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To: Board of Regents, Texas Eastern University

From: James H. Stewart, Jr.

Subject: Administrative Notes

I. Board of Regents Meeting, July 12, 1978

You are reminded of the regular quarterly meeting of the Board of Regents on Wednesday, July 12, 1978 at 2:00 p.m. in the Board of Regents Room. Committee meetings will begin at 1:00 p.m. Please return the enclosed postal card if you plan to have lunch in the University Center, Room 134 at 12:00 noon.

II. TEU Role and Scope and Program Request Review

As you are aware, each Texas state institution submitted a role and scope study to the Coordinating Board, Texas College and University System in December 1975. Since that time, the Coordinating Board staff has been reviewing these submissions as rapidly as possible and presenting the results of their review in the form of an institutional profile to the Coordinating Board during the past several board meetings. I have been unofficially advised during the past week that the TEU review will be considered at the July 13 and 14, 1978 Coordinating Board meeting. Moreover, I was advised at the same time that the Coordinating Board staff has tentative plans to work with the TEU staff on June 29, 1978 in order for our staff to professionally review the institutional profile and specific program requests which are currently before the Coordinating Board. Included in the latter are Master of Science in Industrial Education, Master of Arts/Master of Education in Special Education and Bachelor of Arts/Bachelor of Science in Communications which you approved on July 6, 1977.

Of course, I have no preliminary information at this time pursuant to the attitude of the staff about either the
program requests or the review of existing programs. I should remind you, however, that there is the possibility that the Coordinating Board, based upon the recommendations of the Coordinating Board staff, may conclude that it is desirable to eliminate certain programs and/or modify our organizational structure. This is fundamental to the review process, and the Coordinating Board has been recommending in the case of some institutions that certain programs be eliminated or other modifications be made in the operation of institutions. In regard to the new program requests, I would mention that I am optimistic about having these approved. But again, I emphasize that I have no advance information presently and that this is a highly unpredictable matter. This entire situation is, of course, a very significant one for our institution, and I will keep you fully informed as the situation unfolds over the next few weeks.

III. Report from Resident Engineer

Attached is a report from the director of physical plant and resident engineer for the week ending June 16, 1978.

JHS:rc
Enclosure and Attachment
CONSTRUCTION PROGRESS REPORT
PHASE II
Week Ending: June 16, 1978

SCIENCE/MATH: Approximately 95 percent of second floor drywall work has been completed. Exterior brick work has been completed and backfilling of dirt around the building is in progress. Electrical conduit work continues to progress well. The first floor south air handler has been connected to the hot and chilled water lines. Some clean up work on the first floor is being done.

BUSINESS: Masonry work along the south wall is in progress. Approximately 50 percent of the first floor, south exterior wall is in place. Welding and painting of steel relief angles is in progress on the north side of the building. The first floor duct work has been insulated and stubbed out. The first floor west air handler has been connected to supply and return water lines. Mechanical work is progressing well on the second floor.

NOTE: We are having considerable trouble in finding qualified brick masons and helpers. In fact, the progress on the Business Building has essentially stopped. During the week of June 5th and June 12th, our mason crew fell from an average of 18 to 20 men to 3 to 5 men. The problem was occasioned by the construction of the Lone Star Steel plant in Daingerfield, Texas. They are attempting (and obviously they have been fairly successful) in employing 50 masons at a premium wage with a guarantee of 60 hours/week. The lack of progress of this work essentially affects all interior work except the mechanical and electrical trades.

GREENHOUSE: There was no activity at the Greenhouse during the week.

SITWORK: The 16 foot wide intercampus drive loop has been completed except for a 60 foot section near the S/M Building. Some land clearing work is underway along sidewalks located south of the Business Building.

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