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AGENDA BOARD OF REGENTS MEETING TEXAS EASTERN UNIVERSITY

2:00 p.m., March 28, 1979

I. Invocation -

TII.

II. Approval of Minutes, March 14, 1979

REPORT: In order to provide members of the Board of Regents with a copy of this agenda seven days in advance of the meeting, a mailing deadline of March 20, 1979 is necessitated thereby preventing the completion of the minutes of the March 14, 1979 Board of Regents meeting being prepared in time for enclosure by the mailing deadline. Copies of the minutes will be prepared by the March 28, 1979 Board of Regents meeting.

Motion:
Second:
BOARD ACTION: Appropriate action will be taken upon consideration of this matter. (approved) (disapproved)
Approval of Agenda
REPORT: Each of you was furnished a copy of the notice

REPORT: Each of you was furnished a copy of the notice sent to the Secretary of State in accordance with state law, advising him of this meeting and furnishing him a copy of the items to be considered today. Is there a motion to approve the agenda?

Motion:		
Second:		

BOARD ACTION: That the agenda of the Board of Regents meeting as presented to the Secretary of State pursuant to state law be approved.

(approved) (disapproved)

- IV. Report of Standing Committees
 - A. Executive Committee Chairman David K. McKie

REPORT: Consideration will be given to legislation introduced in the Texas Senate and House of Representatives, i.e., S.B. 906 and H.B. 1706, which would

	transfer Texas Eastern University to the University of Texas System.
	Motion:
	Second:
	BOARD ACTION: Appropriate action will be taken upon consideration of this matter. (approved) (disapproved)
В.	Academic and Personnel Committee - Regent B. H. McVicker, M.D.
	REPORT: If required, a report will be given by the committee relative to academic and personnel matters.
	Motion:
	Second:
	BOARD ACTION: Appropriate action will be taken upon consideration of any recommendations by the Academic and Personnel Committee. (approved) (disapproved)
C.	Campus and Building Committee - Regent H. J. McKenzie
	1. Contract Revision No. 54, Phase II Construction
	REPORT: Contract Revision No. 54 provides for installation of plumbing equipment including a three-inch sanitary drain, roof vent, hot and cold domestic water and a mop sink for the janitor's closet in Room 201 of the Business Administration Building. The institutional Program of Requirements and floor plans for the building specified such equipment; however, the specification was omitted in the mechanical/plumbing plans. Geren Associates Architects Engineers Planners have reviewed the contractor's proposal for the extra work and recommended that the proposals be accepted in the amount of \$3,728. The Campus and Building Committee will make a report and recommendation concerning contract Revision No. 54.
	Motion:
	Second:
	BOARD ACTION: Appropriate action will be taken upon consideration of the report and recommendation of the Campus and Building Committee. (approved) (disapproved)

2. Contract Revision No. 8, Library (Part A) Construction

REPORT: Contract Revision No. 8 provides for the relocation of the storm sewer inlet from the driveway north of the library building to a point further north in order to accommodate a planned future addition to the building, an increase in the diameter and decrease in the length of the storm drain pipe to the lake, an increase in the size of the retaining wall on the west side of the driveway and the addition of steps to the walk leading north from the northwest corner of the building. The relocation of the storm drain pipe will necessitate certain grade changes on the north side of the building to assure a slope away from the building. Geren Associates Architects Engineers Planners have reviewed the contractor's proposal for the extra work and recommend that the proposal be accepted in the amount of \$5,626.

Motion:		
Second:	 	

BOARD ACTION: Appropriate action will be taken upon consideration of the report and recommendation of the Campus and Building Committee. (approved) (disapproved)

- D. Finance and Appropriations Committee Regent C. Quentin Abernathy
- E. Legal Committee Regent Dean W. Turner
- V. Report of Special Committees
- VI. Unfinished Business
- VII. New Business
- VIII. Adjournment

Motion:_		
Second:_		
Time:		

MINUTES

Special Called Meeting

BOARD OF REGENTS
TEXAS EASTERN UNIVERSITY

Held on the Campus of
Texas Eastern University
March 28, 1979

The Board of Regents, Texas Eastern University, convened at 2:00 p.m., March 28, 1979 with nine members present: Chairman David K. McKie, C. Quentin Abernathy, Jeff Austin, Jr., Otis T. Dunagan, Gene W. Hightower, D.D.S., H. J. McKenzie, B. H. McVicker, M.D., Robert M. Nall and Dean W. Turner.

Also present were James H. Stewart, Jr., President; Donald W. Whisenhunt, Vice President for Academic Affairs; John R. Sawyer, Vice President for Fiscal Affairs; L. J. Grubbs, Director of Physical Plant and Resident Engineer; J. Archie Whitfield, Director of the Office of Public Information; and Rosemarie Cross, Secretary to the President.

Others in attendance were Harry Loftis, legal counsel for the TEU Educational Foundation, Inc.; Henry M. Bell, Jr., B. G. Hartley, Lemuel C. Hutchins, Will Mann Richardson, Isadore Roosth, Dr. Jim M. Vaughn and Royce E. Wisenbaker of the TEU Educational Foundation, Inc.; Jim Arnold, Freeman Carney and Tom Jordan of the Tyler Area Chamber of Commerce; Earl Kaatz of Geren Associates Architects Engineers Planners; Terry L. Busson, Stephen E. Daniels, Vincent J. Falzone, J. Paxton Hart, Jr., Gerald L. Morris, F. Lannom Smith and John H. Spurgin, TEU faculty members; Ben Ferrell, TEU staff member; Charles Angelico, Cathy Copeland, Barbara Entwistle, John Hitt, Joel Nissen and Mary Rosebrock, TEU students; Dennis Chartier, TEU graduate; David Hudson, TJC faculty member; Dot Adkins of the Tyler Morning Telegraph; Mike Edwards of Radio Station KTBB; Steve Knowles and Ellen Renfro of the Texas Eastern Patriot; Gail Leach of Television Station KLTV; and George Hall, Jonelle Pollard and Wade Ridley.

The meeting was called to order by Chairman David K. McKie.

INVOCATION

ITEM I.

Regent Turner brought the invocation for the opening of the meeting of the Board of Regents of Texas Eastern University.

ITEM II.

ANNOUNCEMENT OF EXECUTIVE SESSION

The chairman announced that it would be necessary later in the meeting to call an executive session as authorized under Article 6252-17, Section 2, paragraphs (f) and (g) Vernon's Texas Civil Statutes.

ITEM III.

APPROVAL OF MARCH 14, 1979 MINUTES

The chairman announced that the minutes of the March 14, 1979 meeting of the Board of Regents had been distributed at the beginning of the meeting and, therefore, would be passed over until the next meeting in order to give members time to review and study the contents.

ITEM IV.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Regent McKenzie moved that the agenda be approved, but that the record show an open discussion on S.B. 906 and H.B. 1706 was not held at the Board of Regents meeting on March 14, 1979 because there was not a unanimous vote by the board to amend the agenda of that meeting. Regent Turner seconded the motion that the agenda be approved. Motion carried unanimously.

ITEM V.

COMMITTEE ASSIGNMENTS AND ELECTION OF VICE PRESIDENT OF THE BOARD OF REGENTS

The chairman announced appointments to board committees to fill the vacancies created by the out-going members of the board. In accordance with Article III, Section 3.3 of the Bylaws of the Board of Regents, the chairman also asked for nominations for the office of vice chairman of the board vacated by the end of the term of Neal E. Velvin as regent. Regent McKenzie nominated Regent Turner for the office of vice chairman. Regent Austin seconded the motion and moved that nominations cease. Motion carried unanimously.

Present board committees are as follows:

Executive Committee: David K. McKie, chairman; Dean W. Turner, vice chairman; Jeff Austin, Jr. and B. H. McVicker, M.D.

Academic and Personnel Committee: B. H. McVicker, M.D., chairman; Jeff Austin, Jr., vice chairman; and Gene W. Hightower, D.D.S.

Campus and Building Committee: H. J. McKenzie, chairman; C. Quentin Abernathy, vice chairman; and Robert M. Nall

Finance and Appropriations Committee: C. Quentin Abernathy, chairman; Jeff Austin, Jr., vice chairman; and B. H. McVicker, M.D.

Legal Committee: Dean W. Turner, chairman; and Otis T. Dunagan, vice chairman

Special Committees - Gifts and Scholarships: H. J. McKenzie, chairman; C. Quentin Abernathy, vice chairman; Jeff Austin, Jr.; David K. McKie; B. H. McVicker, M.D.; Otis T. Dunagan; Robert M. Nall; Dean W. Turner and Gene W. Hightower, D.D.S.

In accordance with the Bylaws of the Board of Regents, Article IV, Section 4.7, empowering the chairman to create special committees, the chairman appointed Regent McKenzie as chairman, Regent McVicker, M.D., and Regent Abernathy to serve as a Nominating Committee and recommend officers for the 1979-80 term. Committee recommendations will be reported at the April 4, 1979 Board of Regents meeting.

TRANSFER OF INSTITUTION TO THE UNIVERSITY OF TEXAS SYSTEM

The chairman invited all board members to offer appropriate presentations or discussions concerning the matter of transfer of Texas Eastern University to The University of Texas System.

Regent McKenzie gave a brief history of Texas Eastern noting enrollments attained and projected and cited the following reasons for the predicted decrease in enrollments across the nation:

- 1. Drop in birth rate affecting the college-age group
- 2. GI students funded by the government being discontinued
- 3. Reduction in government loans being made to students and the inability or refusal on the part of the students to pay back the loans
- 4. The hundreds of community/junior colleges that have been built all over the country that are causing loss to the upper level colleges or four-year colleges
- 5. Economic conditions coupled with students taking special technical courses, paramedical, drafting, surveying, etc. and obtaining good-paying jobs without getting a degree
- 6. More upper level colleges, as well as four-year colleges, than we have students wanting to go more than two years
- 7. Less demand for the graduates with degrees and many of the teaching degrees which we now offer
- 8. Inflating enrollment figures makes for inflated budgets and for over building--and at a time when, with tax revolt and reduced spending, it is most difficult to get appropriations from general funds

Regent McKenzie concluded with the following statement: "I am highly in favor of The University of Texas taking over Texas Eastern University as described in S.B. 906 and for the following reasons: (1) In my opinion it will offer more prestige from a degree standpoint. (2) It will increase enrollment to fill

surplus space we have. (3) Get funds from The Texas University System that we cannot get from general tax funds. (4) Build a better university instead of letting ours ultimately be shut down for lack of students. (5) Operate more economically and efficiently and offer a more diversified program."

Regent Hightower discussed the three main reasons given by Regent McKenzie for the transfer; namely, increased enrollment, money availability and prestige. He stated that, in his opinion, changing the institutional name from Texas Eastern University to The University of Texas at Tyler would result in no more than a 5 percent increase in enrollment, that additional funds would not be available to the proposed University of Texas at Tyler since funding is appropriated by the legislature according to semester hours taught and since money from The University of Texas permanent fund would not be available to our institution if it were under The University of Texas System and, finally, that the reputation presently being established by the quality education provided by the TEU faculty and by the performance records of TEU graduates will result in prestige for our institution. In speaking against the transfer to The University of Texas System, Regent Hightower cited the transfer of control of the local institution from the people of East Texas to Austin and the mistaken belief that the transfer would result in increased enrollment. He suggested that more time and money be spent on public relations and recruitment in order to gain additional students and that instead of passing our problems on to another institution for solutions, we work out our own problems and find our own solutions.

Regent Abernathy agreed that the name of The University of Texas at Tyler would bring more prestige than Texas Eastern University, but not that the transfer would mean the increase in enrollment that had been stated. He stated that students would appreciate having a degree from The University of Texas at Tyler more than Texas Eastern University as a "door-opener," but that they would not receive the quality education that they would under the TEU Board of Regents, administration and faculty. Moreover, Regent Abernathy stated that this merger would result in increased cost in operating the university and thus an increased burden on the taxpayers of Texas. According to figures presently before the legislature, the Legislative Budget Board has recommended an appropriation of \$9,960,596 for TEU during the 1980-81 biennium based on the Fall Semester 1978 enrollment of 1938. This represents a cost of \$5,139 per student for the biennium, or \$2,570 per student per year. Regent Abernathy then compared similar appropriation recommendations and costs per student at institutions under The UT System:

	Recommended	Cost per	
	Biennial	Fall 1978	Student
Institution	Appropriation	Enrollment	(Two Years)
Texas Eastern University	\$ 9,970,596	1938	\$5,139
UT Permian Basin (upper level)	10,785,747	1602	6,732
UT Dallas (upper level)	37,669,525	5378	7,022
UT San Antonio (four year)	37,580,167	8885	4,170

Regent Abernathy stated that it was his personal feeling that the legislature was unwise in its decision not to provide separate governing boards, as recommended by the Coordinating Board, for UT Permian Basin, UT San Antonio and UT Dallas when they were originated in 1969. In his opinion this would have prevented the excess expenditures on annual budgets. "I challenge anyone to look at this university's budgets, appropriations requests or any financial matter and see where the UT System can operate more economically than this university has since its existence," said Regent Abernathy. "I take issue personally with those that say The UT System can build a better university instead of letting ours ultimately be shut down. The worst thing that can happen is to publicize a statement such as that."

In summing up, Regent Abernathy cited a recent Coordinating Board report which revealed a 1.6 percent gain in senior college enrollments in 1978 over 1977 and a 5.24 percent gain in community/junior college enrollments over the same period and stated that TEU was attracting its share of community/junior college graduates. He concluded that "if for no other reason than economics and for the taxpayers of the state of Texas, I oppose the transfer of Texas Eastern into the UT System"

Regent Austin stated that "the merger is a serious matter and should be treated with much respect" and gave the following report:

Although it was reported that this merger has been considered for as long as two or three years, the only action that this board has taken was a resolution passed in January of 1978 when this board went on record opposing such a merger. By that action, most of the regents considered this matter settled and thus initiated no feasibility study to see if a merger would benefit the school, East Texas or students, nor were any official contacts made with The UT System to see if they wanted TEU. Regent Austin's knowledge there has not been any official contact between the schools. The UT System has said that if the legislature so acts and makes TEU a part of the system, they will abide by that decision. Discussion of the proposal continued in some quarters outside of the official TEU family and apparently enough interest was generated without the support of this board to introduce legislation. Regent Austin questioned the value of discussion at this point since it appeared to be out of the board's hands. In response to merger proponent's statements concerning enrollment, Regent Austin said that although TEU enrollment may not have been as much as originally wanted or attempted, enrollment had increased. According to a study by a TEU marketing class, enrollment is not only a problem for TEU but for other schools as well. decrease from the college growth rate of the 1960's was accredited to disipation of enrollment of the 19 to 24 age group, economic reasons such as more than one child in a family of college age, increased cost of higher education and the shrinking differential in wage/salary rates for noncollege/college students; and the shifting of the marketing for higher education to the 22 to 36 age

group. The marketing study further revealed that the average TEU student is 30 to 31 years of age and attends TEU because it is conveniently located, offers a variety of degree programs and is relatively low cost. As an upper level university without on-campus housing, TEU is more oriented to the serious student. While TEU will continue to enroll students in the 18 to 24 age group, the primary target would appear to be the adult student. Serving that market segment will require some changes in attitude on behalf of the faculty and administration. The board needs to define the market and its needs, strengths and weaknesses in faculty, programs and promotions and review the institution's mission as it relates to the market served.

Regent Austin concluded by saying, "joining The UT System and changing the name will not solve the basic enrollment problem ...A good image and a comparative edge concentrated on TEU strengths of location, quality education and low cost will attract students. In the long run a well-founded reputation of service to customers will be the determining factor...We all need to think what is best for East Texas...what is best for the taxpayer of Texas. I think possibly a decision should be delayed...and really determine the feasibility of this rather than to rush into something...I don't think we have the necessary information to really base a decision."

Regent Turner stated that he was "very definitely in favor of the merger" for the following six reasons:

- 1. Students would have a better chance for a job with a University of Texas degree than one from Texas Eastern University.
- 2. Faculty's position among other colleges would be enhanced by being on the staff of The University of Texas at Tyler and their future in the profession would be better.
- Financial security would be more assured under The University of Texas System since UT has an open door to the legislature.
- 4. The public image is important from the standpoint of the student, faculty, City of Tyler and East Texas.
- 5. A better opportunity to obtain some of the goals that all of us have held such as the possibility of a medical school.
- 6. Looking at the future of the university, the best chance to acquire those things we want is to join with The University of Texas and take advantage of their expertise, of their ability to attract more students and of all the things that they can offer.

Regent Nall stated that he was in favor of the merger from the standpoint of the prestige that would be gained. He reported that he had talked to the people of Tyler about this matter and that the majority of citizens questioned approved of the transfer of Texas Eastern University to The University of Texas System.

Regent Dunagan stated that although he had not been on the board very long, he felt his responsibility to do the best for the institution and had been studying the merger with The University

of Texas System. He commented on the beautiful campus, but felt the university was obviously short of its goal as far as enrollment was concerned. It was his opinion that taxpayers would get more for their money if enrollment increased and classrooms were filled, and he thought the best way to accomplish this was under The University of Texas System. Regent Dunagan recognized that there were two sides to this question, but he stated that he believed the merger represented more good than bad and that TEU had more to gain than to lose.

Regent McVicker, M.D., commented that he did not know how the question of this merger came about, but he did not think the answer was a matter of prestige carried by a degree or that solutions to all problems were to be found within The University of Texas System. The question, according to Regent McVicker, was whether the people of Tyler and East Texas want to continue to support this university and if our representatives want to support it. If they do not want to continue their support, Regent McVicker said he would have to vote to go with The University of Texas System and the wishes of the people of Tyler.

President Stewart, invited by Chairman McKie to present his thoughts relative to the merger with The University of Texas System, stated that his primary interest in the matter focuses on what is best for the institution. He added he was very pleased that the Board of Regents during discussion at the meeting and individuals from the general public who previously commented on the merger have recognized that Texas Eastern University has an established quality program. Basic issues mentioned by the president included:

- 1. The University of Texas System is unquestionably recognized as one of the outstanding programs of higher education in our country and beyond; however, each component institution within the system does not necessarily magically inherit this greatness. It must be earned. Texas Eastern was charted on, and has maintained, a course of quality and educational excellence; therefore, if this transfer is accomplished, continued hard work will be in order and any aura of The University of Texas that surrounds TEU will be in somewhat direct proportion to the contributions which we make.
- Other objective considerations are: (1) In the area of operating costs, TEU is funded presently on a formula system just as the institution would be under The University of Texas System. This formula is based mainly on semester credit hours along with head count enrollment, square footage in buildings, acres of campus and other considerations from time to time. In regard to enrollment, Texas Eastern ranked fourth among all state institutions in Texas during the current year in percentage growth. Although this institution has had an excellent enrollment record after only eight years of existence, there would be—in my opinion—some increase if this transfer is made. It would be impossible to judge how much of an increase would occur or how long it would last.

- (2) In terms of funding for construction, there is a potentially significant difference which involves the permanent university fund. Legislation has been introduced which would include all component institutions of The University of Texas System under the permanent university fund and presumably our institution also would be included. Currently, this fund generates between \$60,000,000 and \$65,000,000 annually giving The University of Texas, along with Texas A&M University, substantial bonding capability for construction purposes. (3) There is support in legal, architectural/engineering, development and fiscal and general management areas within the University of Texas System staff that is available to all component institutions. (4) Also, the programmatic relationships between and among system institutions could be significant.
- 3. One area that might be considered as a disadvantage is that of regional identity which was specified in the founding of this institution. Involved in this concept is the relationship developed and maintained with community/junior colleges which is very important to TEU as an upper level and graduate institution. However, there would be no required change because of the transfer to The University of Texas System since there are presently two upper level universities in the system and the upper level concept is understood very well by those in the University of Texas organization.

In summary, President Stewart stated that in his opinion the advantages of the merger outweighed the disadvantages.

For the benefit of the many spectators attending the meeting, Chairman McKie introduced members of the Board of Regents and called on several of the visitors to express their opinions on the matter including Ralph Spence, Henry M. Bell, Jr., Isadore Roosth, Royce E. Wisenbaker, Dr. John H. Spurgin, Dennis Chartier, Barbara Entwistle, Charles Angelico, John Hitt and Freeman Carney.

Regent Abernathy asked that earlier graduates of Tyler State College and Texas Eastern University be given an opportunity to obtain degree certificates bearing the new name of The University of Texas at Tyler should this transfer be executed and the institution's name changed to The University of Texas at Tyler. President Stewart was asked what action was taken on a similar situation when the institution's name was changed to Texas Eastern University and responded that students were given the option of obtaining new diplomas. Regent Abernathy stated that he wanted a commitment from the appropriate authority to the effect that previous graduates be given the opportunity to have the institutional name of their choice on their degree certificates should the transfer of Texas Eastern to The University of Texas System be finalized. Regent Abernathy further stated that a fiscal note stating the approximate cost involved in this transfer must be attached to the

bill introduced in the Senate and House of Representatives and to his knowledge no fiscal note had been attached to S.B. 906 nor H.B. 1706. He repeated his statement that a university can operate more efficiently under an independent board of regents than under a system and expressed the opinion that more information was needed in order for the board to make a recommendation.

Regent McVicker stated that students attend colleges and universities for various reasons—one of the reasons being excellence of education—and the size of the institution did not necessarily indicate excellence.

Regent Nall moved and Regent McKenzie seconded that the Board of Regents of Texas Eastern University endorse the policy of establishing Texas Eastern University as a component institution of The University of Texas System. Chairman McKie asked for discussion and made the following statement: "It has been implied or asked--the reason for the meeting today. We had a meeting a short time ago, and did not have this specific item on the agenda and did not have a unanimous vote to amend the There was considerable publicity, and I felt it important that probably the people in this area know the position of this board. It is evident, I am sure, that we do not have all the board members taking the same position. Of course, it is the elected representatives of the people of Texas in Austin that are going to make this decision. I think maybe the opinion of the individuals of this board could have some influence on the people in this area, the expression of the visitors here could have some influence; and I would prefer--however there has been a motion and a second--that a vote not be taken on this matter."

Regent Hightower inquired, since the board's action had no legal bearing on the case whatsoever, if the motion was in the form of a resolution or recommendation to our elected representatives in Austin. Chairman McKie stated that it was a position of this board for support of the legislation. Regent McVicker stated that first the board should address itself to the fact that it is already on record in this position and the earlier position should be voted on, either changed or altered, or the board should stay with that position. It was his recommendation that the board's vote on January 18, 1978 should be wiped out before a new statement is issued on this matter. Regent Turner stated that the action of one board cannot bind a subsequent board and that this is a subsequent board and a new proposition.

BOARD ACTION: Regent McKenzie moved to amend Regent Nall's motion as follows: That the Board of Regents rescind the position that the Texas Eastern University Board of Regents took on January 18, 1978 relative to maintaining an independent institution and endorse the policy of establishing Texas Eastern University as a component institution of The University of Texas System as stated in S.B. 906 and H.B. 1706. Regent Nall accepted the amendment and Regent Turner requested a roll call vote. Motion carried with Regent McKenzie, Regent Turner, Regent Nall,

Regent Dunagan and Regent McVicker voting "aye" and Regent Austin, Regent Hightower and Regent Abernathy voting "nay."

Chairman McKie recognized Mr. Spence who made the following statement: "Mr. Chairman, I just wanted to speak for the people of the community and to thank you for the openness with which you received us. The chairman was most gracious in including us in this very weighty decision for you -- and you have had many. Every decision you have made for this school has certainly appeared to be the right one, and you have built a great school. Some of those decisions may have come out of this board at 5 to 4, or 6 to 3, or 7 to 2, or 1 opposed; but they became your decisions. From a community standpoint in going out and having the happiness of our area, the joy of doing something more, it would seem worthy of your consideration as you review this, to hope for unanimity. So that you come out, and it would be difficult for some to do, but it will be meaningful to the people who represent you in Austin and have made their fight, our fight through the years to support what you have done. It would be an act of gracious acknowledgement. We voted and we voted our convictions and we were not all on the winning side, but since it is the decision of this fine board, the winning side is our decision and we join it. I would just hope that this is what you could bring the community to be your final great act for everything else you have done--the sacrifices of coming in and being a part of it and I am grateful for your sharing with me. Thank you, Mr. Chairman."

ITEM VII. EXECUTIVE SESSION

The chair announced the meeting would convene into executive session at 4:42 p.m. The meeting reconvened into open session at 5:20 p.m.

ITEM VIII. CONTRACT REVISION NO. 54, PHASE II

Regent Nall reported that the Campus and Building Committee had reviewed Contract Revision No. 54, Phase II construction, which provides for installation of plumbing equipment including a three-inch sanitary drain, roof vent, hot and cold domestic water and a mop sink for the janitor's closet in Room 201 of the Business Administration Building. The institutional Program of Requirements and floor plans for the building specified such equipment; however, the specification was omitted in the mechanical/plumbing plans. Geren Associates Architects Engineers Planners had recommended acceptance of the contractor's proposal for the extra work in the amount of \$3,728 and the Campus and Building Committee recommended approval of Contract Revision No. 54.

BOARD ACTION: Regent Nall moved and Regent Turner seconded that the Board of Regents, upon the recommendation of the Campus and Building Committee, approve Contract Revision No. 54 for Phase II construction in the amount of \$3,728. Motion carried unanimously.

Regent Nall reported that the Campus and Building Committee had reviewed Contract Revision No. 8, Library (Part A) Construction, which provides for the relocation of the storm sewer inlet from the driveway north of the library building to a point further north in order to accommodate a planned future addition to the building, an increase in the diameter and decrease in the length of the storm drain pipe to the lake, an increase in the size of the retaining wall on the west side of the driveway and the addition of steps to the walk leading north from the northwest corner of the building. The relocation of the storm drain pipe will necessitate certain grade changes on the north side of the building to assure a slope away from the building. Associates Architects Engineers Planners had recommended acceptance of the contractor's proposal for the extra work in the amount of \$5,626 and the Campus and Building Committee recommended approval of Contract Revision No. 8.

BOARD ACTION: Regent Nall moved and Regent Turner seconded that the Board of Regents, upon the recommendation of the Campus and Building Committee, approve Contract Revision No. 8 for Library (Part A) construction in the amount of \$5,626. Motion carried unanimously.

ITEM X.

TRANSFORMER FOR GREENHOUSE FACILITY

At the request of Regent McKenzie, Mr. Grubbs reported that a step-down transformer and associated wiring, terminations, etc. were required in the greenhouse facility to bring the voltage down from 48277 to 12208. The Campus and Building Committee recommended approval of this expenditure not to exceed \$5,000.

BOARD ACTION: Regent McVicker moved and Regent Nall seconded that the Board of Regents, upon the recommendation of the Campus and Building Committee, approve the purchase of a transformer required in the greenhouse facility at an amount not to exceed \$5,000. Motion carried unanimously.

ITEM XI.

ANNOUNCEMENT OF ANNUAL MEETING

Chairman McKie announced that the annual meeting of the Board of Regents would be held at 2:00 p.m. on April 4, 1979 and that the agenda for the meeting would be mailed tomorrow.

ITEM XII.

FINE ARTS SCHOLARSHIPS

President Stewart requested that the Board of Regents supply guidance in the matter of presenting an adjustment in the Fine Arts Scholarships Guidelines to the TEU Educational Foundation, Inc. Board of Directors at their annual meeting on April 4, 1979. This adjustment would consist of changing the scholarships presently offered to drama students to students in the academic discipline of speech. Chairman McKie recommended that President

Stewart provide each member of the Board of Regents with a copy of the proposal prior to the April 4, 1979 Board of Directors meeting for their consideration.

ITEM XII.

ADJOURNMENT

On the motion of Regent Turner, seconded by Regent Dunagan, the meeting adjourned at 5:30 p.m.

Jeff Austin, Jr., Secretary

APPROVED:

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