expansion at Texas A&M University.

Authorization is granted to begin negotiations with this firm. If negotiations are unsuccessful with this firm, authorization is granted to terminate those negotiations and begin negotiations with the firm next in order of ranking as listed on the Recommendation of Ranked Order, attached to the official minutes as **Exhibit F**, until an agreement for a design contract is reached.

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 36-2002 (AGENDA ITEM 10)**

**APPROVAL OF THE PROGRAM OF REQUIREMENTS,  
APPROPRIATION FOR DESIGN AND SELECTION OF THE  
ARCHITECT/ENGINEER DESIGN TEAM FOR THE  
CENTRAL UTILITY PLANT EXPANSION,  
TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY-CORPUS CHRISTI**

On motion of Mr. Stevens, seconded by Dr. Gramm and by a unanimous vote, the following minute order was approved:

The program of requirements for the Central Utility Plant Expansion at Texas A&M University-Corpus Christi is approved.

Supplementing a previous appropriation of \$15,000.00, the amount of \$135,000.00 is appropriated from Account No. 029998 Interest Income Reserve and \$88,000.00 from Account No. 069950 Unallocated Restricted Interest for design of the Central Utility Plant Expansion at Texas A&M University-Corpus Christi.

The firm of Stanley Consultants, Inc. of Austin, Texas, is selected as the firm ranked first to head the architect/engineer design team for the Central Utility Plant Expansion at Texas A&M University-Corpus Christi.

Authorization is granted to begin negotiations with this firm. If negotiations are unsuccessful with this firm, authorization is granted to terminate those negotiations and begin negotiations with the firm next in order of ranking as listed on the Recommendation of Ranked Order, attached to the official minutes as **Exhibit G**, until an agreement for a design contract is reached.

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 37-2002 (AGENDA ITEM 13)**

**APPROVAL OF CONSTRUCTION CONTRACT AWARD  
FOR THE FOOTBALL COMPLEX AND ACADEMIC CENTER,  
TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY**

On motion of Mr. Stevens, seconded by Dr. Gramm and by a unanimous vote, the following minute order was approved:

The revised project funding plan for the Football Complex and Academic Center at Texas A&M University and authorization for the President, Texas A&M University, or designee, to execute the Athletic Complex Funding Agreement between Texas A&M University and The Texas A&M University 12th Man Foundation is approved.

Based on bids received December 12, 2001, the contract is awarded to SpawGlass Construction Corporation of Houston, Texas, for their base bid, alternates 1 through 3 and 5 through 8 and owner-contractor value engineering scope/price negotiations in the amount of \$17,538,497.00 for the Football Complex and Academic Center at Texas A&M University.

Supplementing previous appropriations of \$2,210,000.00, the amount of \$21,073,000.00 is appropriated from Account Number 083536 Revenue Financing System (Stadium Revenue Fund) and \$92,000.00 is appropriated from Account Number 083536 Revenue Financing System (Utility Revenue Fund) for the Football Complex and Academic Center at Texas A&M University.

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

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 38-2002 (AGENDA ITEM 14)**

**NAMING OF BILLY F. COWART HALL,  
TEXAS A&M INTERNATIONAL UNIVERSITY**

On motion of Mr. Stevens, seconded by Dr. Gramm and by a unanimous vote, the following minute order was approved:

Building C, on the campus of Texas A&M International University, is hereby named the “Billy F. Cowart Hall.”

**MINUTE ORDER 39-2002 (AGENDA ITEM 14)**

**NAMING OF THE  
MARGARET M. ALKEK CENTER  
FOR ENVIRONMENTAL AND GENETIC MEDICINE,  
THE TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY SYSTEM HEALTH SCIENCE CENTER**

On motion of Mr. Stevens, seconded by Dr. Gramm and by a unanimous vote, the following minute order was approved:

The fourth floor buildout of The Texas A&M University System Health Science Center’s Albert B. Alkek Institute of Biosciences and Technology building in Houston, Texas, is hereby named the “Margaret M. Alkek Center for Environmental and Genetic Medicine.”



**MINUTE ORDER 40-2002 (AGENDA ITEM 14)**

**NAMING OF THE  
ROBERT H. AND JUDY LEY ALLEN BUILDING,  
TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY**

On motion of Mr. Stevens, seconded by Dr. Gramm and by a unanimous vote, the following minute order was approved:

The Academic Building West at the George Bush Presidential Library Center on the campus of Texas A&M University is hereby named the “Robert H. and Judy Ley Allen Building.”

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Mr. Nye then called on Dr. Wynn to present the report of the Committee on Academic and Student Affairs.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON ACADEMIC AND STUDENT AFFAIRS

Dr. Wynn, a member of the Committee on Academic and Student Affairs, reported that the Committee had met Thursday, March 21, and Friday, March 22, and approved Items 15 through 26 to be submitted to the Board for approval. The Board took action as set forth below:

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**MINUTE ORDER 41-2002 (AGENDA ITEM 15)**

**AUTHORIZATION FOR A NEW DEGREE PROGRAM LEADING  
TO A DOCTOR OF PHILOSOPHY WITH A MAJOR IN  
ELECTRICAL ENGINEERING AND AUTHORIZATION TO SUBMIT  
TO THE TEXAS HIGHER EDUCATION COORDINATING BOARD  
FOR APPROVAL,  
PRAIRIE VIEW A&M UNIVERSITY**

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

The Board of Regents of The Texas A&M University System approves the establishment of a new degree program at Prairie View A&M University leading to a Doctor of Philosophy Degree with a major in Electrical Engineering, as summarized in **Exhibit H**, a copy of which is attached to the official minutes.

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

**MINUTE ORDER 42-2002 (AGENDA ITEM 16)**

**APPROVAL OF REVISED CORE CURRICULUM AND  
AUTHORIZATION TO SUBMIT TO THE TEXAS HIGHER EDUCATIONAL  
COORDINATING BOARD FOR APPROVAL,  
PRAIRIE VIEW A&M UNIVERSITY**

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

The Board of Regents of The Texas A&M University System approves the proposed 42 hour Core Curriculum as approved by the University Academic Council at its July 12, 2001 meeting, and authorizes the President of Prairie View 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 42 credit Core Curriculum will become effective Fall 2002. A copy of the proposal is attached to the official minutes as **Exhibit I**.

**MINUTE ORDER 43-2002 (AGENDA ITEM 17)**

**AUTHORIZATION TO OFFER THE BACHELOR OF SCIENCE DEGREE  
WITH A MAJOR IN CRIMINAL JUSTICE BY DISTANCE EDUCATION,  
TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY-COMMERCE**

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

Having complied with all of the requirements of the Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board, Texas A&M University-Commerce is hereby authorized to offer the following degree program by distance education, face-to-face and telecommunication modes, at Navarro College, Corsicana, Texas, effective Fall 2002, as summarized in **Exhibit J**, a copy of which is attached to the official minutes.

Bachelor of Science degree with a major in Criminal Justice

The Board of Regents of The Texas A&M University System finds that the program offering authorized by this minute order is within the role and scope and capacity of the institution and will benefit students.

**MINUTE ORDER 44-2002 (AGENDA ITEM 18)**

**AUTHORIZATION FOR A NEW DEGREE PROGRAM LEADING  
TO A MASTER OF SCIENCE IN INSTRUCTIONAL TECHNOLOGY  
AND AUTHORIZATION TO SUBMIT TO THE TEXAS HIGHER EDUCATION  
COORDINATING BOARD FOR APPROVAL,  
TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY-KINGSVILLE**

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

The Board of Regents of The Texas A&M University System approves the establishment of a new degree program at Texas A&M University-Kingsville leading to a Master of Science in Instructional Technology degree, as summarized in **Exhibit K**, a copy of which is attached to the official minutes.

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

**MINUTE ORDER 45-2002 (AGENDA ITEM 19)**

**AUTHORIZATION FOR A NEW DEGREE PROGRAM LEADING TO A  
BACHELOR OF SCIENCE IN MASS COMMUNICATIONS,  
TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY-TEXARKANA**

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

The Board of Regents of The Texas A&M University System approves the establishment of a new degree program at Texas A&M University-Texarkana leading to a Bachelor of Science Degree in Mass Communications, as summarized in **Exhibit L**, a copy of which is attached to the official minutes.

The Board also authorizes the President to submit the new degree program 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 46-2002 (AGENDA ITEM 20)**

**AUTHORIZATION FOR A NEW DEGREE PROGRAM LEADING  
TO A BACHELOR OF SCIENCE WITH A MAJOR IN ATHLETIC TRAINING  
AND AUTHORIZATION TO SUBMIT TO THE  
TEXAS HIGHER EDUCATION COORDINATING BOARD FOR APPROVAL,  
WEST TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY**

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

The Board of Regents of The Texas A&M University System approves the establishment of a new degree program at West Texas A&M University leading to a Bachelor of Science Degree with a major in Athletic Training, as summarized in **Exhibit M**, a copy of which is attached to the official minutes.

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

**MINUTE ORDER 47-2002 (AGENDA ITEM 21)**

**AUTHORIZATION FOR A NEW DEGREE PROGRAM  
LEADING TO A BACHELOR OF ARTS OR  
BACHELOR OF SCIENCE WITH A MAJOR IN PRE-LAW STUDIES,  
WEST TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY**

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

The Board of Regents of The Texas A&M University System approves the establishment of a new degree program at West Texas A&M University leading to a Bachelor of Arts or Bachelor of Science Degree with a major in Pre-law Studies, as summarized in **Exhibit N**, a copy of which is attached to the official minutes.

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

**MINUTE ORDER 48-2002 (AGENDA ITEM 22)**

**AUTHORIZATION TO OFFER THE MASTER OF SCIENCE  
IN MATHEMATICS BY DISTANCE EDUCATION,  
TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY**

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

Having complied with all requirements of the Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board, Texas A&M University is hereby authorized to offer the Master of Science in Mathematics by distance education effective March 22, 2002, as summarized in **Exhibit O**, a copy of which is attached to the official minutes.

The Board finds that the program offering authorized by this minute order is within the role and scope and capacity of Texas A&M University and will serve the needs of adult learners who need to take this degree by distance education. The Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board will be notified of the action of the Regents.

**MINUTE ORDER 49-2002 (AGENDA ITEM 23)**

**ESTABLISHMENT OF THE CENTER FOR THE  
STUDY OF FIRST AMERICANS,  
TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY**

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

The Center for the Study of First Americans is hereby established as an organizational unit of Texas A&M University in the College of Liberal Arts, as summarized in **Exhibit P**, attached to the official minutes. The Dean of the College of Liberal Arts with approval by the Executive Vice President and Provost of Texas A&M University is hereby authorized to appoint a Director of the Center for the Study of First Americans.

**MINUTE ORDER 50-2002 (AGENDA ITEM 24)**

**APPROVAL OF CONCEPT PAPER FOR  
THE INTEGRATIVE CENTER FOR HOMELAND SECURITY,  
TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY**

On motion of Dr. Wynn, seconded by Dr. Gramm and by a unanimous vote, the concept paper for the establishment of the Integrative Center for Homeland Security as an organizational unit of Texas A&M University was approved, a copy of which is attached to the official minutes as **Exhibit Q**.

**MINUTE ORDER 51-2002 (AGENDA ITEM 25)**

**APPROVAL OF CONCEPT PAPER FOR THE  
CENTER FOR INFORMATION ASSURANCE AND SECURITY,  
TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY**

On motion of Dr. Wynn, seconded by Dr. Gramm and by a unanimous vote, the concept paper for the Center for Information Assurance and Security as an organizational unit of the Office of the Vice President for Research at Texas A&M University was approved, a copy of which is attached to the official minutes as **Exhibit R**.

**MINUTE ORDER 52-2002 (AGENDA ITEM 26)**

**APPROVAL OF CONCEPT PAPER FOR  
THE IRRIGATION TECHNOLOGY CENTER,  
TEXAS AGRICULTURAL EXPERIMENT STATION AND  
TEXAS COOPERATIVE EXTENSION**

On motion of Dr. Wynn, seconded by Dr. Gramm and by a unanimous vote, the concept paper for the Irrigation Technology Center as an organizational unit within the Texas Agricultural Experiment Station and Texas Cooperative Extension was approved, a copy of which is attached to the official minutes as **Exhibit S**.

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OTHER ITEMS

Mr. Nye called on Dr. Clayton who presented Item 27. The Board took action as set forth below:

(Secretary's Note: Mr. Stevens left the meeting at 11:53 a.m.)

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**MINUTE ORDER 53-2002 (AGENDA ITEM 27)**

**AUTHORIZATION TO AWARD AN HONORARY DEGREE TO  
LUCIEN FLOURNOY,  
TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY-KINGSVILLE**

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

Texas A&M University-Kingsville is authorized to award an Honorary Doctor of Humane Letters Degree to Lucien Flournoy whose long-time support of the institution exemplifies the mission and scope of the University and who has provided meritorious and outstanding service to the University, the State of Texas, the Nation and humanity.

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Mr. Nye called on Dr. Keck who presented Item 28. The Board took action as set forth below:

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**MINUTE ORDER 54-2002 (AGENDA ITEM 28)**

**AUTHORIZATION TO AWARD AN HONORARY DEGREE TO  
VIDAL M. TREVIÑO,  
TEXAS A&M INTERNATIONAL UNIVERSITY**

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

Texas A&M International University is authorized to award an Honorary Doctorate of Education to Vidal M. Treviño, whose devotion to education in all its forms led to a life dedicated to improving the quality of our schools and widening the access to higher education for the citizens of South Texas.

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Mr. Nye called on Dr. Bowen who presented Items 29 and 30. The Board took action as set forth below:

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**MINUTE ORDER 55-2002 (AGENDA ITEM 29)**

**AUTHORIZATION TO AWARD AN HONORARY DEGREE TO  
HIS HIGHNESS SHEIKH DR. SULTAN BIN MOHAMMED AL QUASSIMI,  
TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY**

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

Texas A&M University is authorized to award an honorary Doctor of Letters degree to His Highness Sheikh Dr. Sultan Bin Mohammed Al Quassimi.

**MINUTE ORDER 56-2002 (AGENDA ITEM 30)**

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

On motion of Mr. Sosa, seconded by Dr. Gramm and by a unanimous vote, the following minute order was approved:

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 03, Texas A&M University, a copy of which is attached to the official minutes as **Exhibit T**.

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Mr. Nye called on Dr. Avilés who presented Item 31. The Board took action as set forth below:

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**MINUTE ORDER 57-2002 (AGENDA ITEM 31)**

**ADOPTION OF A RESOLUTION HONORING  
WELDON D. KRUGER '53,  
TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY**

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

Whereas, Weldon D. Kruger, a member of the Class of 1953, has served Texas A&M University with honor and distinction in a variety of capacities; and

Whereas, Mr. Kruger earned bachelor's and master's degrees in petroleum engineering from Texas A&M University, where he served as Cadet Corps Commander; and he nobly served his country for two years as a lieutenant in the United States Air Force; and

Whereas, Mr. Kruger is a business leader of exceptional ability; and served Exxon for 32 years; and ended his decades of service to Exxon as corporate vice president in charge of its worldwide gas business; and was instrumental in negotiating exploration rights and crude oil prices with Middle Eastern countries during turbulent times; and



Whereas, Mr. Kruger served his profession in many roles over the years, including terms as board member of ten corporations, including the Arabian American Oil Company; and has been active in numerous civic activities, serving as a trustee of the American University in Cairo, vice chairman of the Greater New York Advisory Board of The Salvation Army, and member of the Executive Committee of the Near East Foundation; and

Whereas, Mr. Kruger has served selflessly as president of The Association of Former Students; and has served as a member of the Texas A&M University's President's Council, International Programs Executive Committee, Corps of Cadets Development Council, Memorial Student Center Development Committee, and the Petroleum Engineering Industry; and has given a pillar at the Jon L. Hagler Center; and has generously supported numerous other programs, including the Corps of Cadets, Memorial Student Center Programs and Endowed Opportunity Awards; and

Whereas, Mr. Kruger was recognized in 1996 as a Texas A&M University Distinguished Alumnus and was inducted into the Corps of Cadets Hall of Honor in the same year; and received the College of Engineering Alumni Honor Award and was named to the Department of Petroleum Engineering Academy of Distinguished Graduates; and

Whereas, Mr. Kruger has served in key leadership positions with the Vision 2020 initiative and the Blue Ribbon Committee of Corps of Cadets Enrollment and Strength; and has served on the Board of Trustees of the Texas A&M Foundation since 1995, serving as Chairman in 1998-99; and was instrumental in guiding the foundation during the crucial, initial stages of the One Spirit One Vision Campaign; and is a member with his wife, Patti, of University Associates; now, therefore, be it

Resolved, that the Board of Regents of The Texas A&M University System gratefully recognizes the outstanding dedication and service of Mr. Kruger as a Trustee of the Texas A&M Foundation and his lifelong efforts to maintain the margin of excellence that defines Texas A&M University and the Texas A&M Foundation; and, be it, further

Resolved, that this resolution be spread among the minutes, and official copies thereof be signed by the Chairman of the Board of Regents of The Texas A&M University System, be presented to Mr. Kruger, and to the archives of Texas A&M University, as an expression of appreciation and respect for Mr. Weldon D. Kruger '53.

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Mr. Nye called on Dr. Bowen to present Items 32 and 33.

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**MINUTE ORDER 58-2002 (AGENDA ITEM 32)**

**APPOINTMENT OF MS. CARLA JANE MITCHAM TO THE  
TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY AT GALVESTON BOARD OF VISITORS,  
TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY**

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

Effective April 1, 2002, Ms. Carla Jane Mitcham, is hereby appointed to the Texas A&M University at Galveston Board of Visitors for a period of three years.

**MINUTE ORDER 59-2002 (AGENDA ITEM 33)**

**APPOINTMENT OF MR. MICHAEL E. HUMPHREY TO THE  
BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY  
PRIVATE ENTERPRISE RESEARCH CENTER,  
TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY**

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

Effective March 22, 2002, Mr. Michael E. Humphrey Class of 1978, is hereby appointed to the Board of Directors of the Texas A&M University Private Enterprise Research Center.

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Mr. Nye presented Items 34 through 38. The Board took action as set forth below:

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**MINUTE ORDER 60-2002 (AGENDA ITEM 34)**

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

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

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 No. 01-02-04, attached to the official minutes as **Exhibit U**.

**MINUTE ORDER 61-2002 (AGENDA ITEM 35)**

**GRANTING OF THE TITLE OF EMERITUS/EMERITA,  
THE TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY SYSTEM**

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

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. 01-02-04, attached to the official minutes as **Exhibit V**, and grants all rights and privileges of this title.

**MINUTE ORDER 62-2002 (AGENDA ITEM 36)**

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

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

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 by the Presidents of the respective components of The Texas A&M University System, as reflected in **Exhibit W**, attached to the official minutes.

**MINUTE ORDER 63-2002 (AGENDA ITEM 37)**

**RE-ELECTION OF  
H.C. (DULIE) BELL, FRANK W. DENIUS AND JOHN MOBLEY  
AS OUTSIDE DIRECTORS OF THE BOARD OF  
THE HERMAN F. HEEP AND MINNIE BELL HEEP  
TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY FOUNDATION,  
THE TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY SYSTEM**

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

Effective immediately, H.C. (Dulie) Bell, Frank W. Denius and John Mobley are hereby re-elected to serve two-year terms as directors of the Herman F. Heep and Minnie Belle Heep Texas A&M University Foundation Board of Directors.

**MINUTE ORDER 64-2002 (AGENDA ITEM 38)**

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF JANUARY 24-25, 2002, REGULAR MEETING,  
BOARD OF REGENTS, THE TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY SYSTEM**

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

The Minutes of the Board of Regents of The Texas A&M University System held on January 24-25, 2002, in Canyon, Texas, are approved.

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Mr. Nye said the next regular meeting was scheduled for May 23-24, 2002, at Texas A&M International University.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, Mr. Nye adjourned the meeting at 12:05 p.m., Friday, March 22, 2002.

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

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ADDENDUM

These minutes were corrected to include the following two minute orders:

MINUTE ORDER 67-2002 (AGENDA ITEM 14)

**NAMING OF CHRISTOPHER OTTO MOSER, JR., ROOM,
TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY-TEXARKANA**

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

Room No. 151N in the new Academic Building on the campus of Texas A&M University-Texarkana is hereby named the “Christopher Otto Moser, Jr., Room.”

MINUTE ORDER 68-2002 (AGENDA ITEM 14)

**NAMING OF EDWARD R. GENECOV SEMINAR ROOM,
BAYLOR COLLEGE OF DENTISTRY**

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

A seminar room in the Department of Orthodontics at the Baylor College of Dentistry is hereby named the “Edward R. Genecov Seminar Room.”

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