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Regents approve budget

UT Tyler has received the largest budget increase for the 1986-87 academic year of all UT System academic components, reports President George F. Hamm. The budget was adopted by the board of regents at its June meeting.

"The 5.2 percent increase in the university's educational and general operating budget reflects the support of the regents for the rapid growth UT Tyler has experienced," Hamm says. "However, we must continue to curtail expenses wherever we can to help alleviate the state's serious budget situation."

Included in the 1986-87 UT Tyler budget is a 3 percent pay increase for all classified and non-classified positions. Faculty will receive raises based on merit. The 3 percent increase corresponds with the amount mandated by the legislature.

The regents also approved final plans — to be funded with \$3.8 million in proceeds of the Permanent University Fund (PUF) — for completion and renovation of space in the Robert R. Muntz Library, the University Center, and the Administration Building, and completion of the physical plant compound.

The regents' action, which follows its authorization of the project last year, also authorizes the advertisement of bids for the project.

In addition, the regents allocated \$564,000 for UT Tyler from PUF proceeds for an academic computer laboratory and other computing equipment, for library enhancement, a remote fire alarm panel, and roof repairs on buildings throughout the campus.

UT Tyler to host Phi Theta Kappa convention

The University of Texas at Tyler will host the state leadership conference of Phi Theta Kappa National Junior College Honor Society Sept. 25 - 28.

The conference is expected to draw about 200 leaders from Phi Theta Kappa Chapters of junior colleges throughout the state. The September conference will be a planning and training activity for Phi Theta Kappa programs throughout the 1986-87 academic year.

"We are excited that this organization of junior college scholars has chosen UT Tyler for its statewide leadership conference," said Martha Wheat, UT Tyler's director of admissions. "We look forward to the opportunity to showcase our campus to these outstanding students from all parts of Texas."

Officers of the Phi Theta Kappa organization, meeting in Tyler recently to plan the September conference, included Julie Landgraft, national president of Phi Theta Kappa, from Blinn Jr. College in Brenham, Texas, and Lisa Zapalac, state president of Phi Theta Kappa, also from Blinn.

Phi Theta Kappa faculty advisors at the meeting included Cliff Wood, state advisor, Grayson County Jr. College in Sherman; Ann Faulker, Mountain View Community College, Dallas; Anita Neeley, Kilgore College; Wayne Taylor, Trinity Valley Community College, Athens; Janice Sneed, Blinn Jr. College; and Eileen Ray, Navarro College, Corsicana.

Creative teaching workshop planned

"Creative Teaching Concept," a seminar by psychologist Dr. Roger Allen, is scheduled 8:30 a.m. - 4 p.m. Saturday, July 19 in ADM 127. Sponsored by UT Tyler's Office of Continuing Education, the program is approved by the Texas Education Agency for six hours of advanced academic training.

The session is designed to provide teachers with more effective methods of communicating, verbally and nonverbally. Topics include "Communication: What You Say is What You Get" (verbal communication and body language), "Styles of Teaching" (protecting, directing, discussing and advising; asking and answering questions; and handling objections), "Learning versus Memory" (mnemonic devices and photographic memory), and "Imagery, Imagination and Magic Carpets" (the use of metaphors).

Lecture will be combined with specific responses to classroom problems, with questions and answers throughout the presentations.

Allen, a licensed psychologist and educational consultant, has conducted numerous seminars and inservice workshops for teachers, parents and church groups. He is the author of the book, "Common Sense Discipline" and has worked with children as a school counselor and as a group counselor for emotionally disturbed boys.

He earned a doctorate from Arizona State University, a master's from Oklahoma State University and a bachelor's from North Texas State University.

The fee for this seminar is \$20.

in the spotlight...

Ian Condie, Windsor-Richardson Summer Scholars Program visiting professor from Glasgow, Scotland spoke to the Henderson Optimist Club on the geography of Scotland June 6.

Dr. Olga Fischer and **Dr. Chester Fischer**, associate professor of education, spoke to the Association of Texas Language Arts Supervisors (ATLAS) at the Texas Education Agency in Austin June 6.

Dr. Neil Ford, associate professor of biology, was co-presenter, with Richard Seigal of the Savannah River Ecology Laboratory, of "A Review of the Reproductive Ecology of Snakes" and "The Role of Nutrition in the Reproductive Characteristics of Snakes" at the University of Victoria, British Columbia.

Dr. Davor Jedlicka, associate professor of sociology, presented a paper by invitation at the Sea Grant Meeting at Texas A&M University May 29. His topic was "Population and Industry on the Texas Coast."

Dr. James F. Koukl, director of medical technology, attended a conference on patent development and biotechnology transfer programs for academic health centers at the University of Missouri-Columbia School of Medicine June 5 - 6.

Dr. Paula Lundberg, assistant professor of psychology, presented "Effective Utilization of Psychopharmalogical Agents" to the East Texas Psychological Association.

Larry Roberts, university police chief, has been elected to the Texas College and University Police Officers Association board of directors.

Dr. James Sellers, Department of Accounting chairman and professor of business administration, has been appointed to a two-year term on the National Association of Accountants' Committee on Education.

Geri B. Wink, instructor of accounting, presented a seminar, "Basic Accounting" to Tyler employees of United Telephone of Texas.

Dr. Marilyn Young, professor of management, presented a paper, "Computer Literacy for Women: A Potential Source of Expert Power," at the Women and Work Symposium at UT Arlington May 1.

Registration dates slated

Regular and late registration for summer session II and early registration for fall are scheduled this month.

Summer session II registration is set for 1-6 p.m. Monday, July 14 in the University Center. Late registration will be 8 a.m. - 5 p.m., Tuesday and Wednesday, July 15 - 16. Classes begin July 15.

Early registration for fall resumes Monday, July 21 and continues through Friday, Aug. 1. Hours will be 9 a.m. - 4 p.m., weekdays.

Electric power outage scheduled

The university's annual preventive maintenance electrical power outage is scheduled for 7 a.m. - 1 p.m. Saturday and Sunday, Aug. 23-24. Electric service will be out in all campus facilities except the art studio to provide required maintenance to high voltage transformers, switches and related equipment.

NEW EMPLOYEES

Ross Brown
Groundskeeper I
Physical Plant
PHY 105, Ext. 286
Effective 6/16/86

Dottie Wood
Accounting Clerk II
Financial Services
ADM 120, Ext. 316
Effective 6/27/86

Odell Bircher, Building Attendant I in the Physical Plant, will observe five years continuous service at the University on July 6th. Congratulations Odell!

Holiday scheduled

UT Tyler will observe the Independence Day holiday Friday, July 4. All offices will be closed and classes dismissed on that date.

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