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Administrative Notes, February 21st, 1977

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

I. Senate Finance Committee Hearing

As has already been communicated to each of you, the Senate Finance Committee has set the Texas Eastern University appropriations hearing for tomorrow, February 22, 1977 at 2:00 p.m. in Room 310 of the Capitol Building. It appears that the legislature is working very hard to achieve the goal which they set earlier of getting the appropriations bill written much earlier in the legislative session than is customary.

II. Committee of Governing Boards Publication

The letter which you find enclosed addressed to the appropriate individual associated with your local newspaper is your copy of a communication with which the bulletin, A Statement Concerning Texas Public Higher Education, was sent for the information of various media organizations in our region. As you will recognize, the bulletin to which I refer is the one written by Dr. Bevington Reed and which you recently received along with a letter from Governor Allan Shivers. This publication was developed by Dr. Reed under the Committee of Governing Boards' Executive Committee. Of course, Chairman Robert G. Schleier, is a member of the Executive Committee and was involved in decision making pursuant to the publication of this excellent bulletin. Dr. Reed has advised me that plans are being made to send the bulletin to media organizations throughout the state, but he also is desirous that college and university presidents communicate directly with local media in order for the message contained in the bulletin to be emphasized in various localities of the state. It is very possible that each of you may have contacts from local media representatives about this matter. Hopefully, such contacts will be made by the media with you and other regents throughout the state. Local input and support of the message contained in the bulletin will enhance the efforts of all of higher education in Texas.
III. Legislative Reception

For those who have reservations on the plane for the Austin trip Wednesday, February 23, 1977, I wish to remind you that we have been requested to meet at Pounds Field by 12:00 noon. Takeoff time is 12:30 p.m. Also, I wish to mention that the reception location has been changed since last week. It has now been scheduled for 5:00 to 7:00 p.m., Wednesday evening in the Headliners Club, American National Bank Building.

IV. Report from Resident Engineer

Attached is a report from our director of physical plant and resident engineer for the week ending February 18, 1977.

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Enclosure and Attachment
CONSTRUCTION PROGRESS REPORT
H & P E
Project No. 6
Week Ending: February 4, 1977

General: Excellent progress is evident from this week's work. The roofing subcontractor has finished the roofing work for now, but will return later after the exterior brick work is complete to finalize his efforts. The roof has been graveled and is now weathered-in. The masonry work was started the latter part of the week and approximately 25% of the south wall has been bricked. The first floor slab is 85% poured and the second floor deck has been poured. Miscellaneous structural steel work and plumbing work continues to show good progress.

Site Work: There was no site work activity during the week.

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

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