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A special meeting of the Board of Regents of The Texas A&M University System, was convened by Mr. Don Powell, Chairman of the Board of Regents, at 1:05 p.m., on Friday, November 13, 1998, in the Board of Regents Meeting Room, on the campus of Texas A&M University, College Station, Texas.

The following members of the Board were present:

Mr. Don Powell, Chairman
Mr. T. Michael O'Connor, Vice Chairman
Mr. Robert H. Allen
Dr. Dionel Avilés
Mr. John H. Lindsey
Mr. Frederick D. McClure

The following members of the Board were not present:

Ms. Anne Armstrong
Mr. Erle Nye
Ms. M. Guadalupe L. Rangel

The following former members of the Board were present:

Mr. John Blocker
Mr. Bill Clayton
Mr. David G. Eller
Mr. Raul B. Fernandez
Mr. Ross D. Margraves, Jr.

Mr. Powell announced that the purpose of the meeting was to receive reports from officers of the System and to name the north end zone of Kyle Field at Texas A&M University (TAMU). Dr. Barry B. Thompson, Chancellor, presented an overview of the System. Dr. Stanton Calvert, Vice Chancellor for State and Public Affairs, presented a legislative update.

Mr. Powell recessed the meeting at 2:35 p.m. and reconvened the meeting at 2:50 p.m.

Ms. Terri Parker, Director of System Communication, presented information on the System Website. Dr. Charles Lee, Vice Chancellor for Research, Planning and Continuing Education, presented information regarding criteria for System expansion. Gen. Wesley E. Peel, Vice Chancellor for Facilities Planning and Construction, discussed System building projects.

Mr. Powell called on Dr. Bowen to present the agenda item to be approved. Dr. Bowen said Mr. Bernard C. Richardson '41, from Houston, had

committed a \$6 million gift to the TAMU Athletic Department, a gift of cash and property. Mr. Wally Groff, Athletic Director of TAMU, said they were very pleased to receive this gift and thanked Mr. John David Crow, Director of Development for Athletics, for his assistance in obtaining this gift.

Mr. Allen asked how much of the \$6 million was assured in cash. Dr. Bowen answered the cash was \$2 million and the value of the land was \$4 million (this amount could be more). Mr. O'Connor asked if this item named part of the expansion. Dr. Bowen said approval would name the entire end zone at Kyle Field.

The Board took action as set forth below:

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**(MINUTE ORDER 215-98)**

**NAMING OF THE  
BERNARD C. RICHARDSON ZONE AT KYLE FIELD  
TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY**

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

The North End Zone Expansion of Kyle Field at Texas A&M University is hereby named the “Bernard C. Richardson Zone at Kyle Field.”

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Dr. Ray M. Bowen, President of TAMU, gave an overview of the university.

(Secretary’s Note: Copies of the handouts from the reports received by the Board and Former Regents are on file in the Office of the Board of Regents.)

Mr. O'Connor presented an update on the “Regent Ring.” He said this ring would only be eligible for members that have rotated off the Board, current members would not be eligible. Mr. O'Connor suggested that former members of the Board contact Ms. Vickie Burt, Executive Secretary to the Board, for ordering.

Mr. Allen gave a brief report on compensation for faculty. He said the mission of the System was to get “the best of the best” students and faculty. He said “additional compensation” would be an incentive for faculty. There would be a study done by an independent agency and a report would be given at the next Board meeting.

Mr. Powell reported that the Board had awarded Korn/Ferry International the task of selecting candidates for the position of Chancellor of TAMUS and said if anyone had names to be submitted, to contact Korn/Ferry.

There being no further business, Mr. Powell adjourned the special meeting of the Board at 4:35 p.m., the same day.

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

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