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Memorandum Concerning a Texas Eastern University Coliseum

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MEMORANDUM

To: Mr. John R. Sawyer
   Vice President for Fiscal Affairs

From: L. J. Grubbs, P.E.
      Director of Physical Plant and Resident Engineer

Subject: T. E. U. Coliseum

On several occasions the general subject of planning/constructing a coliseum for Texas Eastern University has been discussed. In one of our general discussions, the question was generated as to space requirements and construction costs. However, prior to calculating space requirements, which ultimately leads to construction and equipment costs, certain function and/or program requirements should be defined. As a minimum, the following items should be defined by the Administration:

1. Functions:
   a. Basketball
   b. Graduation
   c. Continuing Education Programs
   d. Swimming (indoor and/or exterior-attached)
   e. Theatrical Events
   f. Weight lifting
   g. Handball

2. Saunas

3. Training Rooms

4. Varsity/visitor dressing rooms (men & women)

5. H&PE faculty/staff offices

6. Ticket sales and/or business office

7. Lettermen's Lounge

8. Institutional Trophy area
9. Film rooms

10. Exercise rooms (physical education & general)

As you know, there are other functions and support services that could be included in a coliseum. Also, of prime consideration is the type seating (fixed, bench, retractable, etc.) to be used. At any rate, I feel we should meet with Drs. Stewart, Anthony, Morris, and McCoy to discuss and define the functions/programs and establish (to some extent) the size of the facility.

Therefore, the purpose of this memorandum is to request a meeting with the above staff and faculty and to advise that this office will hold in abeyance a cost analysis until such time as a general function/program definition can be established.

LJG/at

cc: Dr. James H. Stewart, Jr.
    Dr. D. M. Anthony
    Dr. Gerald Morris