Administrative Notes, October 25th, 1976

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To:      Board of Regents, Texas Eastern University  
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Subject: Administrative Notes  

I. Legislative Budget Board and Governor's Budget Office Questionnaire  

Relative to information on the Legislative Budget Board and Governor's Budget Office current and proposed utilization of physical facilities questionnaire which I discussed with you October 20, 1976, I wish to mention that certain revisions were required on Page 1 of the materials distributed at that time. A copy of the final questionnaire developed for Texas Eastern University is enclosed and should replace the material which you received at the board meeting last week. The revisions reflected on Page 1 and Page 1A relate to the fact that the state agencies requesting the information wanted the "Projected* and/or Actual Costs" column to reflect the total costs of the structures and not construction costs only. The material distributed on October 20, 1976 at the board meeting reflected construction costs only.

II. Coordinating Board Off-Campus Instruction Information  

As a follow-up to my verbal report during the October 20, 1976 Board of Regents meeting concerning off-campus instruction information given by Dr. Kenneth H. Ashworth, commissioner of higher education, at the Coordinating Board meeting in Austin Friday, October 15, 1976, I am enclosing a copy of Dr. Ashworth's written statement on this matter which he mailed to all presidents last week. From this material you can note examples of ways in which the major formula elements of cost could be utilized to generate off-campus funding at various levels below 100 percent. As I reminded you on October 20, 1976, the present system for financing higher education in Texas treats off-campus enrollments the same as on-campus enrollments so far as "funding generated" is concerned. Herein, of course, lies the fundamental problem and the reason attention has been and continues to be focused on this matter.
III. Report of Resident Engineer

Attached is a report from our director of physical plant and resident engineer for the week ending October 22, 1976.

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Enclosures and Attachment