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President Reveals Reorganization Plan

A reorganization plan for The University of Texas at Tyler was announced by James H. Stewart, Jr. at a 50-minute meeting of faculty and staff on Dec. 20.

Changes are planned to become effective Sept. 1, 1980 and are subject to the approval of the Chancellor and Board of Regents of The University of Texas System and the Coordinating Board, Texas College and University System.

Major changes within the academic structure include the merging of six schools into four and a restructuring within the student life office and admissions and records office. The School of Fine and Performing Arts and the School of Applied Studies will merge into the other existing schools.

Final decisions on names of some academic departments within the schools and school titles are subject to further evaluation.

Departments under student life will include admissions and records, student financial aid, counseling and learning assistance, and student activities. Tom G. Turns will administer the combined areas as dean.

All personnel affected by the mergers are to be offered positions elsewhere in the university.

The position of academic assistant to the vice president will be changed to associate vice president for graduate studies and curriculum. Patricia A. Gajda has been requested to assume the expanded position which will include curriculum and graduate administrative duties.

Changes within the president's staff will be reducing the planning and analysis office from one-half time to

one-fourth time and designating the office as institutional studies and research, and adding a development office. This position is planned for implementation in September.

Within the area of fiscal affairs, a comptroller position is being created and the position of business manager is being dissolved. Functions under the comptroller include accounting and reporting, and purchasing and general services. Also, two staff positions under the vice president for fiscal affairs are being added. The position of administrative assistant to vice president for fiscal affairs is subject to being filled in September, and an internal auditor slot is added but will not be filled during the next fiscal year.

Insurance Enrollment Is Open

The annual enrollment period for accidental death and dismemberment (AD&D) insurance will be from Jan. 2 through Jan. 31.

The current ceiling on the maximum amount of coverage will increase from \$200,000 to \$300,000 effective Feb. 1. Therefore, those employees who are currently earning above \$20,000 on a 12-month basis can elect to increase coverage up to \$300,000, but not to exceed ten times their annual salary.

Any employee who wishes to add AD&D coverage or increase the amount of current coverage during this enrollment period must contact the Office of Personnel Services prior to Feb. 1.

Registration Scheduled Jan. 17

Registration for the spring semester at The University of Texas at Tyler will be from 9 a.m. to 7 p.m. on Thursday, Jan. 17. Students will begin the registration process in the Hudnall-Pirtle-Roosth Building. Classes are scheduled to start on Jan. 18.

Late registration will be open Jan. 18 through Jan. 24 with offices open from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. on Jan. 18 and 8 a.m. to 7 p.m. Jan. 21-24.

34 Students Selected Who's Who For 1979-80

The 1979-80 edition of Who's Who Among Students in American Universities and Colleges will carry the names of 34 students from The University of Texas at Tyler.

Serving as members of the Who's Who Selection Committee for UT Tyler were Tom G. Turns as chairman, H. Donald Garrison, David C. Riddle, C. Murray Wade, Gloria King Davis, Janice Rene Ferrell and Deborah Lynn Hogg.

Students named this year from UT Tyler are listed by place of residence:

ATHENS -- Melton G. Stracener and Melissa Wright.

BROWNSBORO -- Carolyn Owen.

FLINT -- Amy S. Glenn.

GILMER -- Julia Nell Davis.

GLADEWATER -- Patricia Gail Lyles.

GRAND SALINE -- Karen Sue Pesnell.

HENDERSON -- Charlotte M. Allred.

JACKSONVILLE -- Mary Ann Fannette, Jacquelynn S. Norman and Alice Rooks.

KILGORE -- Nancy Shertzer and Melissa Wright.

LINDALE -- Stephen Rydzak and Terri L. Tomlin.

LONGVIEW -- Vicki Leigh Dortch and Rebecca L. Stahl.

PALESTINE -- Norma Fields.

TYLER -- Ruth Pauline Aven, Jean Marie Brassard, Delaine Coffey, Gilbert Lewis Cook, Shirley Faye Coon, Beverly Leigh Cory, Sally Ellis Dobbs, Debra M. Hamilton, Victoria Ruthann Hudnall, Oland Dean Mason, Jeanette McLeod, Stephen Prosser, Martha Karen Ramey, Linda F. Sheldon and JoAnn Tunnell.

WHITEHOUSE -- Janice L. Matthews.

Social Security Ceiling Changes

Higher social security taxes went into effect Jan. 1. The taxable wage base for 1980 is \$25,900, an increase of \$3,000 over the 1979 base. The higher taxes, therefore, will affect employees of The University of Texas at Tyler who are making more than \$22,900 a year.

Those persons with incomes under \$22,900 will not pay additional social security tax in 1980 because the tax rate of 6.13 percent is the same as in 1979.

The State of Texas is currently contributing 5.85 percent of the 6.13 percent for all employees on the first \$16,500 earned annually. This contribution by the state is considered taxable income.

The tabulation of wages against the \$16,500 began at zero again on Jan. 1. For UT Tyler employees, the payment of the difference between the state's 5.85 contribution and the 6.13 required tax will continue as in previous months. As individuals reach the \$16,500 total, they will begin paying the full 6.13 percent until they reach the maximum \$25,900.

Both the ceiling and rate of social security tax will increase in 1981 with the ceiling to reach \$29,700 and the rate going up to 6.65 percent.

W2 Forms Are Due Jan. 31

Employees of The University of Texas at Tyler are to receive their W2 forms with their paychecks on Jan. 31. Each employee will receive two W2 forms for the 1979 calendar year, one for the period of Jan. 1, 1979 through August 31, 1979 under Texas Eastern University and the second for a period of Sept. 1, 1979 through Dec. 31, 1979 under The University of Texas at Tyler.

Five Scholarship Recipients Named

Five recipients of the Mike Harvey Scholarship for 1979-80 have been named by the Tyler Chapter of National Secretaries Association.

Recipients include Linda F. Sheldon, Kathleen Boyette and Lana J. Owens, all of Tyler; Pamela K. Payne of Palestine and Suzanne Bounds of Longview.

Enrollment Averages 2,000 At UTHSC At San Antonio

EDITOR'S NOTE—This is another in a series of articles on components of The University of Texas System.

UT HEALTH SCIENCE CENTER--SAN ANTONIO—Rapid, well-planned growth characterizes The University of Texas Health Science Center at San Antonio. Since opening its medical school doors in 1968 with 29 students, the education complex has grown to include four other components: a Dental School, School of Nursing, Graduate School of Biomedical Sciences and a School of Allied Health Sciences. Enrollment average 2,000. Affiliation agreements with area hospitals and related health care institutions provide students with necessary clinical experience.

Degrees offered include the Bachelor of Science and Master of Science in nursing, Master of Arts, Doctor of Dental Surgery, Doctor of Medicine and Doctor of Philosophy. The Doctor of Pharmacy is offered jointly with The University of Texas at Austin. Certificates are awarded for one and two-year programs in dental assisting, dental hygiene and dental laboratory technology. Additional programs in the School of Allied Health Sciences are planned as needs arise.

The health science center occupies 100 acres in the heart of the 683-acre South Texas Medical Center in northwest San Antonio, a city where health care ranks among the top industries.

The school receives more than \$12 million annually in research and training grants. Major products are a Specialized Center of Research (SCOR) in Atherosclerosis, a Center for Research in Reproductive Biology, and extensive studies in kidney functions. Additional research is conducted in arthritis, infectious diseases, allergy-immunology, nutrition, pineal gland functions and in other clinical and basic science areas.

A comprehensive hemophilia center, an expanding kidney transplantation program that links the health science center with dialysis centers in South Texas and a treatment program for breast cancer victims are headquartered at the school. A family practice residency program is expanding to include satellite facilities in South and West Central Texas.

The health science center works in conjunction with The University of Texas at San Antonio and two local private research institutions to form the Southwest Research Consortium, one of the first research consortia in the nation, which attracts major research grants and contracts in health care and related areas. Using facilities of the four institutions, multidisciplinary projects can be carried out which an individual institution could not manage alone.

in the Spotlight...

W. CLAYTON ALLEN was the guest lecturer at a Mid-Management Seminar at Kilgore College on Dec. 3. He has been appointed to the Texas VICA/VOCT Advisory Committee and was recently recognized by the East Texas Industrial Education Association as the Outstanding Regional Industrial Education Teacher for 1979-80.

TOMMY GILBREATH spoke to the KEY Club at Robert E. Lee High School on Dec. 6.

VIVIAN A. HICKS has been appointed as a member of the Advisory Council for the Henderson County Junior College student child care program.

JAMES SELLERS book "A Practical Guide to Preparing a Tax Return for a Closely Held Corporation", co-authored with Edward E. Milam, is now available in its revised edition.

EVELYN SOWELL presented an inservice workshop on "Math for the Underachievers" on Nov. 21 for the Tyler Independent School District.

JOHN SPURGIN appeared on Forum 6 on Dec. 16 with Mike Edwards and Dr. David on KTBB to discuss the Iranian crisis and on Dec. 17 he appeared on the Joan Hallmark Show on KLTU.

MURRAY WADE gave an address to the South Tyler Rotary Club on Dec. 17. His speech was entitled "The Great Depression of 1980." He also spoke on "What Free Enterprise Really Means" at a meeting on Dec. 18 of the American Business Women's Association.

ARCHIE WHITFIELD was a guest on the Noontime show on KGRI in Henderson on Dec. 13, the Public Affairs program on KDOK in Tyler on Dec. 12, and the Public Affairs program on KNUE in Tyler on Dec. 16.

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