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MINUTES

Special Called Meeting of the

BOARD OF REGENTS
TYLER STATE COLLEGE

Held in the Pine Room of the Blackstone Hotel
Tyler, Texas

December 15, 1971

The Board of Regents, Tyler State College, convened at 2:00 P.M. with the following members present: Chairman H. J. McKenzie, Presiding; Mr. C. Quentin Abernathy, Mr. David K. McKie, Mr. Dean W. Turner, Mr. Jeff Austin, Jr., Mr. Neal E. Velvin, Mr. Jack C. Morgan, and Dr. B. H. McVicker. One member, Mr. Robert G. Schleier, was not in attendance.

Visitors registered in attendance were:

Ms. Belinda Germany	Tyler, Texas
Representative John Hannah	Lufkin, Texas
Mr. Harry Loftis	Tyler, Texas
Dr. George Culbertson	Lufkin, Texas
Mrs. Dorothy Smith	Tyler, Texas
Mr. Harold Smotherman	Tyler, Texas

The special meeting of the Board of Regents, Tyler State College, was called to order by Chairman H. J. McKenzie. In the absence of the Secretary, Robert G. Schleier, Mrs. Dorothy Smith, of the staff of the Tyler Chamber of Commerce, would record the activities of the meeting.

The invocation was offered by C. Quentin Abernathy.

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ITEM 1: APPROVAL OF MINUTES, SPECIAL MEETING, NOVEMBER
17, 1971

On motion by Jeff Austin, Jr., seconded by Dr. B. H. McVicker, the Board approved the minutes of the meeting November 17, 1971, as submitted. The Chairman stated that the permanent records of the Board were available for inspection in the Board's office.

ITEM 2: APPROVAL OF AGENDA

On motion of Dr. McVicker, seconded by Mr. McKie, the agenda previously submitted to the Secretary of State was approved.

ITEM 3: SITE COMMITTEE REPORT

Mr. Neal Velvin, Chairman of the Site Selection Committee, reported that the Site Committee had met on two different occasions with the representatives of the East Texas Chapters of the American Institute of Architects and Texas Society of Professional Engineers in connection with the study and evaluation of some twelve 200-acre sites. He stated that they were taking twelve to fourteen different items in consideration in site evaluation and had mailed to him an interim report. Mr. Velvin stated that the Committee was continuing its evaluation and hoped to have a further report by the next meeting.

ITEM 4: TEMPORARY FACILITIES REPORT

In the absence of Robert Schleier, Chairman of the Committee appointed to determine availability of temporary facilities for commencing the college in the Fall of 1972, Mr. McKenzie called on Quentin Abernathy, Committee Member. Mr. Abernathy expressed the Board's appreciation to the Tyler Chamber of Commerce Education Committee, its Chairman Harry Loftis, and its Subcommittee Chairman Harold Smotherman. He stated the Committee had met with members of the Tyler Chamber's Education Committee and had inspected Caldwell School, the old John Tyler High School on November 29, 1971, and Roberts School on November 30, 1971. Mr. Quentin Abernathy pointed out that Roberts had been ready for opening in August of 1970 and was in

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excellent condition. That the Committee had reviewed the costs of converting the athletic field into a parking area and the feasibility of air conditioning of the building. He reviewed letters received by Chairman McKenzie from Mr. Jim Plyler, Superintendent, Tyler Public Schools, offering Roberts Junior High School building for the temporary location of the college, a letter from O. C. Land, of Reynolds-Land, Inc., estimating the cost of converting the athletic field to a parking area for approximately \$6,500.00, copy of letter from E. M. McFarland, Business Manager of Tyler Public Schools, containing cost estimates for placing Roberts in operating condition, which were received by the Board and ordered attached to these minutes by Chairman McKenzie. Chairman McKenzie indicated that an additional \$50,000.00 would be required for central air conditioning and efforts were being made to determine the possibilities of moving portions of the equipment to the permanent facilities when constructed.

To determine space and facility needs, Chairman McKenzie explained that various members of the Board had met with the Presidents of Tyler Junior College, Kilgore Junior College, Henderson County Junior College, Lon Morris College and Jacksonville Baptist College. Each of the Presidents of these institutions had been enthusiastic in their support of the new college and had agreed to and did circulate questionnaires to their graduating sophomores to determine interest in attendance at Tyler State College in the Fall of 1972 and the curriculum desired. The responses, though incomplete, were gratifying and each of the junior college presidents expressed their willingness to support Tyler State College and each had indicated that air conditioning was, in their respective opinions, necessary.

Chairman McKenzie stated that plans were in process to visit Angelina Junior College, Panola County Junior College, and other junior colleges in the area.

ITEM 5: APPOINTMENT, FUND RAISING COMMITTEE

The Chairman appointed Dr. B. H. McVicker as Chairman of the Fund Raising Committee and Mr. McKie, Mr. Morgan and Mr. Austin to serve with him on the committee. They were asked to take into con-

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sideration the fact that no funds had been appropriated, and hence to determine the funds necessary for personnel for the opening of the college in the Fall of 1972.

ITEM 6: REPORT, LAW COMMITTEE, EMPLOYMENT REQUIREMENTS

Mr. Turner, Chairman of the Law Committee, reported that he had reviewed the situation and in his opinion the Board would be required to pay social security, retirement benefits, etc. for any employees of the college.

ITEM 7: REPORT OF THE PERSONNEL COMMITTEE

Mr. Austin, Chairman of the Personnel Committee, reported that he had been contacted by a number of people expressing an interest in employment by the college, had mailed inquiries to persons recommended by area educators for various positions, and had received replies evidencing interest. Since the Board does not have a legislative appropriation, further action on the employment of permanent personnel had been deferred subject to the Board's consideration.

Temporary services and personnel were then discussed. Mr. McKenzie stated that the Executive Committee of the Tyler Chamber of Commerce had expressed its willingness to contract for services of its staff to meet the temporary needs of Tyler State College.

On motion by Dr. McVicker, seconded by Mr. McKie and unanimously approved, the Board authorized the Chairman to enter into an agreement for contract services with the Tyler Chamber of Commerce. The Chairman then asked Mr. Turner to draft a letter agreement therefor.

Temporary personnel was then discussed, and upon motion by Dr. McVicker, seconded by Mr. Morgan, and unanimously carried, the following resolution was adopted:

RESOLVED: That the Chairman, H. J. McKenzie, with the approval of the majority of the Board of Regents of Tyler State College, be authorized to employ

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on a per diem basis such personnel as they deem necessary and expedient to advance the cause of Tyler State College and the policies set out by the Board of Regents. Employment costs shall never be incurred without funds or a commitment to pay such funds by a donor or donors for such purpose. Such person shall not have the power to bind or speak for the Board of Regents without specific resolution of the Board to that effect.

ITEM 8: GIFTS, DONATIONS AND ACCOUNT

Chairman McKenzie stated that the Board now has \$1,750.00 on deposit in the Peoples National Bank in an account entitled "Tyler Chamber of Commerce - Tyler State College". All checks drawn on the account were to be signed by him as Chairman or Mr. Morgan as Vice Chairman, together with Freeman Carney, Executive Vice President, Tyler Chamber of Commerce, after approval of bills by the Board.

ITEM 9: REQUEST, EAST TEXAS CHEST HOSPITAL

Chairman McKenzie stated that Dr. George Hurst, the head of the East Texas Chest Hospital, had called at his office and offered to assist and work with Tyler State College and called attention to House Bill 799 which designates the hospital as the agency to conduct research, develop techniques and procedures, provide training and teaching, directly or with contracts with other state agencies, in connection with all chest diseases. Dr. Hurst had stated that the East Texas Chest Hospital had indicated its willingness to work with and coordinate their efforts with the college.

ITEM 10: SUBSEQUENT MEETINGS

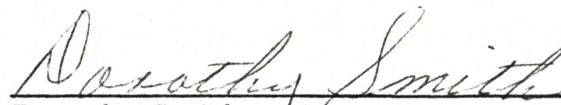
The next special meeting of the Board of Regents, subject to call by the Chairman, will be at 2:00 P.M., Wednesday, January 12, 1972.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to come before the Board, on

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motion by Mr. Morgan, seconded by Mr. Abernathy, the meeting was adjourned at approximately 3:30 P. M.


Dorothy Smith
Acting Secretary


H. J. McKenzie
Chairman