

MINUTES

SPECIAL MEETING OF THE

BOARD OF REGENTS

OF

THE TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY SYSTEM

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A special meeting of the Board of Regents of The Texas A&M University System was held at 10:40 a.m. on November 7, 1995, at the Lancaster Hotel, 701 Texas Avenue, Houston, Texas. The Chairman, Mary Nan West, called the meeting to order. All of the other Regents were present or absent as follows:

Present: Robert H. Allen, Alison Brisco, John H. Lindsey, Frederick D. McClure, T. Michael O'Connor, Don Powell, M. Guadalupe L. Rangel

Absent: Royce E. Wisenbaker

Item I

The first order of business was a statement by Chairman West that the meeting had been called pursuant to Chapter 2, Section 1 of the Board's Bylaws. As a special meeting of the Board, it was necessary to determine if a quorum of five members of the Board of Regents had requested it. The roll was taken and Regents Brisco, McClure, Rangel, Powell, Allen and O'Connor stated that they had requested the meeting. Regents West and Lindsey stated that they had not. The Chairman's opening statement is attached to the official minutes as **Exhibit A**.

Item II

The second order of business was the adoption of a resolution congratulating Texas A&M International University on its 25th Anniversary and the Phase I Dedication. The resolution was unanimously adopted.



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**ADOPTION OF RESOLUTION
CONGRATULATING TEXAS A&M INTERNATIONAL UNIVERSITY
ON ITS 25TH ANNIVERSARY
BOARD OF REGENTS
THE TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY SYSTEM**

Whereas, this day, the seventh day of November in the year nineteen hundred and ninety-five, commemorates and celebrates the 25th anniversary of Texas A&M International University; and

Whereas, the university was created as Texas A&I University at Laredo by mandate of the 61st Texas Legislature in 1969; became Laredo State University in 1977; joined The Texas A&M University System in 1989; and became Texas A&M International University in September 1993; and

Whereas, the university has offered students in the South Texas region a quality education since the doors opened in 1970; and

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Whereas, Texas A&M International University has achieved great strides in the last year, becoming a four-year university and opening Texas' first and most technologically advanced new campus in 25 years; and

Whereas, Texas A&M International University is a vibrant, growing center of education in South Texas, with an institutional mission that is responsive to the educational, public service and research needs of its local, regional and international constituencies; and

Whereas, The Texas A&M University System sincerely appreciates the determined leadership and support the university has received over the past 25 years from the citizens and elected officials of Laredo and Webb Counties; the Texas legislative leadership; public school and community college leaders; the students, faculty and staff of the university; private donors; and numerous other supporters throughout the state; and

Whereas, The Texas A&M University System is proud to be a part of this celebration and remains steadfastly united in its enduring commitment to the continued growth and development of this fine university; now therefore be it

Resolved, that this resolution be spread upon the minutes and official copies thereof be signed by the Chairman of the Board of Regents and be presented to Dr. Leo Sayavedra, President of Texas A&M International University, during the university's 25th anniversary celebration and to the Archives of Texas A&M International University in recognition of this historic moment and celebration of higher education in Texas.



Item III

The third order of business concerned a discussion of the operating procedures of the Board. No action was taken.

The Board discussed the timing, structure and location of Board meetings and the cost and logistical considerations of moving them around the System, as well as, the manner in which the Board receives information, and the responsibilities of the Board as defined by State statute.

Item IV

The fourth order of business was the committee structure and the development of Board agenda. No action was taken.

The Board discussed the manner in which the Board agenda is developed, the role of committees in the process and how the process can be improved.

Item V

The fifth order of business was a discussion of the role of the Board. No action was taken.

The Board discussed the kinds of issues where the Board should be proactive, and issues that should be appropriately resolved by administrators or staff. This will be an ongoing discussion for future Board meetings.

Adjournment

At 5:00 p.m., the meeting was adjourned.

Alison Brisco

Frederick D. McClure