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CONVENE – THURSDAY, OCTOBER 27, 2005

Mr. John White, Chairman, convened a regular meeting of the Board of Regents of The Texas A&M University System (TAMUS) at 1:38 pm, on Thursday, October 27, 2005, in the Board of Regents Meeting Room, on the campus of Texas A&M University (TAMU), College Station, Texas. The following members of the Board were present:

Mr. John White, Chairman
Mr. Bill Jones, Vice Chairman
Mr. Phil Adams
Mr. Lowry Mays
Mr. Erle Nye
Mr. Gene Stallings

The following members of the Board were not present:

Mr. Lupe Fraga
Dr. Wendy Gramm
Mr. R.H. (Steve) Stevens, Jr.

Mr. White announced that a quorum of the Board was present and that the Board would immediately recess to executive session.

(Secretary's Note: Dr. Wendy Gramm and Mr. Lupe Fraga were present on Friday, October 28, 2005.)

RECESS TO EXECUTIVE SESSION

At 1:40 pm, Mr. White announced that the Board would convene in executive session to consider matters as provided in Chapter 551 of the Texas Government Code: 551.071, for consultation with system attorneys regarding legal matters or pending and/or contemplated litigation or settlement offers; 551.072, for deliberations regarding the purchase, exchange, lease or value of real property; 551.073, for deliberations regarding negotiated contracts for prospective gifts or donations; 551.074, for deliberations regarding personnel matters relating to appointment, employment, evaluation, reassignment, duties, discipline, or dismissal or to hear complaints or charges against an officer or employee; 551.087, for deliberations regarding economic development negotiations.

Mr. White said that in accordance with the law, no final action, decision, or vote with regard to any matter considered in the executive session would be made or taken.

(Secretary's Note: The Board recessed its executive session at 3:35 pm. The Board reconvened in executive session at 8:30 am, Friday, October 28, and adjourned at 9:05 am.)

RECONVENE IN OPEN SESSION – FRIDAY, OCTOBER 28

Mr. White reconvened the meeting in open session on Friday, October 28, 2005, at 9:15 am, in Room 1011C of the Annenberg Presidential Conference Center (APCC). The following members of the Board were present:

Mr. John White, Chairman
Mr. Bill Jones, Vice Chairman
Mr. Phil Adams
Mr. Lupe Fraga
Dr. Wendy Gramm (*joined the meeting at 1:52 pm*)
Mr. Lowry Mays
Mr. Erle Nye
Mr. Gene Stallings

The following member of the Board was not present:

Mr. R.H. (Steve) Stevens, Jr.

Mr. White announced that the Board met in executive session on Thursday, October 27, from 1:40 pm until 3:35 pm, and Friday, October 28, from 8:30 am to 9:05 am. He said that in executive session, the Board considered Items 17, 19 and 43 through 47. Mr. White said that they would vote on these items at the end of the meeting during the reports from the standing committees. He said that they had also conferred with the Chancellor, several System administrators and attorneys on personnel, land and legal matters.

INVOCATION

Mr. White called on Mr. Colin Crawford, a senior Maritime Studies Major at Texas A&M University at Galveston (TAMUG) and Vice Chair for Research and Assessment on the Chancellor's Student Advisory Board (CSAB), who presented the invocation.

CHAIRMAN'S REMARKS

Mr. White said that he continues to be amazed at everything that goes on around the System. He said it is remarkable what is being done. Mr. White commended the System and encouraged everyone to keep up the good work.

Mr. White said that the Lone Star State did a great job in response to Hurricanes Katrina and Rita. He said that the System also did a remarkable job in responding by changing the large animal hospital to a human hospital. He said that Dr. Nancy Dickey, President and Vice Chancellor for Health Affairs, and her staff converted the animal hospital into a 900-bed hospital in about two days.

Mr. White said that at the Texas State football game the Board hosted members of Texas Task Force 1 and members of the Incident Management Team. He said he had gone to see the operations of the Texas Forest Service's Lone Star State Incident Management Team and encouraged everyone to go.

Mr. White commended everyone for the work that had been done and what they would continue to do.

HISPANIC SUMMIT UPDATE

Mr. Fraga said that the Summit was being held the same day, on the campus of TAMU. He said it consisted of an exciting group of Hispanic leaders who cared about TAMU. He said that they talked about collaborating with the university staff and administration to make sure that our Hispanic students are taken care of and that there is an increase in Hispanic enrollment. He said that the Texas A&M Hispanic Network (TAMHN) is comprised of Hispanic former students who want to see how they can work together to make A&M better. Mr. Fraga said that he was privileged to be the speaker at the luncheon and invited regents and others in attendance to participate.

CHANCELLOR'S REMARKS

Dr. Bob McTeer, Chancellor, commented that it was a very emotional thing to welcome the returning members of Texas Task Force 1 and others who worked so hard in New Orleans. He thanked Mr. Jim Hull, Director of the Texas Forest Service (TFS), and Mr. Robert "Lanny" Smith, Director of the Texas Engineering Extension Service (TEEX). Dr. McTeer said that the number of Meals Ready-to-Eat (MREs) that the TFS Lone Star Incident Management Team distributed out of Hammond, Louisiana, was 1,087,200. He said that Texas Task Force 1 along with similar groups from other parts of the country was involved in 13,000 rescues. He said that the number of students at Texas A&M University at Galveston (TAMUG) for whom plans were made to integrate into the student body of TAMU during hurricane Rita was 1,700. The number of special needs patients brought to the College of Veterinary Medicine was 650. The number of hurricane-affected students who are enrolled in System institutions is 481 with the largest number of those being enrolled at TAMU and Prairie View A&M University (PVAMU) with the second largest number of students (77). He said that the number of National Guard troops who stayed at the TAMU Student Recreation Center was 450. Dr. McTeer said that the *USS Sirius* from the Texas Maritime Academy at TAMUG was sent to New Orleans and it housed police and firefighters. He said that among the students at TAMU are six different sports teams from Tulane University.

Dr. McTeer said that an event honoring Senator Judith Zaffirini was planned for November 14, on the campus of Texas A&M International University (TAMIU). He said that Dr. Rumaldo Juárez, President of Texas A&M University-Kingsville (TAMU-K) had been named to the Hispanic Business List of 100 Most Influential Hispanics in America.

Dr. McTeer said that during the last meeting he mentioned that the Governor and his colleagues had awarded the System \$50 million from the Texas Enterprise Fund. He

said that \$35 million was spent by Lexicon to create two copies of its mouse cell line library and the remaining \$15 million will be spent by TAMUS to build new facilities in College Station and to remodel the Institute of Biosciences and Technology (IBT) in Houston.

Dr. McTeer said that the A&M System was selected to host the new statewide Texas Life Science Center for Innovation and Commercialization. He said that under the new emerging technologies fund there are seven regional centers set up around the State.

Mr. White thanked and commended the universities and agencies for their collaborative efforts in response to Hurricanes Katrina and Rita.

SYSTEM HEALTH SCIENCE CENTER UPDATE

Dr. Dickey said that the HSC is in the midst of a strategic planning process. She said that the HSC is scattered across the State. She said that regardless of where they talk, they talk about compassion, care, excellent education, superior science and leadership.

Dr. Dickey said that the HSC is ranked number 4 in the top 10 medical schools in the U.S. for Hispanics. She said that this year the Baylor College of Dentistry (BCD) has the most diverse entering class in the nation of dental schools. Mr. Nye commented that these satisfactory results did not happen overnight and encouraged those who have not had these kinds of results to keep working because it will happen.

Dr. Dickey said that the College of Medicine (COM) within the HSC and PVAMU have partnered together to create the PVAMU Undergraduate Medical Academy. She said that this is a special program to recruit students who are finishing their freshman year and will spend the next three years at PVAMU. She said that faculty from the COM participate in teaching, summer enrichment programs, clinics and research laboratories. She said that they hope by this method they will have an increased number of superbly qualified candidates who will choose TAMU.

Dr. Dickey said that their enrollment continues to grow. She said that with their partnership with Texas A&M University-Corpus Christi (TAMU-CC) they have their first group of A&M nursing students who are in the middle of their first semester of the 18-month fast-track program. Dr. Dickey said that the first class of students located in Bryan/College Station would graduate in December 2006.

Dr. Dickey said that they are committed to excellence in education. She said that they are using new simulators in the dental schools and that mannequins are used by students to do actual procedures. She said that the dental school has one of the best simulation labs in the country and every student has access to one.

Dr. Dickey said that in superior science they are constantly competing with their much larger brother in the State. She said that from Fiscal Year 2000-2004 they have more than doubled their amount of research expenditures.

Dr. Dickey said that like TAMU, they depend on federally-funded centers. She said that the Center for Microencapsulation and Drug Delivery is a collaboration between scientists on the A&M campus and the COM who are working on new ways to deliver drugs. Dr. Dickey said that the Center for Disease Control (CDC) for Rural Public Health Preparedness (CPHP) helps small communities prepare for emergencies.

Dr. Dickey said that during Hurricane Katrina, mobile vans from TAMU-CC and the local area were used to provide care at local shelters to help keep people out of the emergency rooms. She said that they were able to provide prescriptions and office type primary care. She said that student nurses from our campus, Blinn and medical students helped staff the vans. Dr. Dickey said that they created on-line health records because many of the victims lost everything including their physician's office and their medical information. She said that Dr. Carlton and Dr. Richard Adams, Dean of the College of Veterinary Medicine, were instrumental in the conversion of the large animal hospital for special needs patients. Dr. Dickey said that the animal stalls were thoroughly cleaned and within 24 hours, the first busload with 150 people arrived. She said that the first public health workers did not arrive until 48 hours later so the facility was manned by volunteers.

Mr. Nye commended Dr. Dickey for her leadership.

TEXAS A&M-SAN ANTONIO CAMPUS UPDATE

Mr. White introduced Senator Frank Madla from San Antonio. He said that Senator Madla has been in public service for much of his adult life, serving 20 years in the Texas House of Representatives and as a senator since 1993. Mr. White said that as a member of the 78th Legislature, Senator Madla was Chairman of the Senate Intergovernmental Relations Committee and was a member of numerous committees and subcommittees having to do with infrastructure development, security of government affairs and military installations. He has been a leader who has been instrumental in bringing the A&M System to South San Antonio. In 1999, with the support of then Lieutenant Governor Perry and against all odds, Senator Madla helped us apply for and win \$1.6 million to establish the Texas A&M Kingsville System Center at Palo Alto. In the 2001 session, he doubled the Center's funding and in the last session, he secured passage of Senate Bill 800 that established Texas A&M-San Antonio enrollment targets. Mr. White said that Senator Madla continues to be a leader in San Antonio and a tremendous ally for the A&M System in the efforts to get legislative approval for construction bonds to help build the San Antonio campus.

Senator Madla said he appreciated the time to address the Board. He recognized Dr. McTeer, Mr. Mays, Ms. Cindy Taylor, Dr. Carl Raba, Dr. Leo Sayavedra, Mr. Greg Garcia and Mr. James Hooton. Senator Madla said that the reason the tuition revenue bonds (TRBs) did not happen during the special session was because the decision was made by the leadership of the Senate. Senator Madla said that no TRBs would pass until the school finance bill passed the Texas Senate and House. He said he did not believe that there would be a special session before January. He said he did not

believe they would have an opportunity to pay any TRBs in the year 2005 and he did not know whether they would get them in 2006. He said that the question is whether the Governor would call a special session and when. Senator Madla said that his guess was that there would not be a special session until after the primary election. He said that if they go into session, once they pass the bill (student finance), the Governor has pledged to announce TRBs. He said that the Governor and Lieutenant Governor had assured him that they were supportive of TRBs for Texas A&M-San Antonio.

Senator Madla said that there was no concern in his mind about how serious Texas A&M is about coming to San Antonio, but there was some doubt in the minds of some individuals. He said he hopes that they will start construction as soon as possible. Senator Madla said that while he knows that Permanent University Fund (PUF) dollars have never been used to construct an institution, he asked the Board to seriously consider this option if possible and that \$100 million be given to start construction. Senator Madla pledged that he would go back and continue to work on TRBs to obtain the necessary dollars to bring Texas A&M to San Antonio.

Mr. Nye said that he admired the leadership and courage of Senator Madla. He said that he was persuaded that with his leadership, the San Antonio campus will be a reality. Mr. Nye said that he thinks that they will look back on this time, as a very far-reaching, visionary approach that they have taken that will serve not only South San Antonio but the entire region. He said that San Antonio, the region and the A&M System will have served the interest of a vast number of citizens that are now under-served and we will look back with great pride. We need to stay the course.

Mr. White said that he had written a letter to the Mayor of San Antonio on behalf of the Board reaffirming the Board's commitment to the San Antonio campus. He said that this is an important link in "Closing the Gaps."

**REPORT FROM THE
CHANCELLOR'S STUDENT ADVISORY BOARD (CSAB)**

Dr. McTeer introduced Ms. Kala Weller, CSAB Chair from West Texas A&M University (WTAMU). Ms. Weller thanked the Board for the opportunity to speak. She said that it has been an honor serving as the Chair of CSAB. She said that the CSAB would be traveling in January to Washington, D.C. to learn as much as they can about the process of the American government and how it affects state institutions. She said that they will observe the connections between each university and the System as well as do research and be conversive with those members of Congress, the Senate and any government agencies that they get to meet. Ms. Weller said that they specifically want to talk on the issues of the higher education reform act, financial aid and application requirements and PELL Grants. She said that they have also, with the help of our System office, observed the process of the campus federal initiatives. She said that they have learned a lot.

Ms. Weller said that they have several local focuses for their individual campuses. She said that in the month of November they would commemorate the fall of Aggie

Bonfire in 1999 by holding a system-wide blood drive. She said that each campus will also have voter registration drives and will work to build bonds between each campus by exchanging ideas. Ms. Weller said that the CSAB's most important job was to provide students with a voice from their own campuses, to the System and to the Board.

The following members of the CSAB presented remarks specific to their respective universities: Mr. Oludayo Olusunya, Student Body President of PVAMU; Mr. Casey Hogan, Student Body President of Tarleton State University (TSU); Mr. Felix Velasques, Student Body President of TAMIU; Mr. Jim Carlson, Student Body President of TAMU; Mr. Cameron Reynolds, Student Body President of Texas A&M University-Commerce (TAMU-C); Ms. Jennifer Prestriedge, Student Body President of TAMU-CC; Mr. Scott Johnson, Student Body President of TAMUG; Mr. Ricardo Barrera, Student Body President of Texas A&M University-Kingsville (TAMU-K); Ms. Lisa Baxter, Student Body President of Texas A&M University-Texarkana (TAMU-T); Mr. Seth Lujan, Student Body President of WTAMU; and Ms. Kristin Herbert from the TAMUS HSC School of Rural Public Health.

Mr. Stallings said it was a joy to hear these young men and women speak on behalf of their particular institutions. He said that it was reassuring to know that the future is in good hands.

Mr. White commented on how impressive the CSAB was and that he has great optimism for the future of our System and the State.

Mr. Fraga asked the Chancellor how often he meets with CSAB. Dr. McTeer responded that he hopes to go to Washington, D.C. with them and that so far he has met with them once in Galveston and that he met with the leaders of CSAB the day before in the System offices.

RECESS

Mr. White recessed the meeting at 10:45 am.

(Secretary's note: The Committee on Finance convened at 1:52 pm and adjourned at 2:11 pm. The Committee on Buildings and Physical Plant convened at 2:12 pm and adjourned at 2:37 pm. The Committee on Academic and Student Affairs convened at 2:38 pm and adjourned at 2:57 pm. The Special Committee on Campus Art and Aesthetic Improvement convened at 2:58 pm and adjourned at 2:59 pm. The Ad Hoc Policy Review Committee convened at 3:00 pm and adjourned at 3:19 pm.)

RECONVENE

Mr. White reconvened the meeting at 3:20 pm. He said that this was the first Board with the public testimony policy in place. He said no requests had been received in the Board Office to provide public testimony at this Board Meeting. He said the Committee on Audit would be held at the conclusion of the Board Meeting. Mr. White then called on Mr. Adams to present the report from the Committee on Finance.

REPORT FROM THE COMMITTEE ON FINANCE

Mr. Adams, Chairman of the Committee on Finance, reported that the Committee met earlier the same day and considered and approved Items 2 through 6 and 49 (*Item 1 was withdrawn prior to the meeting*). The Board took action as set forth below:

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**MINUTE ORDER 176-2005 (AGENDA ITEM 2)**

**APPROVAL OF GUARANTY BOND BANK  
AS A DEPOSITORY FOR THE TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY SYSTEM,  
THE TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY SYSTEM**

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

In accordance with The Texas A&M University System Policy 22.02 (*System Investment*), Guaranty Bond Bank is hereby approved as a depository for The Texas A&M University System.

**MINUTE ORDER 177-2005 (AGENDA ITEM 3)**

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

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

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

| Member | Amount      | Project Name and Source of Funds                                                                                                         |
|--------|-------------|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| TAMUK  | \$1,089,200 | Campus Renovations – Jones Auditorium Revenue Financing System Debt Proceeds (General Revenue - Tuition Revenue Bond Debt Service)       |
| TAMUK  | \$1,832,750 | Campus Renovation - A.L. Kleberg Hall Revenue Financing System Debt Proceeds (General Revenue - Tuition Revenue Bond Debt Service)       |
| PVAMU  | \$1,000,000 | Extend Wireless Capabilities to University Village I, II & III Revenue Financing System Debt Proceeds (Student Computer Center Reserves) |
| PVAMU  | \$ 392,651  | Voice over Internet Protocol (VoIP) - Part I Revenue Financing System Debt Proceeds (Telecommunications Revenues)                        |

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| PVAMU | \$1,272,737 | Voice over Internet Protocol (VoIP) - Part II Revenue Financing System Debt Proceeds (Telecommunications Revenues)              |
| PVAMU | \$1,334,612 | Voice over Internet Protocol (VoIP) - Part III Revenue Financing System Debt Proceeds (Telecommunications Revenues)             |
| TAMUG | \$ 518,579  | Student Life Center Revenue Financing System Debt Proceeds (Student Center Fees)                                                |
| TAMUK | \$ 915,000  | Infrastructure/Street Improvements Revenue Financing System Debt Proceeds (General Revenue - Tuition Revenue Bond Debt Service) |

To the extent this appropriation is an obligation of the Revenue Financing System, and as required by Section 5(a) of the Master Resolution of the Revenue Financing System, the Board hereby determines that it will have sufficient funds to meet the financial obligations of The Texas A&M University System, including sufficient pledged revenues to satisfy the annual debt service of the Revenue Financing System and to meet the financial obligations of the Board relating to the Revenue Financing System and that the participants, on whose behalf the Bonds are to be issued, possess the financial capacity to satisfy their direct obligations.

**MINUTE ORDER 178-2005 (AGENDA ITEM 4)**

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

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

The Board of Regents of The Texas A&M University System hereby accepts the gifts, donations, grants, and endowments made to the components of The Texas A&M University System concerned as shown on Gifts, Donations, Grants, and Endowments List No. 06-01. A copy of which is attached to the official minutes as **Exhibit A**.

**MINUTE ORDER 179-2005 (AGENDA ITEM 5)**

**AUTHORIZATION TO EXCEED  
LIMITATIONS ON STATE EMPLOYMENT LEVELS,  
THE TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY SYSTEM**

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

The Board of Regents of The Texas A&M University System hereby approves the request by the components listed in **Exhibit B**, a copy of which is attached to the official minutes, for an exception to the limitation on state employment levels specified in House Bill 1, 79<sup>th</sup> Legislature.

**MINUTE ORDER 180-2005 (AGENDA ITEM 6)**

**AUTHORIZATION TO EXECUTE  
INTEGRATED ATHLETIC SPONSORSHIP CONTRACTS,  
TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY**

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

Authority is hereby granted, upon review for legal form and sufficiency by the Office of General Counsel, to the President of Texas A&M University, or designee, to execute Integrated Athletic Sponsorship Contracts, as shown in **Exhibit C**, a copy of which is attached to the official minutes, with various corporate entities.

**MINUTE ORDER 181-2005 (AGENDA ITEM 49)**

**AUTHORIZATION TO EXECUTE A CONTRACT BETWEEN  
TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY AND TDI-BROOKS INTERNATIONAL, INC.,  
FOR TRANSFER OF OWNERSHIP OF THE RESEARCH VESSEL GYRE,  
TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY**

On motion of Mr. Adams, 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, upon review and approval for legal sufficiency by the Office of General Counsel, hereby grants authority to the President, or his designee, of Texas A&M University to execute a contract with TDI-Brooks International, Inc. for transfer of ownership of the Research Vessel Gyre.

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

REPORT FROM THE COMMITTEE ON BUILDINGS AND PHYSICAL PLANT

Mr. Nye, Chairman of the Committee on Buildings and Physical Plant, said that the Committee met earlier the same day and considered Items 7, 10 through 14, 16, 17 and 19 and the various recommendations of Architect/Engineering (A/E) firms as recommended in the Committee meeting (*Items 8 and 15 were approved September 29, 2005, and Items 9 and 18 were withdrawn prior to the meeting*).

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**MINUTE ORDER 182-2005 (AGENDA ITEM 7)**

**APPROVAL OF THE PROGRAM OF REQUIREMENTS AND  
PROJECT BUDGET, APPROPRIATION FOR DESIGN AND  
SELECTION OF THE ARCHITECT/ENGINEER DESIGN FIRM FOR THE  
VETERINARY RESEARCH BUILDING ADDITION,  
TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY**

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

The program of requirements for the Veterinary Research Building Addition at Texas A&M University is approved.

The project budget of \$14,000,000 for the Veterinary Research Building Addition at Texas A&M University is approved.

Supplementing a previous appropriation of \$25,000, the amount of \$1,240,000 is appropriated from Account No. 212340 Available University Fund for design of the Veterinary Research Building Addition at Texas A&M University.

The firm of Overland Partners Architects, Inc. of San Antonio, Texas, is selected as the firm ranked first to head the architect/engineer design team for the Veterinary Research Building Addition 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, a copy of which is attached to the official minutes as **Exhibit D**, until an agreement for a design contract is reached.

The Board of Regents of The Texas A&M University System (Board) 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 183-2005 (AGENDA ITEM 10)**

**APPROVAL OF THE PROGRAM OF REQUIREMENTS AND PROJECT BUDGET, APPROPRIATION FOR DESIGN AND SELECTION OF THE ARCHITECT/ENGINEER DESIGN FIRM FOR THE NUCLEAR MAGNETIC RESONANCE FACILITY, TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY**

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

The program of requirements for the Nuclear Magnetic Resonance Facility at Texas A&M University is approved.

The project budget of \$5,000,000 for the Nuclear Magnetic Resonance Facility at Texas A&M University is approved.

Supplementing a previous appropriation of \$25,000, the amount of \$476,000 is appropriated from Account No. 01-084240 Permanent University Fund Debt Proceeds for design of the Nuclear Magnetic Resonance Facility at Texas A&M University.

The firm of P&W Architects, LLP of Houston, Texas, is selected as the firm ranked first to head the architect/engineer design team for the Nuclear Magnetic Resonance Facility 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, a copy of which is attached to the official minutes as **Exhibit E**, until an agreement for a design contract is reached.

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

**MINUTE ORDER 184-2005 (AGENDA ITEM 11)**

**APPROVAL OF THE PROGRAM OF REQUIREMENTS AND PROJECT BUDGET AND APPROPRIATION FOR DESIGN FOR THE EASTERWOOD AIRPORT MCKENZIE TERMINAL APRON EXPANSION (FAA#23), TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY**

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

The program of requirements for the Easterwood Airport McKenzie Terminal Apron Expansion (FAA #23) at Texas A&M University is approved.

The project budget of \$1,056,000 for the Easterwood Airport McKenzie Terminal Apron Expansion (FAA #23) at Texas A&M University is approved.

Supplementing a previous appropriation of \$25,000, the amount of \$90,000 is appropriated from Account No. 02-030020 Airport Operations for design of the Easterwood Airport McKenzie Terminal Expansion Apron (FAA #23) at Texas A&M University.

**MINUTE ORDER 185-2005 (AGENDA ITEM 12)**

**APPROVAL OF THE PROGRAM OF REQUIREMENTS,  
PROJECT BUDGET AND APPROPRIATION FOR  
DESIGN-BUILD PRE-CONSTRUCTION  
SERVICES FOR THE NEW RESIDENTIAL HOUSING,  
WEST TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY**

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

The program of requirements for the New Residential Housing at West Texas A&M University is approved.

The project budget of \$9,950,000 for the New Residential Housing at West Texas A&M University is approved.

Supplementing a previous appropriation of \$25,000, the amount of \$825,000 is appropriated from Account No. 18-11-0986001 Designated Tuition for design-build pre-construction services for the New Residential Housing at West Texas A&M University.

The Chancellor is hereby authorized to approve the ranked order selection recommendation of the design-build firm to design and construct this project.

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 until an agreement for a design-build pre-construction contract is reached.

The Board of Regents of The Texas A&M University System (Board) 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 186-2005 (AGENDA ITEM 13)**

**APPROVAL OF THE CONCEPTUAL DESIGN AND PROJECT BUDGET,  
APPROPRIATION FOR DESIGN DEVELOPMENT AND SELECTION  
OF THE ARCHITECT/ENGINEER DESIGN FIRM FOR THE  
EMERGENCY OPERATIONS AND SUPPORT SERVICES BUILDING,  
TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY-CORPUS CHRISTI**

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

The conceptual design for the Emergency Operations and Support Services Building at Texas A&M University-Corpus Christi is approved.

The project budget of \$4,261,737 for Emergency Operations and Support Services Building at Texas A&M University-Corpus Christi is approved.

Supplementing a previous appropriation of \$10,000, the amount of \$325,000 is appropriated from Account No. 15-029999 Interest Income - Designated for design development of the Emergency Operations and Support Services Building at Texas A&M University-Corpus Christi.

Authorization for the continuation of Cotton Landreth Kramer Architects & Associates, Inc. of Corpus Christi, Texas, as the project architect/engineer initially selected by Texas A&M University-Corpus Christi is approved.

The Board of Regents of The Texas A&M University System (Board) 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 187-2005 (AGENDA ITEM 14)**

**APPROVAL TO ADJUST THE PROJECT SCOPE AND PROJECT BUDGET  
AND APPROPRIATION FOR DESIGN FOR THE  
ROSS STREET UTILITY IMPROVEMENTS,  
TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY**

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

The scope adjustment for the Ross Street Utility Improvements at Texas A&M University is approved.

The budget of \$3,707,000 for the Ross Street Utility Improvements at Texas A&M University is approved.

Supplementing a previous appropriation of \$235,000, the amount of \$75,000 is appropriated from Account No. 085008 Designated Tuition for design of the Ross Street Utility Improvements at Texas A&M University.

Authorization for the continuation of Klotz Associates of Houston, Texas, as the project architect/engineer originally selected under Project No. 2-2874 is approved.

The Board of Regents of The Texas A&M University System (Board) 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 188-2005 (AGENDA ITEM 16)**

**NAMING OF THE  
“CHARLES BENJAMIN LOOK REFERENCE CENTER,”  
TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY**

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

The Charles Benjamin Look Science-Engineering Reference Center, newly relocated on the first floor of the Sterling C. Evans Library on the campus of Texas A&M University, is hereby named the “Charles Benjamin Look Reference Center.”

**MINUTE ORDER 189-2005 (AGENDA ITEM 16)**

**NAMING OF THE  
“LAMIYA ZAHIN MEMORIAL PARK,”  
TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY**

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

The proposed Memorial Park to be located in the University Apartments located between Moore Avenue and Hensel Avenue (running East/West) and the U-V Row and the W-X Row (running North/South) is hereby named the “Lamiya Zahin Memorial Park.”

**MINUTE ORDER 190-2005 (AGENDA ITEM 16)**

**NAMING OF THE  
“GENERAL JULIUS W. BECTON, JR. AUDITORIUM,”  
PRAIRIE VIEW A&M UNIVERSITY**

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

The Auditorium in the Alvin I. Thomas Building on the campus of Prairie View A&M University is hereby named the “General Julius W. Becton, Jr. Auditorium.”

**MINUTE ORDER 191-2005 (AGENDA ITEM 17)**

**AUTHORIZATION TO ENTER INTO A  
LONG-TERM LEASE OF LAND IN CROCKETT COUNTY, TEXAS,  
THE TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY SYSTEM**

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

The Chancellor of The Texas A&M University System, or his designee, following approval for legal sufficiency by the Office of General Counsel, is authorized to negotiate and take all steps necessary to enter into a long-term lease agreement with the University of Texas System for a tract of land containing approximately 3,160.50 acres and being described as Sections 15, 16, 21, 22, 23, 26, 27 & 28, Block 41; and Sections 3, 4, & 5, Block 42, University Lands, Crockett County, Texas. The term of the lease will be for ten (10) years and will commence on January 1, 2006, and expire on December 31, 2015. The rental of \$1,000 per year (\$10,000 total rental consideration) will be paid in one lump sum upon commencement of the lease.

**MINUTE ORDER 192-2005 (AGENDA ITEM 19)**

**AUTHORIZATION TO LEASE LAND IN BRAZORIA COUNTY, TEXAS,  
THE TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY SYSTEM**

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

The Chancellor of The Texas A&M University System, or his designee, following approval for legal sufficiency by the Office of General Counsel, is authorized to enter into a long-term ground lease with the County of Brazoria for a tract of land consisting of 156.36 acres, more or less, out of the Theodore S. Lee Survey, Abstract No. 318, Brazoria County, Texas. The term of the ground lease will be fifty (50) years, with consideration being \$1.00 per year.

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Mr. White called on Dr. Gramm to present the report from the Committee on Academic and Student Affairs.

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

Dr. Gramm, Chairman of the Committee on Academic and Student Affairs said that the Committee met earlier the same day and considered and approved Items 22 through 26 (*Items 20 and 21 were approved September 29, 2005 and Items 27 and 28 were withdrawn prior to the meeting*). The Board took action as set forth below:

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**MINUTE ORDER 193-2005 (AGENDA ITEM 22)**

**DISSOLUTION OF THE CENTER FOR  
ADVANCED INVERTEBRATE MOLECULAR SCIENCES  
WITHIN THE COLLEGE OF AGRICULTURE AND LIFE SCIENCES,  
TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY**

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

The Center for Advanced Invertebrate Molecular Sciences, established within the College of Agriculture and Life Sciences at Texas A&M University by Board Minute Order 209-89, is hereby dissolved as of September 23, 2005.

**MINUTE ORDER 194-2005 (AGENDA ITEM 23)**

**APPROVAL OF CONCEPT PAPER TO ESTABLISH THE CENTER FOR  
SPORT MANAGEMENT RESEARCH AND EDUCATION (CSMRE),  
TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY**

On motion of Dr. Gramm, seconded by Mr. Nye and by a unanimous vote, the concept paper to establish the Center for Sport Management Research and Education (CSMRE) within the Department of Health and Kinesiology was approved, a copy of which is attached to the official minutes as **Exhibit F**.

**MINUTE ORDER 195-2005 (AGENDA ITEM 24)**

**APPROVAL OF CONCEPT PAPER TO ESTABLISH THE CENTER FOR  
OBESITY RESEARCH AND PROGRAM EVALUATION,  
TEXAS AGRICULTURAL EXPERIMENT STATION,  
TEXAS COOPERATIVE EXTENSION AND TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY**

On motion of Dr. Gramm, seconded by Mr. Nye and by a unanimous vote, the concept paper to establish the Center for Obesity Research and Program Evaluation within the Texas Agricultural Experiment Station, Texas Cooperative Extension and Texas A&M University was approved, a copy of which is attached to the official minutes as **Exhibit G**.

**MINUTE ORDER 196-2005 (AGENDA ITEM 25)**

**APPROVAL OF CONCEPT PAPER TO ESTABLISH THE  
CENTER FOR EQUINE BUSINESS STUDIES,  
TEXAS AGRICULTURAL EXPERIMENT STATION,  
TEXAS COOPERATIVE EXTENSION AND  
TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY**

On motion of Dr. Gramm, seconded by Mr. Nye and by a unanimous vote, the concept paper to establish the Center for Equine Business Studies within the Texas Agricultural Experiment Station, Texas Cooperative Extension and Texas A&M University was approved, a copy of which is attached to the official minutes as **Exhibit H**.

**MINUTE ORDER 197-2005 (AGENDA ITEM 26)**

**APPROVAL OF CONCEPT PAPER TO ESTABLISH THE  
CENTER FOR LARGE-SCALE SCIENTIFIC SIMULATIONS,  
TEXAS ENGINEERING EXPERIMENT STATION AND  
TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY**

On motion of Dr. Gramm, seconded by Mr. Nye and by a unanimous vote, the concept paper to establish the Center for Large-Scale Scientific Simulations within the Texas Engineering Experiment Station and Texas A&M University was approved, a copy of which is attached to the official minutes as **Exhibit I**.

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Mr. White called on Dr. Gramm to present the report from the Special Committee on Campus Art and Aesthetic Improvement.

**REPORT FROM THE SPECIAL COMMITTEE
ON CAMPUS ART AND AESTHETIC IMPROVEMENT**

Dr. Gramm, Chairman of the Special Committee on Campus Art and Aesthetic Improvement, reported that the Committee met earlier the same day and considered and approved Item 29. The Board took action as set forth below:

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**MINUTE ORDER 198-2005 (AGENDA ITEM 29)**

**AUTHORIZATION FOR THE ACCEPTANCE AND PLACEMENT OF A  
STATE HISTORICAL MARKER AT THE MAIN DRILL FIELD,  
TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY**

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

Authorization is hereby granted to the President of Texas A&M University to accept and approve the placement of a State Historical Marker on the Main Drill Field adjacent to the James B. Kelly Reviewing Stand. The State Historical Marker and monument are gifts to Texas A&M University.

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Mr. White called on Mr. Stallings to present the report from the Ad Hoc Policy Review Committee.

REPORT FROM THE AD HOC POLICY REVIEW COMMITTEE

Mr. Stallings, Chairman of the Ad Hoc Policy Review Committee, reported that the Committee met earlier the same day and considered and approved Item 31 (*Item 30 was approved September 30, 2005*). The Board took action as set forth below:

(Secretary's Note: During the Committee meeting, Policy 41.03 was revised to remove the words "If possible" in Paragraph 5.)

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**MINUTE ORDER 199-2005 (AGENDA ITEM 31)**

**REVISION OF VARIOUS SYSTEM POLICIES,  
THE TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY SYSTEM**

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

Requests to revise and change the System Policies listed in the Briefing and, as shown in **Revised Exhibit J**, a copy of which is attached to the official minutes, are approved, effective immediately.

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OTHER ITEMS

Mr. White called on Dr. Gates to present Items 32 and 33. The Board took action as set forth below:

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**MINUTE ORDER 200-2005 (AGENDA ITEM 32)**

**ADOPTION OF A RESOLUTION IN HONOR OF THE  
TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY EQUESTRIAN TEAM,  
TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY**

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

Whereas, the Texas A&M equestrian team has won five national championship team titles over the course of the past four years; and

Whereas, the team has produced five riders who have won a combined ten individual national championship titles, as well as five additional riders who have won classes at the national championship show; and

Whereas, the Aggies tied the Intercollegiate Horse Show Association (IHSA) record for consecutive western team national championships from 2002-2004; and

Whereas, the English and western teams came together to win the first-ever Varsity Equestrian Championship in 2002, the forerunner to what will one day be the NCAA Championship for equestrian; and

Whereas, the team has provided a tremendous amount of positive national publicity for Texas A&M University in publications including, but not limited to, the American Quarter Horse Association (AQHA) Journal, Horse & Rider magazine and Sports Illustrated; and

Whereas, the Texas A&M English riders became the first English team west of the Mississippi to finish amongst the top five (fourth) in the 38-year history of the Intercollegiate Horse Show Association this past May; and

Whereas, the Texas A&M western riders won their first Varsity Equestrian Championship crown this past April; now, therefore, be it

Resolved, that we, the members of the Board of Regents of The Texas A&M University System, express our sincere congratulations to the members of the Texas A&M University Equestrian Team for the honor and recognition their accomplishments have brought to Texas A&M University and to The Texas A&M University System; 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, and be presented to the equestrian team and to the Archives of Texas A&M University, as a permanent mark of this Board's appreciation and gratitude to the athletes for a job well done.

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Mr. White asked Ms. Tana Rawson, Head Coach, Ms. Linzy Woolf, Assistant Coach, Dr. Gates, and the Regents to join him for the presentation of the framed resolution and to take a photograph.

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**MINUTE ORDER 201-2005 (AGENDA ITEM 33)**

**ADOPTION OF A RESOLUTION HONORING  
MR. ARTHUR R. "ARTIE" MCFERRIN  
FOR HIS OUTSTANDING SERVICE TO THE  
DWIGHT LOOK COLLEGE OF ENGINEERING,  
TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY**

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

Whereas, Mr. Arthur R. "Artie" McFerrin, a 1965 Chemical Engineering graduate of Texas A&M University, is an ardent supporter of his alma mater; and

Whereas, Mr. McFerrin further demonstrated his academic acumen by earning a Master of Science degree in Chemical Engineering from Texas A&M in 1969; and

Whereas, Mr. McFerrin has distinguished himself as an executive in the chemical process industry, establishing and managing numerous corporations related to the manufacture of specialty chemicals, including KMCO, KMTEX and South Coast Terminals; and

Whereas, Mr. McFerrin has been an exemplary role model for young men and women, particularly those who choose careers in Chemical Engineering and related fields; and

Whereas, Mr. McFerrin has generously given of his time and talent to promote programs at his alma mater, including the Association of Former Students, The 12<sup>th</sup> Man Foundation and Texas A&M Engineering; and

Whereas, Mr. McFerrin has been a strong advocate for the Texas Institute for the Advancement of Chemical Technology since its inception in 1986 and currently serves on its board of directors; and

Whereas, Mr. McFerrin has devoted a half-decade of honorable and dedicated service to the Chemical Engineering Advisory Council at Texas A&M, faithfully fulfilling his responsibilities with pride, integrity and dedication; and

Whereas, Mr. McFerrin has served as chairman of that august body since 2004, leading by example, directing the course of the Council with great vision, and providing wise counsel for the largest advancement campaign in the history of the department; and

Whereas, Mr. McFerrin has further ensured departmental excellence by co-endowing the McFerrin Professorship in Chemical Engineering, with the objective of providing premier faculty to our students; and

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

Resolved, on behalf of the students, faculty and staff of Texas A&M University and its affiliated associations and foundations, the Board of Regents of The Texas A&M University System joins in expressing its deepest gratitude and respect for his distinguished support and lifetime achievements; and, be it, further

Resolved, that in honor of his service to the Dwight Look College of Engineering, the Board of Regents of The Texas A&M University System has bestowed his good name, with all the regard to which he is duly entitled, upon the Artie McFerrin Department of Chemical Engineering; and, be it further

Resolved, that this resolution be spread upon the minutes, with official copies thereof signed by the Chairman of the Board of Regents, and be presented to Mr. Arthur R. "Artie" McFerrin and to the archives of Texas A&M University as a permanent tribute to the high esteem in which he is held.

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Mr. White called on Dr. G. Kemble Bennett, Vice Chancellor and Dean of Engineering, to present Item 34. The Board took action as set forth below:

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**MINUTE ORDER 202-2005 (AGENDA ITEM 34)**

**APPROVAL FOR SYSTEM EMPLOYEE TO SERVE AS AN  
OFFICER, EMPLOYEE, AND BOARD MEMBER OF A  
BUSINESS ENTITY LICENSING TECHNOLOGY FROM  
THE TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY SYSTEM,  
TEXAS ENGINEERING EXPERIMENT STATION**

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

The Board of Regents of The Texas A&M University System hereby grants approval for Dr. K. Ted Hartwig, Professor of Mechanical Engineering and TEES Researcher, to serve as an officer, employee, and member of the board of directors of Shear Form Inc., a business entity that has an agreement with The Texas A&M University System relating to the research, development, licensing, or exploitation of intellectual property conceived, created, discovered, invented and developed by Dr. Hartwig.

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Mr. Jones asked if the item had been reviewed by the lawyers, if they were okay with the concept and whether there have other instances of this nature. Dr. Bennett responded in the affirmative. He said that a position can not be held in a company, on any kind of board or as an officer unless approved by the Board.

Mr. White called on Dr. McTeer who presented Item 35. The Board took action as set forth below:

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**MINUTE ORDER 203 -2005 (AGENDA ITEM 35)**

**DELEGATION OF AUTHORITY TO THE CHANCELLOR TO  
REPRESENT THE TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY SYSTEM ON  
CORPORATE BOARDS OF TECHNOLOGY DEVELOPMENT COMPANIES,  
THE TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY SYSTEM**

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

The Chancellor, or designee, is authorized to serve on the governing board of corporate entities formed for the purpose of development and commercialization of technology owned by The Texas A&M University System or in which it has an interest. At the next regular meeting of the Board of Regents, following the date on which the Chancellor, or designee, becomes a member of the corporate board, information concerning the corporation, including financial and business matters, will be presented to the Board of Regents with a request for authorization to continue serving as a member of the corporate board.

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Mr. White called on Dr. Dennis McCabe, President of TSU, who presented Item 36. The Board took action as set forth below:

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**MINUTE ORDER 204-2005 (AGENDA ITEM 36)**

**AUTHORIZATION TO AWARD THE  
HONORARY DOCTOR OF HUMANE LETTERS DEGREE TO  
MR. CARL A. PHILLIPS,  
TARLETON STATE UNIVERSITY**

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

Tarleton State University is authorized to award an Honorary Doctor of Humane Letters degree to Mr. Carl A. Phillips.

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Mr. White called on Dr. Gates who presented Item 37. The Board took action as set forth below:

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**MINUTE ORDER 205-2005 (AGENDA ITEM 37)**

**AUTHORIZATION TO AWARD AN  
HONORARY DOCTOR OF LETTERS DEGREE TO  
BARBARA PIERCE BUSH,  
TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY**

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

Texas A&M University is authorized to award an Honorary Doctor of Letters degree to Barbara Pierce Bush, former First Lady of the United States.

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Dr. Gates presented Item 38. The Board took action as set forth below:

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**MINUTE ORDER 206-2005 (AGENDA ITEM 38-A)**

**REAPPOINTMENT OF MR. JAMES T. EDMONDS  
TO THE TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY AT GALVESTON  
BOARD OF VISITORS,  
TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY**

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

Effective August 1, 2005, Mr. James T. Edmonds is hereby reappointed for a second term to the Texas A&M University at Galveston Board of Visitors for a period of three years.

**MINUTE ORDER 207-2005 (AGENDA ITEM 38-B)**

**REAPPOINTMENT OF CAPTAIN JONATHAN W. COOK  
TO THE TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY AT GALVESTON  
BOARD OF VISITORS,  
TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY**

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

Effective August 1, 2005, Captain Jonathan W. Cook is hereby reappointed for a second term to the Texas A&M University at Galveston Board of Visitors for a period of three years.

**MINUTE ORDER 208-2005 (AGENDA ITEM 38-C)**

**REAPPOINTMENT OF DR. B. GREGORY MITCHELL  
TO THE TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY AT GALVESTON  
BOARD OF VISITORS,  
TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY**

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

Effective August 1, 2005, Dr. B. Gregory Mitchell is hereby reappointed for a second term to the Texas A&M University at Galveston Board of Visitors for a period of three years.

**MINUTE ORDER 209-2005 (AGENDA ITEM 38-D)**

**REAPPOINTMENT OF MS. KRIS ANNE VOGELPOHL  
TO THE TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY AT GALVESTON  
BOARD OF VISITORS,  
TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY**

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

Effective August 1, 2005, Ms. Kris Anne Vogelpohl is hereby reappointed for a second term to the Texas A&M University at Galveston Board of Visitors for a period of three years.

**MINUTE ORDER 210-2005 (AGENDA ITEM 38-E)**

**REAPPOINTMENT OF  
REAR ADMIRAL WILLIAM W. PICKAVANCE, JR. (US NAVY RETIRED)  
TO THE TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY AT GALVESTON  
BOARD OF VISITORS,  
TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY**

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

Effective August 1, 2005, Rear Admiral William W. Pickavance, Jr. (United States Navy Retired) is hereby reappointed for a second term to the Texas A&M University at Galveston Board of Visitors for a period of three years.

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Dr. McTeer presented Items 39 through 41. The Board took action as set forth below:

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**MINUTE ORDER 211-2005 (AGENDA ITEM 39)**

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

On motion of Mr. Nye, seconded by Dr. Gramm 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 of The Texas A&M University System hereby confirms the appointment and commissioning of peace officers by the Presidents of the respective components of The Texas A&M University System, as shown in **Revised Exhibit K**, a copy of which is attached to the official minutes.

*(Secretary's Note: Dr. McTeer said that the Exhibit to Item 39 should be amended to reflect that Mr. Robert C. Amboree's name should be removed from PVAMU's list because he is no longer an employee.)*

**MINUTE ORDER 212-2005 (AGENDA ITEM 40)**

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

On motion of Dr. Gramm, seconded by Mr. Nye 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 in **Exhibit L**, a copy of which is attached to the official minutes, Emeritus Title List No. 06-01, and grants all rights and privileges of this title.

**MINUTE ORDER 213-2005 (AGENDA ITEM 41)**

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

On motion of Mr. Nye, seconded by Dr. Gramm 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 (*Academic Freedom, Responsibility and Tenure*), hereby authorizes the granting of tenure to the following faculty members as set forth in **Exhibit M**, a copy of which is attached to the official minutes as Tenure List No. 06-01.

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Mr. White presented Item 42. The Board took action as set forth below:

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**MINUTE ORDER 214-2005 (AGENDA ITEM 42)**

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF THE  
SPECIAL EMERGENCY TELEPHONIC MEETING HELD  
ON JULY 14, 2005, AND THE REGULAR MEETING HELD  
ON JULY 21-22, 2005**

**BOARD OF REGENTS, THE TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY SYSTEM**

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

The Minutes of the July 14, 2005, Special Emergency Telephonic Meeting and the July 21-22, 2005, Regular Board Meeting held in College Station, Texas, are approved.

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Mr. White called on Dr. McTeer who presented Items 43 through 47. The Board took action as set forth below:

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**MINUTE ORDER 215-2005 (AGENDA ITEM 43)**

**ELIMINATION OF THE TITLE OF  
ASSOCIATE DIRECTOR WITHOUT CAUSE,  
TEXAS AGRICULTURAL EXPERIMENT STATION**

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

Effective September 1, 2005, the title of Associate Director of the Texas Agricultural Experiment Station was eliminated without cause from the current titles of Ronald D. Lacewell, L. Garry Adams, B. L. Harris, C. Allan Jones and Ronald R. Rosati.

**MINUTE ORDER 216-2005 (AGENDA ITEM 44)**

**APPOINTMENT OF  
DR. WILLIAM A. DUGAS  
AS ASSOCIATE DIRECTOR FOR OPERATIONS,  
TEXAS AGRICULTURAL EXPERIMENT STATION**

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

Effective September 1, 2005, Dr. William A. Dugas is hereby appointed Associate Director for Operations of the Texas Agricultural Experiment Station at an initial salary of \$165,000.

**MINUTE ORDER 217-2005 (AGENDA ITEM 45)**

**APPOINTMENT OF  
DR. JAMES A. NEEDHAM  
AS DEAN OF COMMUNITY OUTREACH,  
TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY-CORPUS CHRISTI**

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

Effective September 23, 2005, Dr. James A. Needham is hereby appointed Dean of Community Outreach at Texas A&M University-Corpus Christi, at an initial salary of \$85,000.

**MINUTE ORDER 218-2005 (AGENDA ITEM 46)**

**AUTHORIZATION FOR THE PRESIDENT TO EXECUTE EMPLOYMENT  
CONTRACT WITH THE HEAD WOMEN'S VOLLEYBALL COACH,  
TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY**

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

Authority is hereby granted, upon review for legal form and sufficiency by the Office of General Counsel, to the President of Texas A&M University to execute an Employment Contract with the following person:

Laurie Corbelli -- Head Women's Volleyball Coach.

**MINUTE ORDER 219-2005 (AGENDA ITEM 47)**

**AUTHORIZATION FOR THE PRESIDENT TO EXECUTE EMPLOYMENT  
CONTRACT WITH THE HEAD WOMEN'S BASKETBALL COACH,  
TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY**

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

Authority is hereby granted, upon review for legal form and sufficiency by the Office of General Counsel, to the President of Texas A&M University to execute an Amended Employment Contract with the following person:

Claude Gary Blair -- Head Women's Basketball Coach.

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Mr. White called on Mr. Jones, the System Athletic Liaison.

REPORT FROM THE SYSTEM ATHLETIC LIAISON

Mr. Jones, the System Athletic Liaison, reported that it was his goal to visit every school in the System. He said at each visit, he receives the school's sweatshirt. He said that the first meeting of the Athletic Liaison group was held in late August and all of the athletic directors were present by phone. Mr. Jones said that this first meeting was merely an introductory meeting to highlight to all of the athletic directors the importance of athletics. He said he wanted to be sure that the image of athletics that is portrayed to the public is consistent. He said that, quite frankly, unless an individual has either gone to a university or has a student, child or close relative attending a university, most of the exposure to the campus is through the athletic programs. He said that right or wrong, if your program is unblemished and successful it reflects positively on your institution. He said if it is unblemished and unsuccessful it is okay. It is really bad if it is blemished and unsuccessful. Mr. Jones said that he believes that this ultimately affects the quality of students you get and the financial commitments you receive from former students.

Mr. Jones said that he pointed out to all the athletic directors that his role was going to fall somewhere between benign neglect and invasive and irritating micromanagement. He said that he wanted to stay informed about what was happening with their athletic programs, provide assistance when they needed it, share information between the athletic directors of the institutions, whether it is affecting grades, increasing revenue, eliminating illegal or inappropriate behavior. Mr. Jones said that Mr. Bill Byrne, Athletic Director for Texas A&M, had come up with some ideas to share with the other athletic directors about ways to increase revenue. He said that this was a very positive, productive meeting.

Mr. Jones gave two examples of the positive results of the meeting. He said that when Hurricane Katrina hit and the Louisiana evacuees were occupied in the Houston Astrodome, he received a call from Mr. Charles McClelland, PVAMU Athletic Director, indicating that there was to be a Labor Day Classic game in Reliant Stadium, which is next door to the Astrodome. Mr. McClelland said that all parties involved did not feel it would be appropriate to have a football game in a location where there were evacuees just trying to hang on. He said that they got together and planned to move the game to Rice Stadium on a Sunday. Mr. Jones said that he notified Mr. White, Mr. Fraga and Mr. Stevens of the changes just in case they were contacted by the press. He said that it was this type of heads up notice that they were looking for from the athletic directors so that the Board would not learn about things in the newspaper. Mr. Jones said that when Hurricane Rita hit Texas, President Gates called to let the Board know that they were looking for alternatives for the Texas State game, discouraging people from out of town from attending, and having the game primarily for the students.

Mr. Jones said that he was looking forward to working with the athletic directors and said that he was available if there were any questions or suggestions.

OTHER BUSINESS

Mr. White announced that the next regular meeting of the Board would be held on December 1-2, 2005, on the campus of TSU, in Stephenville, Texas. He asked if there was any new business to come before the Board. There was none.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, Mr. White asked for a motion to adjourn. On motion of Dr. Gramm, seconded by Mr. Fraga and by a unanimous vote, the meeting was adjourned at 3:31 pm.

(Secretary's note: A meeting of the Committee on Audit convened in the Board of Regents' Meeting Room at 4:17 pm and adjourned at 5:05 pm.)

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

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