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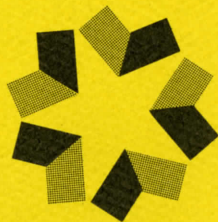
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Board Calls Special Meeting

The Texas Eastern University Board of Regents will meet at 2 p.m. Wednesday, March 28, in a special called meeting to discuss pending legislation concerning TEU becoming part of the University of Texas System.

Companion bills introduced in the State Senate and House will be discussed in the meeting which is open to the public.

Senate Bill 906, introduced by Sen. Peyton McKnight, was referred to the Committee on Education on March 12. The same date, H.B. 1706, introduced by Rep. Bill Clark, was referred to the Committee on Higher Education.

The bills, if approved in each legislative chamber and signed by Gov. Bill Clements, Jr., would change Texas Eastern University to The University of Texas at Tyler. Sept. 1, 1979 is the effective date of the bills. If passed it will be the institution's second name change in three years.

In addition to Wednesday's meeting, the regents will return to campus April 4 for the annual meeting and election of officers.

Alpha Chi Inducts 26 For Spring Semester

Twenty-six students at Texas Eastern University are inductees for the spring semester in the Alpha Chi organization at TEU. The students are enrolled in 12 academic programs.

Nursing, elementary education and industrial education have four inductees each while criminal justice and accounting have three each. Other academic programs represented include sociology, vocational education, early childhood education, psychology, art, political science and secondary education.

Thirteen of the 26 students reside in Tyler and Smith County. Other area towns represented include Longview, Bullard, Lindale, Murchison, Jacksonville, Kerens, Van, Athens and Henderson.

Research Projects Receive Approval

Four research projects in the amount of \$1,505.30 have received university approval following the recommendation of the Faculty Research Committee and the vice president for academic affairs.

The largest research grant is \$681.30 to William B. Stephens for a project entitled "Emerging Figures."

Other projects receiving funding include John H. Spurgin's study of "Patterns of Political Support in Texas Counties," budgeted for \$199; Stephen R. Lefevre's research on "Making Technology Policy," funded for \$125; and Michael Jay Geboy's "Survey of Sources of Information on Child Care," with \$500 funding.

These four bring the total research projects funded through TEU budgets to 26.

Bills Introduced To Make TEU Become UT At Tyler

Companion bills have been introduced in the State Senate by Senator Peyton McKnight and in the House of Representatives by Rep. Bill Clark to place Texas Eastern University in The University of Texas System. The text of these identical bills, H.B. 1706 and S.B. 906, is as follows:

A bill to be entitled an act relating to the establishment of Texas Eastern University as a component institution of the University of Texas System.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Texas:

Sec. 1. The governance, operation, management and control of Texas Eastern University and all land, buildings, facilities, improvements, equipment, supplies and property comprising said university are transferred from the Board of Regents of Texas Eastern University to the Board of Regents of The University of Texas System. Said university, land, buildings, facilities, improvements, equipment, supplies, and property shall be governed, operated, managed and controlled pursuant to such powers, duties and responsibilities as are or may hereafter be conferred by law upon the Board of Regents of the University of Texas System for the governance, management and control of the component institutions comprising said system.

Sec. 2. All appropriations made by the legislature for the use and benefit of Texas Eastern University under the governance of the Board of Regents of Texas Eastern University are transferred to the Board of Regents of The University of Texas System for the use and benefit of said university, and all other funds held for the use and benefit of Texas Eastern University shall be similarly transferred.

Sec. 3. All contract and written obligations of every kind and character, including bonds, entered into by the Board of Regents of Texas Eastern University for and on behalf of said university are ratified, confirmed and validated, and in all such contracts and written obligations,

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including bonds, the Board of Regents of The University of Texas System is substituted in lieu thereof and shall stand and act in the place and stead of the Board of Regents of Texas Eastern University.

Sec. 4. The university shall be organized to accept only junior-, senior-, and graduate-level students.

Sec. 5. The name of the University shall be The University of Texas at Tyler.

Sec. 6. Chapter 113 of Subtitle F of Title 3 (i.e., Sections 113.01 through 113.36) of the Texas Education Code is repealed, and all other laws or parts of laws in conflict with this Act are repealed to the extent of such conflict.

Sec. 7. The effective date of this Act is September 1, 1979.

Sec. 8. The importance of this legislation and the crowded condition of the calendars in both houses create an emergency and an imperative public necessity that the constitutional rule requiring bills to be read on three several days in each house be suspended, and this rule is hereby suspended, and that this Act shall take effect and be in force from and after its passage, and it is so enacted.

in the Spotlight...

PATRICIA A. GAJDA spoke at the En Avant Club on March 6 about the Russian Literary Renaissance in the nineteenth century.

GEORGE JOYCE spoke at the Real Estate Instructor's conference at Texas A&M University on transfer ability and inverted degree programs on March 1-2.

JAMES H. SELLERS and MILTON JONES were program participants in a Small Business Management Seminar held March 13 in Tyler.

JAMES H. STEWART, JR. was the speaker at a meeting of the Jacksonville Lions Club on March 20.

MURRAY WADE attended the Real Estate Instructor's Conference at Texas A&M on March 1-2.

Directors Added To TEU Educational Foundation

Additions were made to the Texas Eastern University Educational Foundation, Inc. Board of Directors by the TEU Board of Regents at a March 14 called meeting.

In the three hour and twenty minute meeting, which included an executive session which lasted two and one-half hours, the regents also approved personnel matters and a small class report.

The legality of that executive session was questioned by representatives of the news media covering the meeting. They challenged plans of the board to discuss pending legislation of placing TEU in the University of Texas System.

Royce Wisenbaker and Charles Childress of Tyler, Neal Velvin of Athens, Robert G. Schleier of Kilgore and Jack Morgan of Kaufman were added to the Educational Foundation board. In addition, nine directors whose terms are to expire in April 1979 were re-elected. These nine include Keating V. Zeppa, Ralph Spence, Jim Vaughn, J. Harold Stringer, George W. Pirtle, Calvin Clyde, Jr., A.W. Riter, Jr., Carl E. Bochow and John A. Warner.

In personnel matters, Sally Romano was approved as director of personnel services and Ronald W. Trice as media librarian. Trice comes to TEU from East Texas State University where he was a graduate assistant. Mrs. Romano has served as director of personnel at Stephen F. Austin State University since August 1976.

New Regents Begin Service

Three new regents began their service as members of the Texas Eastern University governing board on March 14 at a called meeting of the board.

Judge Otis T. Dunagan and Robert M. Nall of Tyler and Dr. Gene W. Hightower of Van were approved by the Senate Nominations Committee on March 6 and confirmed by the Texas Senate on March 8.

The new appointments are for terms ending Jan. 31, 1985.

Spring Enrollment Totals 1853

Students from 40 counties in Texas, 13 states and 11 foreign countries are enrolled at Texas Eastern University during the spring semester, according to data released by the Office of Admissions and Records.

Juniors make up 44 percent of the 1,853 enrollment while seniors make up 17 percent. Thirty-seven percent of the students are enrolled at the graduate level.

The average age of the TEU student is 30.86 with a range of 18 to 70. Ages 21 and 22 are represented by the most students, 141 and 139 respectively.

Smith County has 51 percent of the student enrollment with Gregg County ranked second with 12.68 percent. Other counties represented include Anderson, Angelina, Bell, Camp, Cass, Cherokee, Coryell, Dallas, Delta, Denton, Ellis, Galveston, Grimes, Harris, Harrison, Henderson, Hopkins, Houston, Jefferson, Kaufman, Leon, Liberty, Marion, Navarro, Panola, Polk, Rains, Red River, Runnels, Rusk, San Jacinto, Shelby, Tarrant, Titus, Upshur, Van Verde, Van Zandt and Wood.

States represented include Arizona, Florida, Indiana, Louisiana, Minnesota, Missouri, Ohio, Oklahoma, Oregon, Pennsylvania, Tennessee, and Washington.

The 11 foreign countries include Australia, Canada, Republic of China, Guyana, Hong Kong, Iran, Ireland, Nigeria, Pakistan, United Arab Republic and South Vietnam.

Clements Seeks Assistance In Energy Conservation

Gov. William P. Clements, Jr. recently communicated by letter to heads of each state agency seeking assistance in energy conservation. President James H. Stewart, Jr. received the letter on March 2 and as requested, is passing this communication on to all personnel of Texas Eastern University. The text of the letter is as follows:

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Dear Dr. Stewart:

As you know, the recent developments in Iran have resulted in a virtual shutdown of export production from that country. Although the United States depends upon Iranian production for only 5% of domestic needs, the shutdown may have a significant impact upon short term supplies of oil and gasoline.

In order to minimize this impact, it is important for all of us to redouble our efforts to conserve energy. In this regard, I am writing to you and other agency and department heads in the State to urge your assistance in this statewide effort. Specifically, efforts should be directed toward:

1. encouraging employees to use public transportation and carpools.
2. strict observance of the 55 miles per hour speed limit for all state owned vehicles.
3. consolidating deliveries and pick-ups.
4. considering fuel consumption when replacing department vehicles, equipment and machinery.
5. turning off lights and equipment when not in use.

Although conservation can only be part of the long-term solution to our national energy problems, it is, perhaps, the most effective tool available with which to deal and with the immediate situation. Your cooperation and support in this effort is appreciated.

Sincerely,

William P. Clements, Jr.
Governor

Lead Time Needed On Advances

Not enough lead time has been allowed in requesting travel advance payments, according to business manager Wayne Criswell. Travel requests must be approved by the department head, dean, business office and vice president before being returned to the business office for travel advance voucher preparation.

To be safe, Criswell says, travel advance requests should be submitted at least two to three weeks prior to the need for travel advance payment. The business office cannot process a request for travel advance unless it receives the approved travel request a minimum of three working days prior to the need for the payment.

Employees receiving travel advance payments are also reminded that a completed and approved travel voucher is due in the business manager's office within three days after return from travel for which there has been a travel advance.

Quick Action Needed On Vouchers

Wayne Criswell reports that too many purchase vouchers are being received by the Purchasing Department showing excessive lengths of time between the delivery date and the date submitted for payment processing.

Each department's cooperation and assistance is needed to complete vouchers as soon as possible after goods and services have been received. It normally takes three to four weeks for the vendor to receive payment after the voucher is received by the Purchasing Department.

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