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PRESIDENT'S REPORT AND RECOMMENDATIONS  
Board of Regents Meeting  
3:00 p.m., February 26, 1975

1. Vacancy Created by the Resignation of the Vice President for Academic Affairs

In approaching the task of filling the vacancy of the office of vice president for academic affairs created by the resignation of Dr. Bill L. Turney, it was my desire and goal to seek the advice and counsel of the Tyler State College community. In order to accomplish this goal, I appointed a representative advisory committee on February 6, 1975 to serve in the capacity of working with me in the important task of developing criteria upon which to evaluate candidates who express interest in the vice president for academic affairs position and to continue working with me throughout the period of time required to name an individual to join Tyler State College as our academic vice president.

The following advisory committee was appointed and each willingly accepted his responsibility to serve the institution:

- . Dr. J. Paxton Hart, Jr., president of the Faculty Senate
- . Glenn D. Phillips, president of the Student Government Association
- . Dr. George Joyce, selected by the Dean's Council to represent that group
- . Dr. Gerald L. Morris, interim vice president for academic affairs
- . John R. Sawyer, vice president for fiscal affairs

Also, on February 6, 1975, I appointed Dr. Gerald L. Morris to serve as interim vice president for academic affairs effective March 1, 1975. This action is in accordance with my report to the Board on February 5, 1975.

The advisory committee met on Friday, February 7, and Monday, February 10, to prepare an information sheet on the office of the vice president for academic affairs. A copy of the information sheet is attached as Attachment A.

The committee proposed that a letter be sent to the various state commissions on higher education announcing the vacancy at Tyler State College. It was felt that this procedure

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would reach a greater number of interested and qualified people than any other approach. These letters were mailed February 14, 1975.

2. Proposed Name Change for the School of Technical and Vocational Studies

At the February 5, 1975 Board meeting I reported to the Academic and Personnel Committee the recommendation that the name of our School of Technical and Vocational Studies be changed to the School of Technology and Applied Studies. This name will be more consistent with the terminology utilized for this area of academic endeavor by other institutions of higher learning. Therefore, it can be concluded that this name will be more appropriate and thus enhance communications about programs within the School to prospective students. This name change does not involve any modifications with the organizational structure of the School.

As reported to Regent Jeff Austin, Jr. and the Academic and Personnel Committee, this matter has been reviewed by the Coordinating Board, Texas College and University System staff and such change would meet with their approval. It would be highly desirable to have this recommendation ratified by the Board of Regents in order that we can begin using the new name.

3. Spur 248 Improvement

On Tuesday, February 18, 1975, the Tyler City Commission approved a resolution declaring the widening and paving of Spur 248 to be high priority under the 1975-76 Federal Aid Urban System Program. The work will be done by the Texas Highway Department.

A Texas Highway Department representative stated he visualizes widening the present two-lane road to four lanes with curb and gutter. He further stated the city would be required to pay for any additional right-of-way needed plus storm sewer and curb and gutter.

The action taken by the Tyler City Commission, working with the Texas Highway Department, is the necessary action which the Texas Highway Commission had informed us must be taken in order for the State of Texas to begin work on this project.

4. Report on Contract Change No. 2

As requested by the Board of Regents at the February 5, 1975 meeting, Mr. L. J. Grubbs has developed a complete report relative to Contract Change No. 2. This report is included as Attachment B.