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## CONSTRUCTION BID DEADLINE IS RESET

Bidding deadline for construction bids on Phase I buildings was extended until Sept. 4, 1974 by action of the board of regents at a called meeting on July 24.

The bidding date, originally set for July 31, was changed by the board to give general contractors sufficient time to submit bids.

Some 15 to 20 general contractors were included in a survey two weeks ago to help determine the best bid date. It was learned that the contractors needed more time than was anticipated because suppliers are taking longer to figure costs.

The regents felt that by giving the general contractors more time, better prepared bids will be received and possibly more bids will be submitted.

At the meeting the board also authorized the architects to simplify the bid form that contractors must submit.

The board also approved the inclusion of an exterior wall system for Phase I buildings as one of the alternates to be bid upon.

## STEWART & SAWYER REPORT ON BIENNIAL REQUEST HEARING

President Stewart and Vice President Sawyer have reported that the 1975-77 biennial budget request hearing which they attended on July 19 was very successful.

The hearing was conducted by the Governor's Budget Office, the Legislative Budget Board and the Coordinating Board at the University of Texas at Arlington campus.

Dr. Stewart remarked that the seven staff members from the three agencies mentioned above were interested in the TSC report. In fact, he said, "Staff members were not only interested and enthusiastic about TSC's program, they highly complimented the efforts of Tyler State to this point and felt the request was well prepared and well presented."

He also reported that there was a great deal of excitement among the staff members pursuant to TSC's School of Technical and Vocational Studies. The group was interested in Tyler State's new nursing degree, various programs in the allied health areas such as medical technology, inhalation therapy, radiology and TSC's plans for other areas in the allied health field. They were also interested in the development of other programs related to the improvement of various vocational areas such as law enforcement and computer science.

Vice President Sawyer said, "The staff members understood fully why TSC needed to continue its efforts to build the campus in order to continue its growth in our academic programs."

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(biennial request hearing con't.)

He said the discussion pertaining to our facilities program was received very well by the staff members and the members were also conversant with the general trend of increased prices for the cost of construction.

As the zero-base concept necessitates, the submission was made in two levels.

Level I request totaled \$23,899,964, including \$3,447,459 for 1976 operating expenses, \$4,662,265 for 1977 operating expenses, and \$15,790,240 for 1976 facilities construction with the unexpended balance carried forward for 1977.

Level II request reflects \$4,542,434 for 1976 operating expenses, \$4,870,169 for 1977 operating expenses, and \$18,609,383 for 1976 facilities construction with the unexpended balance carried forward for 1977, making the total \$29,021,986.

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### JUST A REMINDER !

Aug. 5 — All 1975-1976 Catalog Questionnaires must be returned to the Public Information Office.

Oct. 1 — All copy for the 1975-1976 catalog should be turned in to the Public Information Office.

## EVALUATION COMMITTEE TO VISIT TSC

An evaluation committee from the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools will be on the Tyler State campus Sept. 10-13.

The committee will judge how well TSC meets the standard requirements of the College Delegate Assembly.

The Commission of Colleges reviews the reports and recommendations of the evaluation committee before granting accreditation.

Visiting committee members who will evaluate TSC include: Chairman Dr. Richard Barbe, dean of the graduate school of Georgia State University; Dr. James A. Bowser, director of industrial education at Norfolk State College, Virginia; Andrew Farkas, director of libraries at the University of North Florida.

Others will be Dr. Benjamin Graves, president of the University of Alabama in Huntsville; Dr. Jesse C. Lewis, division chairman of natural sciences at Jackson State College, Mississippi; Dr. Clifford Lovin, professor of history at Western Carolina University in North Carolina; Dr. Jerry Wilder, associate professor of physical education at Western Kentucky University; and H. Evan Zeiger, vice president for financial affairs at Samford University in Birmingham, Ala.

The Southern Association of Colleges and Schools conferred candidate for accreditation status to Tyler State last December.

It is anticipated that TSC will receive full accreditation at the December meeting of the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools.



## SELF-STUDY HAS BEEN COMPLETED

According to Dr. Frank Smyrl, coordinator of the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools Self-Study Report for TSC, the self-study report has been typed and is in the process of being proofread.

Dr. Smyrl continued, "The report will be printed and assembled next week. If everything goes according to plans, it should be in the mail by the deadline, Aug. 17."

He also mentioned that Dr. Richard Barbe, chairman of the evaluation committee which will be visiting TSC Sept. 10-13, will make a preliminary visit to the TSC campus on Aug. 27.

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## NEW FORUM DUE AUG. 15

The Public Information Office has sent the copy of the next issue of The Forum, a quarterly publication of TSC, to the printer. It is anticipated that it will be distributed by Aug. 15.

A new format is being used for The Forum this quarter. It will be printed on 8½ x 11" paper and will consist of 12 pages.

The Public Information Office always welcomes any type of news of institutional interest for publication in The Forum.

# NOTES FROM THE BUSINESS OFFICE

## Purchasing Deadline

Aug. 16 will be the last day that requisitions for contract supplies and equipment against current year budgets will be accepted for processing. Charges for services will be charged against current funds until Aug. 31, 1974.

## Payroll Schedule

To avoid confusion about when payroll checks will be available, the following schedule is and has been in effect:

Monthly employees-----Last working day  
(faculty/staff) of month

Hourly employees-----Third working day  
(institutional or of succeeding  
auxiliary enterprise) month

Work/Study employees-----Tenth of succeed-  
ing month or last  
working day pre-  
ceding

All information relating to employment of new people, terminations, changes in salary, etc. must be received in the Business Office by the 15th of the month for monthly employees and the 30th of the month for all other employees in order to be placed on that month's payroll.

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