

University of Texas at Tyler

Scholar Works at UT Tyler

Administrative Notes

Board of Regents Records

4-26-1976

Administrative Notes, April 26th, 1976

University of Texas at Tyler

Follow this and additional works at: https://scholarworks.uttyler.edu/bor_admin

Recommended Citation

University of Texas at Tyler, "Administrative Notes, April 26th, 1976" (1976). *Administrative Notes*. Paper 257.

<http://hdl.handle.net/10950/1636>

This PDF is brought to you for free and open access by the Board of Regents Records at Scholar Works at UT Tyler. It has been accepted for inclusion in Administrative Notes by an authorized administrator of Scholar Works at UT Tyler. For more information, please contact tgullings@uttyler.edu.




TEXAS EASTERN UNIVERSITY

100 EAST BERTA • TYLER, TEXAS 75701 • 214/595-0711

OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT

April 26, 1976

To: Board of Regents, Texas Eastern University
From: James H. Stewart, Jr. 
Subject: Administrative Notes

I. Institutional Degrees Considered by Coordinating Board

I reported to you at the April 14, 1976 Board of Regents meeting that Texas Eastern University would have two degrees considered at the April 22, 1976 Coordinating Board Program Development Committee meeting and the April 23, 1976 meeting of the full Coordinating Board. Also I explained to you that the Coordinating Board had recently requested that all Texas institutions submitting degrees for consideration at the April meeting defer them for later consideration unless such deferral would be extremely damaging to the needs of a given institution and the State of Texas.

In accordance with the Coordinating Board's request and after careful consideration, we did voluntarily request deferral on two of the four degrees, Bachelor of Fine Arts in Music and Bachelor of Fine Arts in Art, which had been submitted following your approval on February 18, 1976. As I also mentioned in my April board report, the administration felt the two other degrees which had been submitted, Bachelor of Science in Industrial Technology and Master of Science in Psychology, were critically needed by the institution immediately. Therefore, these are the two degrees that were presented to the committee and full board on April 22 and 23, 1976. One of these, Master of Science in Psychology, was approved by the Coordinating Board for implementation; and the Bachelor of Science in Technology was deferred.

The significance of the accomplishment of gaining approval for the Master's Degree in Psychology is emphasized by the fact that of the seventeen degrees considered last week, only five were approved by the Coordinating Board. And please remember that I informed you at the last board meeting that there were one hundred and three degree requests originally submitted by Texas institutions which means that

the seventeen considered last week were all degrees that were critically needed immediately. The four degrees approved, besides the one for Texas Eastern, were all approved for the Texas Tech Medical School and were approved because it was stipulated the degrees were needed by the Tech Medical School to remove probationary accreditation status from that institution within the next year or so.

Needless to state, we are very happy about the new Master of Science Degree approved for Texas Eastern, especially when the circumstances under which it was approved are taken into account, and I trust that the Board of Regents shares in this spirit. Let me assure you that our staff labored under very adverse circumstances to gain the favorable approval for this critically needed academic program.

II. Tyler City Council Action on Streets

Through action taken at their April 20, 1976 meeting, the Tyler City Council officially renamed the streets adjacent to the permanent campus site in accordance with our request. Spur 248 now has the city street designation of University Boulevard; Old Omen Road is now Texas Eastern Avenue; and Calloway Road is now Patriot Avenue.

I might mention that although there had been no complaints registered by citizens with the city, the Tyler city engineer recommended that the council not rename Old Omen Road. This recommendation was a complete surprise to me when it was made during the April 20, 1976 meeting. I had maintained close contact with the city manager and he had indicated no problems existed with any part of our request. Therefore, I have to assume that the staff member speaking against the Old Omen Road change had not advised the city manager of his impending recommendation.

Nevertheless, the council approved the new names for all three streets on a vote of four to one. The individual casting the dissenting vote favored the action requested for Spur 248 and Calloway Road but did not favor the change for Old Omen Road. However, action on all three streets was included in a single motion and he, therefore, voted negatively on the matter and explained that he favored renaming two of the streets but was opposed to the Old Omen Road portion of the motion.

III. Report from Resident Engineer

Attached is a report from our director of physical plant and resident engineer for the week ending April 23, 1976.

JHS:rc
Attachment

CONSTRUCTION PROGRESS REPORT

Week Ending: April 23, 1976

General: Work activities are proceeding on satisfactorily and on schedule.

Student Center: This facility is essentially complete. Clean up and paint touch up is underway. Systems testing is being done.

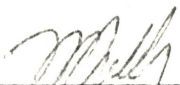
Administration: Seating has been installed in the large lecture hall. Carpeting of the floor is underway between the front seats of this room and the three upright projection screens. Carpet installation is near complete in this building. Mechanical and electrical efforts continue to progress well.

Science/Math Mechanical/plumbing work and electrical rough-in work continues on schedule. VAT and ceiling tile installation is near complete. Carpet installation shows good progress.

Power Plant: This facility is near complete. Some work on the chillers remains to be done and systems adjustment continues.

Physical Plant: Carpeting has been installed in the offices. Shelving installation in the storage rooms is near complete. Painting and mechanical/electrical work is progressing well.

Site Work: The pouring of sidewalks is near complete. Paving of roads and parking lots has been completed. Top soil placement and underground sprinkler system installation is near complete.



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

LJG/at

cc: ☒ Dr. James H. Stewart, Jr.
Mr. John R. Sawyer