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Summer Commencement Proposed for August 3

Subject to the approval of the Texas Eastern University Board of Regents, a special summer commencement is planned for Friday, August 3, to honor all students of Texas Eastern University who are completing degree requirements this summer. This special commencement is to honor the final group of graduates of TEU. Students eligible for this graduation will not participate in the annual commencement in May.

Plans are for the commencement to be held in the open area of the University Center. Assembly area for for graduates, faculty and platform party will be in the classrooms and hallway of the second floor of the Administration Building.

Based upon a recommendation by the Convocations and Commencement Committee, the administration is recommending to the board that the university have this final TEU commencement since summer graduates will be graduating under the authorization of the current governing board and fall and spring graduates will be graduating under the UT board of regents. Degrees will be different for the UT graduates.

UT Officials Meet TEU Employees

Chancellor E.D. Walker and other representatives of The University of Texas System were on the Texas Eastern University campus on June 19 to meet with TEU employees.

The chancellor said the UT System expects an enrollment of 105,000 to 107,000 students this fall and has 50,000 employees, including 10,000 faculty. The system is the fourth or fifth largest in the country.

"We do not try to run every hour and day-to-day operations of this institution from Austin. We give great autonomy to the individual institutions. The real measure of greatness of any institution is the people. The university is made up of people and you will find in the system that we are concerned about people," the chancellor said.

He told the groups that the staff benefits and classified pay plan are system-wide. He also said a centralized legal staff and a central police academy are among the services provided by the system in Austin.

Representatives of each faculty and each student body are invited to attend all meetings of the University of Texas Board of Regents.

Chancellor Walker, in discussing quality, said, "We will not lower the academic standards of this university or any component of the system in order to attract students. Quality is the only thing we can stand on . . .it is the only thing we should stand on."

TEU Board Plans Meeting For July 11

The Texas Eastern University Board of Regents will meet at 2 p.m. on Wednesday, July 11 in room 301 of the Administration Building. The agenda for the meeting has not been completed.

Thermostats Going Up; Coats, Ties Optional

Texas Eastern University has received the following memorandum from Governor William P. Clements Jr.:

"In view of the severe energy shortage, I have issued a proclamation of 'No Tie Summer' for the State of Texas, effective until September 15. This relaxed dress code will become symbolic of our determination to be practical during the hot summer months and at the same time to conserve energy by turning up thermostats to 76 degrees or higher.

"I also urge employers to accelerate ride-sharing and van pooling programs for both public and governmental employees and observe the 55 mph speed limit.

"Thank you for your cooperation in this important endeavor."

President James H. Stewart, Jr. encourages Texas Eastern University personnel to adjust to the "no tie" plan according to their individual needs and desires, schedule and appointments.

Thermostats in all buildings on the TEU campus will be adjusted to 76 degrees by the physical plant staff.

Summer II Registration Set

Registration for the second summer session at Texas Eastern University is scheduled for Monday, July 9, from 1-7 p.m. Classes start on Tuesday, July 10.

The second summer term has 91 classes, including 82 day classes and nine evening classes. Forty-seven of the classes are undergraduate level and 44 are for graduate students.

The summer term ends August 10.

Texas Times Published By UT System

Texas Times, a monthly publication of The University of Texas System, will be distributed to all administrators and full-time faculty of Texas Eastern University beginning in July.

The publication is designed to foster a greater sense of community among the system's component institutions and to encourage communication between the UT System and the people of Texas.

Scott Busby is editor and John Payton is assistant editor of the newspaper. Texas Times is prepared under the supervision of Robert L. Hardesty, vice chancellor for administration.

Savin Copiers Have Automatic Controls

The Savin photocopiers located in various departments on the Texas Eastern University campus have automatic shut-off controls. After copies are made the operator should not turn the machine off manually because the machine goes through a cleaning process after the last copy is made. Turning the machine off prior to the completion of this cleaning process will result in gradually poorer and poorer quality copies and will create more service requirements on these machines.

Dallas Resident Chairman Of UT Board Of Regents

Dan C. Williams serves as chairman of The University of Texas Board of Regents. Thos. H. Law of Fort Worth is vice chairman of the nine-member governing board which will have control of The University of Texas at Tyler effective Sept. 1. Betty Anne Thedford is secretary for the board. As secretary, she is an employee of the board.

All UT regents are appointed by the governor for six-year terms. The terms of Williams, Law and Walter G. Sterling of Houston will expire in January, 1981.

Regents whose terms will expire in January, 1983 include Jane Weinert Blumberg of Seguin, Sterling H. Fly Jr., M.D. of Uvalde and Jess Hay of Dallas.

The newest members of the board whose terms will expire in January, 1985 include Jon P. Newton of Austin, James L. Powell of Fort McKavett and Howard N. Richards of Beaumont.

Standing committees of the board include System Administration, Academic and Development Affairs, Buildings and Grounds, Land and Investment, and Medical Affairs. All members of the board constitute each of the committees.

The next meeting of the UT regents will be July 25-26 in San Antonio. The UT Tyler budget for 1979-80 will be presented for consideration at that meeting.

in the Spotlight . . .

ROBERT GEFFNER and ROBERT McCLURE were among the program participants in a Women: Drug/Prescription Use Seminar held on the TEU campus on June 20. The Department of Psychology was among the seminar sponsors.

GEORGE JOYCE has been named chairman of a Core Curriculum Study Committee for Business Administration by David Kelly, head of the Division of Community Colleges and Continuing Education, Coordinating Board, Texas College and University System.

JAMES H. SELLERS conducted a workshop on "Profit Planning and Control for Physical Therapist" at the annual meeting of the American Physical Therapy Association June 15 in Atlanta, Ga.

JAMES H. STEWART, JR. was the speaker for a meeting of the Jacksonville Rotary Club on June 8 and for the Tyler Rotary Club on June 14.

DONALD W. WHISENHUNT has a book review in the April 1979 issue of New Mexico Historical Review.

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