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Sec. 6. Space Leases.

- 6.1 Space leases involving buildings and paid from general budget funds must, by law, be approved by the State Board of Control and may not extend beyond a four-year period.
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"None of the funds herein appropriated may be used for the purchase, rental or contractual agreement for any type of electronic, mechanical or other interception devices used for the purpose of overhearing or recording oral conversation made in private or conversation made by wire without prior approval of the Governor."

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 - 1.221 A uniform system of salary steps providing for an increase of approximately 3.4 percent, to the nearest dollar, above each preceding step shall be used for all pay plans. All salaries shall be on salary steps, or a fractional part thereof.
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 - 2.12 A leave of absence with full pay shall be provided any employee who is called to active duty with the National Guard by the Governor of Texas. Such leave shall in no way be charged against the employee's vacation or sick leave privileges.
 - 2.13 The Chief Business Officer of each institution may prescribe forms and procedures for such leaves.
- 2.2 Maternity Leave
 - 2.21 Upon request, a leave of absence without pay shall be granted to regular employees for maternity reasons. A pregnant employee who wishes to retain her position or comparable position may be granted such leave for a "reasonable period" of time as determined by the individual circumstances of her case with due consideration being given to the well-being of the employee and to the interests of the institution.
 - 2.22 A "reasonable period" is considered to not exceed three months prior to the anticipated delivery date and to not exceed three months after the delivery date, unless the employee presents a written statement from her physician which alters this period of leave of absence.
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 - 2.25 A replacement may be provided on a temporary basis during the employee's absence.

- 1.25 Institutional Personnel Officer
 - 1.251 The Chief Business Officer of each institution shall designate an Institutional Personnel Officer to be responsible for the development and operation of the Classified Personnel Program.
 - 1.252 Functional direction and help on technical personnel matters shall be provided each Institutional Personnel Officer by the System Personnel Director.

- 2.1 Leave for Military Duty.
 - 2.11 A leave of absence not to exceed fifteen working days in any one calendar year is granted faculty or staff members who, as members of the National Guard or Official Militia of Texas or members of any of the Reserve Components of the Armed Forces, shall be engaged in authorized training or duty, ordered or authorized by proper authority. During such periods, the employee is absent without loss of efficiency rating, vacation time, or salary, and when relieved from military duty, is restored to the position and status he previously held.
 - 2.12 A leave of absence with full pay shall be provided any employee who is called to active duty with the National Guard by the Governor of Texas. Such leave shall in no way be charged against the employee's vacation or sick leave privileges.
 - 2.13 The Chief Business Officer of each institution may prescribe forms and procedures for such leaves.
- 2.2 Maternity Leave.
 - 2.21 Upon request, a leave of absence without pay shall be granted to regular monthly salaried employees for maternity reasons. A pregnant employee who wishes to retain her position or comparable position may be granted such leave for a "reasonable period" of time as determined by the individual circumstances of her case with due consideration being given to the well-being of the employee and to the interests of the institution.
 - 2.22 A "reasonable period" is considered to not exceed three months prior to the anticipated delivery date and to not exceed three months after the delivery date, unless the employee presents a written statement from her physician which alters this period of leave of absence.
 - 2.23 A statement encompassing the details of a maternity leave shall be entered in the remarks section of the appropriate Personnel Action Form.
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2.32 In order to comply with the Fair Labor Standards Act, those employees in a non-exempt status who are authorized to perform overtime services in excess of forty hours per week shall be reimbursed at the rate of one and one-half times the regular rate.

- 2.33 Overtime compensation for those employees in an exempt status under the Fair Labor Standards Act shall be determined by the Chief Business Officer of the institution involved.
- 2.4 Patent Policy.
 - 2.41 Statement of Basic Philosophy and Objectives. While the discovery of patentable processes or inventions is not the primary objective of the University, for any such discoveries made, it is the objective of the Board of Regents to provide a patent policy which will encourage the development of such inventions for the best interest of the public, the inventor, and the sponsor whenever an invention occurs, and will permit the timely disclosure of any patentable discoveries, whether by patent, publication or both. The policy is further intended to protect the respective interests of all concerned by ensuring that the benefits of patents accrue to the public, to the inventor, to the University and to sponsors of specific research in varying degrees of protection, monetary return and recognition, as circumstances justify or require.

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General Policy.

- 2.421 The patent policy as adopted shall apply to all persons employed by the component institutions of The University of Texas System, to anyone using University facilities under the supervision of University personnel, and to postdoctoral and predoctoral fellows.
- 2.422 It is the intent of this policy to permit staff members maximum freedom in respect to their findings, consistent with their obligations to the University. Any person affected by this policy who, as a result of

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- 2.43 Institutional Patent Committees and System Patent Office.
 - 2.431 Patent Committees: To help administer the patent policy at each component institution and to make recommendations to Chief Administrative Officers for further referral to the Deputy Chancellor and Board of Regents (in those cases when action by the Deputy Chancellor and/or the Board of Regents is required), Institutional Patent Committees shall be established as directed by the Deputy Chancellor.
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- 2.44 Classification of Discoveries by Source of Research Support.
 - 2.441 The patentable idea has developed as a result of the individual's efforts on his own time, with no direct University support or use of University facilities.
 - 2.442 The patentable idea has resulted from research performed by the individual on University time, with support by state funds, or using University facilities.
 - 2.443 The patentable idea has resulted from research supported by a grant or contract with the Federal Government or an agency thereof, or with a non-profit foundation, or by a private gift to the University.
 - 2.444 The patentable idea has resulted from research supported by commercial concerns or industry.

2.45 Property Rights and Obligations:

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- 2.451 Patentable ideas developed on an individual's own time and without direct University support or use of University facilities (see 2.441) are the exclusive property of the inventor, and the University has no interest in any patent obtained, and no claim to any profits resulting therefrom. Should the
 - inventor choose to offer his invention to the 4 University, the Institutional Patent Committee shall recommend as to whether the University should support and finance the patent application and manage the patent development. If the inventor makes his offer after obtaining the patent, the Institutional Patent Committee shall recommend as to whether the University should reimburse the inventor for his expenses in obtaining the patent. If the Patent Committee recommends and the invention is accepted for patent management by the University, the procedures to be followed and the rights of the parties shall be those set out in Subsection 2.4524 following.

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- 2.452 Patentable ideas resulting from research performed on University time, with support by State funds, or using University facilities (see 2.442).
 - 2.4521 The inventor may choose to publish the details of his research and not to patent.

Before or after publishing, if the 2.4522 inventor decides to patent ideas resulting from research done on University time, with support by State funds, or using University facilities, he shall submit such ideas to the Institutional Patent Committee for determination of the University's interest. In those instances, however, where delay would jeopardize obtaining the patent, the inventor may, with the approval of the Chairman of the Institutional Patent Committee and the Chief Administrative Officer, file the patent application prior to the Committee and administrative review provided in the following two subsections. If the request is granted, the inventor may proceed with the filing of his patent application pending the determination of the University's interest as provided therein; provided, however, that the inventor shall be reimbursed for his expenses in filing the patent application if the decision of the University is to assert and exploit its interests. The Chairman of the Institutional Patent Committee shall notify the System Patent Office of any such application. If the Institutional Patent Committee recommends that the University not assert and exploit its interest, and that recommendation is approved by the System Patent Officer and the Deputy Chancellor, the

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inventor shall be notified within ninety (90) days of the date of submission that he is free to obtain and exploit a patent in his own right and the University shall not have any further rights, obligations or duties thereto. (In some instances, the Committee may elect to impose certain limitations or obligations, dependent upon the degree of University support.) 2.4524 If the University decides to patent and assert and exploit its interest, it shall proceed either through its own efforts or those of a patent agent to obtain and manage the patent. The division of rovalties or other income, patenting and licensing costs first being recaptured, shall be as follows:

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The division of royalties and other income from patents managed by a patent agent will be controlled by the University's agreement with such agent, as approved by the Board of Regents. Any other deviation from this rule requires the prior approval of the Board of Regents.

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2.4531 Administrative approval of application requests to, and acceptance of grants or contracts with, the Federal Government, or any agency thereof, or with a non-profit foundation, implies a definite decision that the value to the University of receiving the grant or performing the contract outweighs the impact of any resulting change in the basic patent policy of the University.

2.4532 The patent policy of the University is subject to, and thus amended and superseded by, the specific terms pertaining to patent rights included in Federal grants and contracts, or grants and contracts with non-profit foundations, to the extent of any conflict.

2.4533 In those instances where it is possible to negotiate System-wide patent agreements with the Federal agencies or non-profit foundations and thereby obtain more favorable treatment for the inventor and the University, every effort will be made to do so after consultation with the Institutional Patent Committees and the Chief Administrative Officer.

- 2.454 Patentable ideas resulting from research supported by a grant or contract with commercial concerns and industry. (see 2.444)
 - 2.4541 The University of Texas System recognizes the academic advantages which can come from close scientific cooperation between the research staffs of the University and the research staffs of industry.

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The provisions of joint research arrangements with industry shall take into account (a) the extent of the industrial participant's contribution of funds and other services, including unique knowledge; (b) the import of the joint effort to the research and educational program of the University; (c) the protection of the personal achievements of the University participant or participants; and (d) most importantly, the interests of the State and its citizens who provide basic fiscal support. 2.4543 Balancing the equities between these different interests may require the joint arrangement to contain provisions for (a) nonexclusive licensing; (b) granting exclusive information prior to publication or patent application; (c) royalty free non-exclusive license; (d) exclusive license for some limited period of time; (e) exclusive license for the life of the patent; or (f) such other provisions as will properly equate the equities involved, including the right of the University to terminate an exclusive license upon failure of the industrial participant to develop or exploit the invention in a manner which will enhance the interests of the public. 2.4544 All such arrangements or contracts with industrial participants shall be approved in advance by the Institutional Patent Committee and recommended and approved by the Chief Administrative Officer, the Deputy Chancellor, and the Board of Regents. 2.4545 Any agreement altering the basic patent policy of The University of Texas as set out in the

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- 2.4 Patent Policy. --Where no specific contract to the contrary has been approved by the Board of Regents, the following policy applies to patents obtained by employees of The University of Texas System:
 - 2.41 The title to the patent for a discovery or invention by an employee shall belong to the employee subject to the following provisions:
 - 2.411 When total net royalties, or other compensations, are less than \$1,000, no payment to The University of Texas System is required.
 - 2.412 When net royalties, or other compensations, amount to more than \$1,000 but less than \$5,000, 10 percent of the excess of such royalties or other compensations over \$1,000 shall be paid to The University of Texas System.
 - 2.413 When net royalties, or other compensations, amount to more than \$5,000, the royalty or other compensation paid The University of Texas System will be 10 percent on the amount above \$1,000 but less than \$5,000, and 20 percent on all amounts of \$5,000 or more.
 - 2.414 Where contributions have been made to research projects by private donors, nonexclusive licenses on all inventions or discoveries resulting from such research may be issued on a reasonable basis without discrimination in favor of or against those making contributions in aid of the research.
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- 4.4 The program elements for this general training program are:
 - 4.41 Identifying staff members who need staff development in order to determine the exact kind and scope of program needed;
 - 4.42 Training individuals for current assignments and developing them for future assignments, as a means of improving the quality and quantity of work done;
 - 4.43 Developing all supervisors to enable them to assume and discharge their primary responsibility for the maximum utilization of personnel, the training of their staff members, and the maintenance of sound employee relations;
 - 4.44 Advising and assisting employees with respect to continuing education, and means by which they can improve their usefulness;
 - 4.45 Evaluating all training and education activities to determine whether they have effectively met the needs of The University of Texas System.
- 4.5 With these objectives and general program elements as a background, four specific training programs are established. The administration and implementation of the following training programs at each component is to be primarily the task and responsibility of the Institutional Personnel Officer, with approval of the Chief Administrative Officer. The System Personnel Director shall have the responsibility of coordinating all training programs through review and approval of training policies promulgated by the component institution.
- 4.6 College or University Degree Program.
 - 4.61 Definition: This Program will provide graduate or undergraduate level training leading to a degree. Basically, it provides for fulltime student enrollment and is to be for selected, qualified employees of The University of Texas System. This program will be provided by the University on the basis of need of the University and to the extent funds are available.
 - 4.62 Objectives: To provide a college or university education for qualified University of Texas System employees specifically required in their area of employment.
 - 4.63 Program Elements: This training is essentially of only one type: to provide full-time student enrollment in a graduate or undergraduate program leading to a degree.
 - 4.64 Administration: Eligibility Requirements
 - 4.641 Selected employees must have necessary academic qualifications to meet all entrance requirements of the college or university where training is provided.
 - 4.642 Degree training must be directly related to an existing job or job series used by The University of Texas System.
 - 4.643 Selected employees must be scheduled for appointment to a job requiring the degree training on completion of schooling.

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- 4.72 Objectives: To equip an individual to perform a particular task within a particular situation and/or to equip the employee to deal with new technological and legal developments, to develop additional work capabilities, or increase his level of competence.
- 4.73 Program Elements: In-service training and education programs are divided into the following three principal categories:
 - 4.731 Orientation serves the purpose of acquainting the employee to a new job situation. It does not include the development of skills for that particular job situation.
 - 4.732 Basic Training for a Specific Task includes preemployment and recruit type training involving job knowledge and/or the development of skills required for a specific task. It also includes training in supervisory and managerial skills.
 - 4.733 Advanced In-Service Training includes the development of a higher level of skill, an increase in job knowledge, and instruction in new concepts and changing aspects of job responsibility.
- 4.74 Administration: Eligibility Requirements. It is a basic responsibility of The University of Texas System to provide training as the individual situation may require. It is recognized that the need for some of these programs will vary according to skills required and the availability of pre-employment training. Manpower needs and the availability of skilled applicants may also be a determining factor. With this general background as reference, employees will be identified, selected, trained, and evaluated according to the needs of the University.
- 4.75 Administration: Obligations. The employee has an obligation to successfully complete the training program and should recognize that The University of Texas System will use this type of training as a continuation of the selection process.
- 4.8 Out-of-Agency Staff Development Program.
 - 4.81 Definition: This program is to provide training through workshops, seminars, institutes, training sessions, extension courses, college or university courses (with or without academic credit), and other special programs or activities offered either within or outside the State. Such programs must be of concentrated, precise content and designed to improve the individual's professional or technical knowledge in the performance of his present or prospective duties and responsibilities. This program is for selected individual staff members and will be provided on the basis of need of the University and to the extent funds are available.
 - 4.82 Objectives: To improve and enhance the individual's professional and technical knowledge and ability in the performance of his present or prospective duties and responsibilities.

- 4.83 Program Elements: This program is generally the type that meets the following criteria: relatively short term; specific in content; and presented outside the employing agency.
- 4.84 Administration: Eligibility Requirements.
 - 4.841 Out-of-Agency Staff Development education and training authorized by The University of Texas System will be conducted primarily for the benefit of The University of Texas System.
 - 4.842 The training and education must be related to the employee's current or prospective duty assignment during the period of his participation.
 - 4.843 Such training and education must be approved by the Chief Administrative Officer or someone delegated by him on recommendation of the head of the employing department or unit.
- 4.85 Administration: Obligations. Employees receiving Out-of-Agency Staff Development authorized by The University of Texas System will be obligated to fulfill such terms and conditions as the Chief Administrative Officer may prescribe, compatible with the nature and extent of the training or education.
- 4.9 Internship Training Program.
 - 4.91 Definition: Internship training is intended to provide the type of learning experience that can be obtained only through actual work experience. Internship programs will normally be of a longer duration than training mentioned under the headings of Out-of-Agency Staff Development and In-Service Training and Education. This training will be provided to those individuals selected under the standards listed below in 4.95, Eligibility Requirements. This training will be provided on the basis of need of the University and to the extent funds are available.
 - 4.92 Objectives: This type of training and education has a broader objective than other types of training in that it serves not only The University of Texas System but also the State of Texas in the following ways:
 - 4.921 It allows The University of Texas System and/or the State of Texas to screen potential employees while simultaneously enjoying an advantageous recruiting position.
 - 4.922 It facilitates the infusion of new people and new ideas into the information interchange which is continually taking place between State government and the University.
 - 4.923 It will allow the University and/or the State to gain trained personnel who can carry a heavier work load in a relatively short period of time.
 - 4.924 Internship programs produce a work product, although this is not the justification for any internship program.

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- 4.93 Program Elements: Type I Internships are those that are within The University of Texas System for Non-Employees of the State.
 - 4.931 Type I Internships are held with The University of Texas System by persons who are not employed by the State or the University.
 - 4.932 Such internships relate to the educational program of the person serving the internship, which suggests that there will be a constant interchange and evaluation between both The University of Texas System and the sponsor of the person's educational program.
 - 4.933 These internships should be initiated only to the extent that the University can provide a meaningful working role and learning experience.
 - 4.934 Type I Internships are not designed primarily to produce a work product. (Example: The employee of a private data processing equipment firm observing and being trained in the Data Processing Department of a component institution which serves as the training ground.)
- 4.94 Program Elements: Type II Internship Programs are for the State of Texas and/or University of Texas System employees.
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 - 4.943 The primary objective sought by both of the Type II internship programs is for the trainee to gain skills from the training agency and to promote the ability of persons to work with broader situations and more competently in the multi-levels of administration of the State or the University.

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- 4.944 A "No Proselyting" agreement should be secured in both of the Type II internship programs.
- 4.95 Administration: Eligibility Requirements.
 - 4.951 Internship education and training authorized by The University of Texas System will be conducted primarily for the benefit of The University of Texas System.
 - 4.952 Internship training and education must be approved by the Chief Administrative Officer or someone delegated by him on recommendation of the head of the employing department or unit.
- 4.96 Administration: Obligations.
 - 4.961 Type I No obligatory arrangement is required.
 - 4.962 Type II The following standards should be observed:
 - 4.9621 The need for these programs will vary according to skills required and the availability of pre-employment training within the State of Texas and/or The University of Texas System.
 - 4.9622 The employee has an obligation to successfully complete the training program and should recognize that the State of Texas and The University of Texas System will use this type of training as a continuation of the selection process.
 - 4.9623 Employees receiving internship training authorized by The University of Texas System will be obligated to fulfill such terms and conditions as the System Personnel Director may prescribe, compatible with the nature and extent of the training or education.
- Sec. 5. Other Regulations Concerning Personnel are Reported in the Rules and Regulations of the Board of Regents, Part One, as follows:

Physical Examination - Chapter III, Sec. 1.7, Page 27

Employment of Aliens - Chapter III, Sec. 3, Page 28

Indebtedness to The University of Texas System or the State - Chapter III, Sec. 28, Page 40

Appointment of Relative (Nepotism Rule) - Chapter III, Sec. 5, Page 29

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Absence from Usual and Regular Duties - Chapter III, Sec. 21, Page 37

Leaves of Absence Without Pay - Chapter III, Sec. 16, Page 36

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Outside Employment - Chapter III, Sec. 13, Page 35

Acceptance of Money from Students - Chapter III, Sec. 26, Page 39

Textbooks and Other Materials Prescribed for the Use of Students -Chapter III, Sec. 24, Page 38

Institutional Employees as Students - Chapter III, Sec. 30, Page 40

Power to Authorize Expenditures out of The University of Texas System Funds - Chapter III, Sec. 27, Page 39

Division of Salaries for Staff Engaged in Teaching and Non-teaching Activities - Chapter III, Sec. 18, Page 37

Compensation for Correspondence and Extension Teaching of Full-time Staff Members - Chapter III, Sec. 23, Page 38

Classified Personnel Systems - Chapter III, Sec. 2, Page 27

Code of Ethics - Chapter III, Sec. 4, Page 28

Tenure, Promotion, and Termination of Employment - Chapter III, Sec. 6, Page 30

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 - 2.52 The Quantity of Work rule provides that the student's combined employment and semester-hour load may not exceed forty hours per week. A student-employee may register for a thesis or dissertation course in addition to the course load authorized herein provided that his thesis or dissertation course does not require any absence from his place of employment.
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Classified Personnel Systems - Chapter III, Sec. 2, page 27.

Code of Ethics - Chapter III, Sec. 4, page 28.

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CHAPTER VI

STAFF BENEFITS

(Staff benefits may be subject to change by State and Federal Laws. Application in specific instances should be verified.)

Sec. 1. Teacher Retirement System.

- 1.1 There are two types of members in the Teacher Retirement System:
 - 1.11 Teacher members employees occupying positions as teachers, clerks, administrators, supervisors, and related occupations in educational institutions; and
 - 1.12 Auxiliary employees all other employees of educational institutions otherwise eligible, such as building attendants, carpenters, etc.
- 1.2 Effective September 1, 1972, any employee of The University of Texas System employed at least one-half time, whether paid on a monthly or hourly basis, and provided his employment will continue for a period of four and one-half (4 1/2) consecutive months, is eligible for and required by law to participate in the Teacher Retirement System, which became effective for teacher members September 1, 1937, and for auxiliary members September 1, 1949, except:
 - 1.21 persons eligible at those times who executed waivers within the period allowed by law and have not revoked such waiver if later permitted;
 - 1.22 members of the Employees Retirement System, about which information is given later; and
 - **1.23** participants under the Optional Retirement Program, about which information is given later.
- 1.3 Annual membership dues in the Teacher Retirement System are \$5, which amount is deducted from the first salary payment in a fiscal year. Members contribute 6 percent of their salary up to and including \$25,000 per year, with the maximum contribution of \$1,500 per year, which amount is deducted from the monthly salary payment. The contributions are sent monthly by the business offices to the Teacher Retirement System. Each year members receive a statement from the Teacher Retirement System, through the business offices, of their total contributions, plus accumulated interest through August 31 of the preceding year. Within the provisions of the law, the State also contributes to the member's account.
- 1.4 The annuity payable at retirement is based on the salaries earned by the member. Annuity payments are based upon the average salary earned in the five highest years of creditable service, not to exceed \$25,000 of salary for any one year beginning September 1, 1969. Years of service for the period September 1, 1957, through August 31, 1969, have a maximum limit of \$8,400.

- 1.5 When a member leaves the employment of the public schools, colleges, or universities of Texas, he may withdraw the amount of his contribution, plus accumulated interest, upon application, or he may leave the funds at interest for not more than five out of six consecutive years during which period he pays the annual membership dues. The performance of a period of active military duty by a member shall not be construed as absence from service; nor shall absence from service terminate membership if the member does not withdraw his accumulated contributions and has ten (10) or more years of creditable service, regardless of age, at or before the time he ceases to be employed in the public schools, colleges, or universities of Texas.
- 1.6 If a member dies before retirement, his beneficiary, depending upon the relationship to the member, will be entitled to death benefit payments or survivor benefit payments, whichever renders the greater advantage to the beneficiary. If there is no beneficiary with an insurable interest, payment will be limited to the accumulated contributions plus interest standing to the account of the member with the Teacher Retirement System.
- **1.7** Eligibility for retirement benefits is as follows:
 - 1.71 With ten years creditable service upon reaching age 65, member is entitled to retire with full benefits based on service rendered and salary earned. A teacher member is entitled to minimum benefits of \$75 per month. An auxiliary employee is entitled to minimum benefits of \$60 per month.
 - 1.72 With fifteen years creditable service upon reaching age 55, member is entitled to retire at reduced actuarial equivalent of benefit payable at age 65.
 - 1.73 With twenty years creditable service upon reaching age 60, member is entitled to retire with full benefits based on service rendered and salary earned. A teacher member is entitled to minimum benefits of \$130 per month. An auxiliary employee is entitled to minimum benefits of \$95 per month.
 - 1.74 With twenty years creditable service upon reaching age 55 or with thirty years creditable service at any age, member is entitled to retire at reduced actuarial equivalent of benefit payable at age 60.
- 1.8 Creditable service consists of prior service, former membership service, and current membership service. "Prior service" means service by such person as a teacher or auxiliary employee prior to (A) September 1, 1937, as relates to any person who became a member or who at any time on or before August 31, 1949, was eligible for membership in the Teacher Retirement System, or (B) September 1, 1949, as relates to any person who for the first time became eligible for membership in the Teacher Retirement System on or after September 1, 1949.

- 2.24 Any employee who becomes ineligible for the Optional Retirement Program, but is nevertheless eligible for Teacher Retirement, must rejoin Teacher Retirement (A.G. Op. No. M-647 [1970])
- 2.3 Effective Date of Participation
 - 2.31 Eligible employees in The University of Texas System employed as of September 1, 1968, shall elect to participate in the Optional Retirement Program no later than the first day of August, 1969. An eligible employee not exercising the option to participate in the Optional Retirement Program by August 1, 1969, is deemed to have chosen to continue membership in the Teacher Retirement System.
 - 2.32 Eligible employees of The University of Texas System employed September 2, 1968, or later, shall within ninety days following date of employment, elect to participate or not to participate in the Optional Retirement Plan. A person is automatically considered a member of the Teacher Retirement System Program unless he elects to participate in the Optional Retirement Program during the first ninety days of employment.
- 2.4 Contributions to Retirement Plan shall be as follows:
 - 2.41 The Optional Retirement Act authorizes a salary ceiling for contributions equivalent to the Teacher Retirement System. This ceiling, effective September 1, 1969, is 6 percent of the salary ceiling of \$25,000 per year.
- 2.5 The Deputy Chancellor's Office of The University of Texas System will approve the companies authorized to offer an Optional Retirement Plan to eligible members of The University of Texas System. Eligible carriers will be approved by the Deputy Chancellor's Office only after furnishing a letter of application that must include the following:
 - 2.51 A statement that the company is qualified and admitted to do business in the State of Texas.
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 - 2.53 A statement that the company will observe The University of Texas System's Rules and Regulations regarding the retirement program.

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- 4.2 Any employee employed at least one-half time or more is eligible for coverage. An insured employee's spouse and unmarried children between the ages of 19 and 25 may also be covered.
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- 4.6 Under the Hospital Benefits and Doctor Benefits portions of the contract, specified amounts are provided under the three plans for room and board allowance, benefit period, surgical benefits, and other specified items.
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- 4.8 An insurance continuation provision is available for employees who leave the employment of the University or who retire.

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- 5.2 The amount of insurance available is based on a schedule that may not exceed two times annual earnings with a maximum of \$50,000. Annual earnings for academic personnel shall be the nine-month or twelve-month academic rate, as applicable. Annual earnings for nonteaching personnel shall be the twelvemonth rate. When an employee classification changes, due to increase or decrease in earnings, including Modified Service, the amount of the insurance will be adjusted on the annual renewal date (January 1) following the date of the change provided the employee is available for work.
- 5.3 No medical examination is required if application is made for insurance within 60 days from date of employment. After the 60-day period, an "Evidence of Insurability" form, prepared by the company and available through the personnel office, is required. No medical examination is required if this form is accepted by the company after review, but, if it is not accepted, the applicant must have a medical examination at his expense.
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attained 62 years of age with at least 10 years of coverage under the insurance; or (3) the policyholder converts the group policy into one for regular individual life insurance. When an employee retires, the amount of insurance will be reduced to \$5,000 or the amount in force immediately prior to retirement, whichever is less, provided the employee has been insured continuously during the 10 years prior to retirement.

5.8 The life insurance will cease at the end of the last policy month for which a contribution was made except that if death should occur within thirty-one days thereafter, the death benefits will be payable. Within this thirty-one day period, by making application and paying the first premium to the Aetna Life Insurance Company, one may convert his Group Life Insurance to an individual life insurance policy on any regular Whole Life or Endowment Plan. This individual policy will be issued without medical examination at the Insurance Company's regular rates.

Sec. 6 Supplemental Cash Value Paid-Up at Age 65 Life Insurance Plan

- 6.1 Supplemental Group Cash Value Paid-Up at Age 65 Life Insurance was made available to employees of The University of Texas System by a rider to the group term life insurance master policy with the Aetna Life Insurance Company. Premiums remain level and are based on the age of the insured at the time he enrolls or, if he increases coverage, his age at the time he changes the amount of insurance. The program is optional and is available to any employee insured under the maximum (two times annual earnings) group term life insurance who has not attained age 65. In order to be eligible for group term life insurance, an individual must be employed at least one-half time or more. New employees are notified of their eligibility at the time of employment. The plan became effective initially April 1, 1972.
- 6.2 The amount of insurance available is based on a schedule of annual earnings and is in units of \$5,000, \$10,000, or \$15,000. Annual earnings for academic personnel shall be the nine month or twelve month rate, as applicable. Annual earnings for nonacademic personnel shall be the twelve month rate. For personnel paid on an hourly basis, the annual earnings shall be the hourly rate times 2,080 hours. When an employee becomes eligible for a greater amount of insurance, a new request form must be completed, and coverage will become effective on the annual renewal date, April 1st, of this plan.
- 6.3 No medical examination is required if application is made for insurance within sixty (60) days from date of employment. After sixty (60) days the insurance company will require that the employee furnish evidence of insurability at his own expense before he can obtain the insurance.

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Sec. 6. Group Long Term Disability Income Insurance.

- 6.1 The University of Texas System carries a master group long term disability income insurance policy, covering all institutions, with the Aetna Life Insurance Company. Premiums are payable monthly in advance, by payroll deduction, and the rate applies to the monthly rate of basic earnings of each covered employee regardless of age. The program is optional but is available only to faculty members with the rank of Instructor or higher, or monthly salaried employees appointed at least one-half time. New employees are notified of their eligibility by the personnel office at the time of employment. The plan became effective initially on October 1, 1965.
- 6.2 Monthly rate of basic earnings is the rate in effect on the March 1 before the start of an individual's disability. Furthermore, monthly rate of basic earnings is defined as 1/9 of the base rate for academic personnel paid on a nine-month basis and 1/12 of the base annual rate for non-teaching employees or any other person paid on a twelve-month basis. In no case shall monthly rate of basic earnings exceed \$4,166.66 per month. All premiums and benefits are payable 12 months per year.
- 6.3 The plan guarantees benefits of 65% of the monthly rate of pay up to maximum monthly benefits of \$2,708.33 per month, and any extra compensation is excluded. The plan will pay all of the 65% guarantee if the insured is not eligible for "other income benefits." If he is eligible for "other income benefits," the plan will add to the total

- 6.4 If an employee elects a lesser amount of insurance than annual earnings permit, or does not take an insurance increase that he is eligible for, he will be unable to elect an additional amount of insurance, regardless of the circumstances, without evidence of insurability. No medical examination is required if evidence of insurability is accepted by the company after review, but if it is not accepted, the applicant must have a medical examination at his own expense.
- 6.5 Beneficiaries are designated by the insured on the application forms and may be changed during the life of the policy upon application to the business or personnel offices. Each insured receives a certificate issued by the company and transmitted through the business office or personnel office.
- 6.6 The Plan provides employees with the option, upon retirement at age 65, to elect either the cash value of the policy or life insurance protection after age 65 that is paid-up, and requires no further premium payments. If an employee leaves The University of Texas System prior to retirement, he has the option of electing the cash value of the policy or taking his paid-up insurance with him.
- 6.7 A waiver of premium is provided for an insured who becomes totally and permanently disabled before age sixty (60). Provided disability has lasted nine months and proofs of disability are accepted, contributions will cease and no further contributions will be required as long as the employee remains disabled.
- 6.8 Benefits at death are payable to the beneficiary in lump sums or in regular installments. Upon notification of death of an insured, the personnel officer assists in the preparation of the required records to be sent to the insurance company.
- 6.9 Participation in this plan terminates when the employee terminates unless the insured retires under bona-fide retirement provisions of the Teacher Retirement System, the Employee's Retirement System, or the Optional Retirement Program. A person may continue to keep the coverage, however, during a period of temporary lay-off or official leave of absence by paying a sufficient amount in advance through the business office of the appropriate component institution to cover contributions that will become due during the period of leave.
- 6.10 The life insurance under this plan will cease at the end of the last policy month for which a contribution was made, except, that if death should occur within 31 days thereafter, the death benefits will be payable. Within this 31-day period, by making application and paying the first premium to the Aetna Life Insurance Company, one may convert a part of his cash value insurance to an individual life insurance policy or any regular whole life or endowment plan. The part that is convertible is the difference between the amount of insurance in force and the amount of paid-up insurance available in accordance with the non-forfeiture provision of the plan. The premiums will be based on the age of the insured at the time of conversion.
- 6.11 When an employee terminates and he does not wish to convert to another insurance plan, he may elect to withdraw the cash value or

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 - 7.3 The plan guarantees benefits of 65% of the monthly rate of pay up to maximum monthly benefits of \$2,708.33 per month, and any extra compensation is excluded. The plan will pay all of the 65% guarantee if the insured is not eligible for "other income benefits." If he is eligible for "other income benefits," the plan will add to the total of "other income benefits" to make up this 65% guarantee. In general, the plan counts as "other income benefits" any wages, salary, or other remuneration a person might receive from his component institution, or from any other employer, while he is eligible for income benefits from the plan. Also counted are any disability benefits payable under any law or under any plan sponsored by The University of Texas System.
 - 7.4 Covered employees will be eligible for the first income payment from the plan after having been "totally disabled" throughout a qualifying period of 90 days. Payments will be made as of the end of each calendar month. Benefits continue to be paid as long as a person is "totally disabled"; however, all income payments will stop when a person recovers, dies, or reaches age 65, whichever happens first.

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- 7.5 No medical examination is required if application is made for insurance within 60 days from date of employment. After the 60-day period, an "Evidence of Insurability" form prepared by the company and available through the personnel office is required. No medical examination is required if this form is accepted by the company after review, but, if it is not so accepted, the applicant must have a medical examination at his expense.
- 7.6 Each policyholder receives a certificate issued by the company which is prepared and transmitted through the business office or personnel office.
- 7.7 The insurance of any employee under this policy shall terminate at the earliest time specified below:
 - 7.71 Upon discontinuance of the policy.
 - 7.72 At the end of a policy month during which the employee's employment with The University of Texas System in the classes eligible for the insurance terminates.
 - 7.73 On the date the employee attains the age of 65 years.
- 7.8 A person may continue to keep the coverage during periods of official Leave of Absence upon the direct payment of premiums through the business office of the appropriate component institution.

Sec. 8. Group Accident Insurance.

- 8.1 Group Accident Insurance was made available to employees of The University of Texas System by a rider to the Long Term Disability Insurance Master Policy with the Aetna Life Insurance Company. The Group Accident Plan became effective February 1, 1968, and is available to any employee under age 70 employed at least one-half time or more. Eligible employees can join the plan either during the first 60 days of their employment or during an annual enrollment period in December of each year for coverage effective February 1.
- 8.2 Coverage under the Group Accident Plan is provided to insure against accidental death (in such areas as travel by automobile and travel on an aircraft being used solely for the transportation of passengers, and the coverage is extended to travel outside of the United States). The death benefit is also provided if an individual becomes totally disabled while insured before age 60 as a result of an accident of the type covered by the plan. Scheduled dismemberment benefits are also provided for specified losses.
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exceeds 10 times his annual salary (for academic personnel the 12month equivalent of their 9-month contract salary is used in computing the maximum amount of coverage allowable). Employees who select coverage for themselves may also take coverage for their spouses in an amount between \$10,000 up to a maximum of 50 percent of the amount actually taken for themselves. Unmarried children under age 19 are automatically covered for \$1,000 from the spouse's coverage, unless waived by the employee. Also, unmarried children 19 years of age and over who are regularly attending school and depend solely upon the employee for support are eligible as dependents until their 23rd birthday.

Sec. 9, Workmen's Compensation Insurance.

- 9.1 The Workmen's Compensation Insurance Program is on a Systemwide, self-insuring basis, financed by setting aside not more than 2 percent of the annual payroll of covered employees, and provides certain benefits for injuries sustained on the job. These benefits include payments for reasonable medical aid, hospitalization, etc.; total or partial incapacity; specific losses; and death.
- 9.2 The System Personnel Director, with the cooperation and assistance of other appropriate officials of The University of Texas System or its component institutions, investigates accidents and injuries, and endeavors to develop, publish, and enforce safety rules and regulations. His office keeps a complete record of all injuries on the job and is responsible for reporting them to the Industrial Accident Board. His office is responsible for the System-wide coordination of occupational safety and health activities, and for administration and enforcement of state and national laws and standards applicable to occupational safety and health.

9.3 All employees whose names appear on the payrolls are eligible except:

- 9.31 Administrative staff, including officers of the administration;
- **9.**32 Teaching staff, research staff, clerical and office employees and supervisory staffs unless hazardous work is required, such as handling or working in close proximity with dangerous chemicals, materials, machinery, or equipment; working in a dangerous area; performing manual labor; traveling regularly, or being exposed to hazards of occupational disease; and
- 9.33 Persons paid on a piece-work basis or any basis other than by the hour, day, week, month, or year.
- 9.4 Eligible employees who do not wish coverage may waive all rights to the benefits at the time of appointment. However, the waiver may be revoked at any time during continuous employment and the employee covered by insurance 30 days after the application form is signed, upon taking the necessary physical examination and being certified as physically fit.

- 9.5 A physical examination by a designated physician is required for all persons to be covered, and before the individual's name can be placed on the payroll, the executed original of the examination form must be filed in the System Personnel Office. The Supervisor furnishes a list of physicians for these examinations that must be approved by the System Personnel Director. The physician's fee is paid by the System Personnel Office for each examination. Persons who fail to pass the physical examination cannot be covered by the insurance. They may be employed only after signing a waiver of all rights.
 - 9.6 A notice of coverage is signed by all employees who are covered, with the original filed in the Workmen's Compensation Insurance Division of the System Personnel Office before a name is placed on the payroll. All personnel forms and payrolls include pertinent information on Workmen's Compensation Insurance by a symbol or other notation.
- 9.7 The percentage of annual payroll, within the 2 percent mentioned in Subsection 9.1 above, is approved by the Board of Regents, and the amount is set aside from available appropriation other than itemized salary appropriations. Institutional chief business officers shall prepare and send to the System Personnel Director a monthly report of covered employees showing the source of their salaries and a check and/or state warrant for the amount due. These checks will be deposited in a depository bank and the State Comptroller will be requested to transfer the amounts due on payrolls paid from State funds to the Workmen's Compensation Insurance Fund.
- 9.8 Physicians are designated for treatment and care of injured employees upon recommendation of the Supervisor and approval of the System Personnel Director and are called for treatment when possible, though other competent physicians may be authorized for treatment at the request of the employee. Emergency treatment, however, may be provided by any available physician and at any hospital, including institutional health centers or hospitals. The insured employee and the physician in charge choose the hospital to be used, except as indicated for emergency treatment. The designated physician authorized to treat injured employees files a Surgeon's Report with the Supervisor when treatment is first given. Fees for services rendered should be reasonable and fair and commensurate with services performed. They are, by law, subject to control of the Industrial Accident Board.
- 9.9 The Supervisor of a covered employee who is injured during the course of employment must file a complete report with the Supervisor of the Workmen's Compensation Insurance Office whether or not time is lost

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- 9.10 A covered employee disabled from work due to an on-the-job injury may remain on the payroll until his earned vacation and sick leave are exhausted or may request use of any reasonable portion thereof, during which time full medical benefits will remain available. Should an employee continue to remain disabled from work after earned vacation and sick leave are exhausted, provided such accrued leave totals seven days or more, there will be no waiting period before weekly compensation benefits accrue. Employees who have no sick leave or vacation accrued will be subject to a 7-day waiting period, for which they will be compensated in the event disability lasts 28 days or more. Vacation and sick leave used due to an on-the-job injury, are not charged against holidays, weekends, or other authorized days off.
- 9.11 The weekly compensation benefit for a covered employee injured in the course of his work is equal to 66 2/3 percent of the average weekly earnings for the 12 months immediately preceding injury, though not more nor less than the amount set forth in Article 8306, Section 29, Vernon's Texas Civil Statutes. Compensation to an employee on less than a full work day basis is not more than 66 2/3 percent of his average weekly earnings, with the same maximum as the amount set forth in Article 8306, Section 29, Vernon's Texas Civil Statutes. Benefits may be paid for no longer than 401 weeks from date of removal from payroll for total incapacity and no longer than 300 weeks for partial incapacity for work. For specific injuries, the Supervisor has information available on request concerning benefits for specific injuries such as the loss of a hand or eye. In case of death, benefits shall be the same as those provided in Article 8306, Section 8, Vernon's Texas Civil Statutes.
- 9.12 Payment for medical aid, hospitalization and compensation is through the System Personnel Office.
- 9.13 The System Personnel Office shall issue an annual report through proper channels to the Deputy Chancellor and to the Secretary to the Board of Regents for the information of the members of the Board which shall include at least the following information for each component institution: the total claims and number of days lost, total compensation and medical benefits paid, receipts, and total expenditures including allocation of overhead. The report shall also include the balance in the fund at the beginning of the fiscal year, total receipts including interest, total disbursements, and balance in the fund at the end of the fiscal year.

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Sec. 10. Unemployment Compensation Program

- 10.1 The University of Texas System Unemployment Compensation Program, effective January 1, 1972, and thereafter, is administered on a System-wide basis. Under the program, certain weekly benefits are payable to former employees who were separated from employment with The University of Texas System under conditions specified in the Texas Unemployment Compensation Act and are unable to find suitable employment. Two methods of funding the cost of approved claims for such former employees will be in effect, as follows:
 - 10.11 For former employees whose salaries were paid from State General Revenue Funds, the cost of approved claims chargebacks are paid by the State Comptroller as provided in the current State General Appropriation Act. Initially, the Texas Employment Commission (TEC) pays approved claims and, quarterly, notifies the State Comptroller's Office and the appropriate University of Texas System component institution of the claims amounts paid by individual. TEC bills the State Comptroller's Office, which makes payments to TEC from State General Revenue Funds appropriated for this purpose. Administration of claims, periodic reporting of salaries paid, and other aspects of administering the program for employees whose salaries are paid out of State General Revenue are the same as for those whose salaries are not paid out of State General Revenue, except that the assessments provided in Subsection 10.4 are not applied to salaries paid from State General Revenue Funds, or such other exceptions as are deemed by the System Personnel Director to be necessary for effective administration.

- 9.13 Payment for physical examinations, medical aid, hospitalization and compensation is through the System Personnel Office.
- 9.14 The System Personnel Office shall issue an annual report through proper channels to the Chancellor and to the Secretary of the Board of Regents for the information of the members of the Board which shall include at least the following information: the names of all employees receiving workmen's compensation benefits during the preceding year, and for each such employee the number of separate incidents involving loss of time, the total working days lost, and the total compensation received; a list of physicians to whom payments were made and the totals paid to each.

Sec. 10. Unemployment Compensation Program

- 10.1 The University of Texas System Unemployment Compensation Program, effective January 1, 1972, and thereafter, is administered on a System-wide basis. Under the program, certain weekly benefits are payable to former employees who were separated from employment with The University of Texas System under conditions specified in the Texas Unemployment Compensation Act and are unable to find suitable employment. Two methods of funding the cost of approved claims for such former employees will be in effect, as follows:
 - 10.11 For former employees whose salaries were paid from State General Revenue Funds, the cost of approved claims chargebacks are paid by the State Comptroller as provided in the current State General Appropriation Act. Initially, the Texas Employment Commission (TEC) pays approved claims and, quarterly, notifies the State Comptroller's Office and the appropriate University of Texas System component institution of the claims amounts paid by individual. TEC bills the State Comptroller's Office, which makes payments to TEC from State General Revenue Funds appropriated for this purpose. Administration of claims, periodic reporting of salaries paid, and other aspects of administering the program for employees whose salaries are paid out of State General Revenue are the same as for those whose salaries are not paid out of State General Revenue, except that the assessments provided in Subsection 10.4 are not applied to salaries paid from State General Revenue Funds, or such other exceptions as are deemed by the System Personnel Director to be necessary for effective administration.

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- For former employees whose salaries were paid from funds other than State General Revenue, the cost of approved claims chargebacks is paid initially by the State Comptroller as specified under 10.11 above. Quarterly, or periodically as otherwise required by the State Comptroller, The University of Texas System, by check made payable to the State Comptroller, reimburses the State General Revenue Fund from The University of Texas System Unemployment Compensation Insurance Fund, a self-insurance fund described in Subsection 10.4.
- The System Personnel Director, working in close cooperation 10.2 with the System Comptroller and other appropriate officials of the System and its component institutions, is responsible for:
 - 10.21 Administering the Unemployment Compensation Program for all employees of The University of Texas System, with the assistance of appropriate institutional officials.
 - 10.22 Determining the University's official position regarding claims protests in questionable cases, and assisting component officials in protest hearings.
 - 10.23 Representing the institutions in all cases where claims are appealed to Appeals Tribunal or Commission Review and assisting the State Attorney General as required in representing the System with institutional participation in all cases in court actions provided for in the law.
 - 10.24 Establishing and maintaining such additional policies and procedures as are necessary for the effective administration of the program as provided under existing statutes and these Rules and Regulations, including requirements for employee separation and claims administration, informing affected personnel about the Unemployment Compensation Program, and analyzing statistical data as needed.
 - 10.25 Administering the Unemployment Compensation Insurance Fund and all policies and procedures necessary to bring about effective fund management and loss control for the Unemployment Compensation Program.
 - 10.26 Maintaining records of all claims filed and paid, all chargebacks, and other records necessary to separate approved claims information applicable to student employment and extending such record-keeping to any additional group(s) of employees for which such analysis may be deemed by the System Personnel Director to be necessary for effective administration, including

records necessary to determine individual "benefit ratios" under Subsection 10.61 for each of the following categories of fund sources:

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- Other than State General Revenue
 - (a) Organized Research (including contract research and services)
 - (b) Educational Service Agreements (including training grants)
 - (c) Organized Activities Related to Educational Departments (including hospitals and clinics)
 - (d) Auxiliary Enterprises
 - (e) All Other
- 10.3 All services performed in the employ of The University of Texas System are deemed to constitute employment and are provided for under the Unemployment Compensation Program. However, benefits based on service in an instructional, research, or principal administrative capacity are not payable between two contractual periods of service, as specified in the Texas Unemployment Compensation Act.
- 10.4 The System-wide Unemployment Compensation Insurance Fund is established January 1, 1972, to accumulate necessary funds to pay reimbursements to the State Comptroller for claims of former employees whose salaries were not paid out of State General Revenue Funds. Sources of all salaries other than State General Revenue are charged an assessment beginning on the effective date and each month or payroll period thereafter. Checks covering these charges will be forwarded monthly to the System Personnel Director for deposit in the Unemployment Compensation Insurance Fund. Following the close of each calendar guarter, or such other reporting period as may be deemed by the System Personnel Director to be necessary for effective administration, institutional chief business officers will prepare and send to the System Personnel Office reports itemizing by employees the salaries reported to the TEC and the amounts of such salaries subject to assessment. The reported assessable salaries will be reconciled to the checks submitted monthly in payment of the assessments. The reports will also contain such other information as may be required for effective reporting. In instances in which amounts may be due the Unemployment Compensation Insurance Fund from the State Comptroller for adjustments on claims paid, assessments, or as otherwise deemed necessary by the institutional chief business officers for effective and commensurate allocation of assessments or approved claims chargebacks, the State Comptroller is requested to issue a state warrant for the amount due.

- 10.5 Separate and apart from all other System monies or funds, an Unemployment Compensation Fund, administered under the same custodianship as other monies administered by the University, is established and maintained in one or more regular depositories of the University, secured by collateral in accordance with state statutory requirements. The fund consists of all assessments collected, all interest earned on deposits of any monies in the fund, and all other monies received for the fund from any other source. This fund is designated as a "revolving fund" under the "University of Texas Central Services Account" provision of the current General Appropriation Act. Expenditures from the Unemployment Compensation Insurance Fund are restricted to direct costs: payments and chargebacks of approved Unemployment Compensation claims, and System administrative costs not to exceed five percent per year of the balance in the fund at the beginning of each preceding year. Investments or time deposits of such funds are in accordance with regular University policies.
- 10.6 The University of Texas System Unemployment Compensation Insurance Fund operates under principles and methods generally consistent with those established by the Texas Unemployment Compensation Act for operation of the State Unemployment Compensation Fund.
 - 10.61 After an initial development period (as provided in Subdivision 10.62) assessment rates will be computed based upon principles and methods consistent with provisions in the Texas Unemployment Compensation Act for determination of "Contribution" rates. In applying these principles, "benefit ratios ' will be developed for determination of basic rates which will be adjusted (decreased or increased, respectively) by one-tenth of one percent for each \$25,000 or fraction thereof by which the amount in the Unemployment Compensation Insurance Fund exceeds \$1,755,000 or is less than \$1,215,000. Such computation will be made at the beginning of each calendar year, and the assessment rate(s) so calculated, but in no event less than onetenth of one percent, will be applicable to the fiscal year beginning within that calendar year.

Compensation experience and fund balances will be developed during the period January 1, 1972 through August 31, 1976. Assessment rates during this initial development period are as follows:

10.621 January 1, 1972 through August 31, 1973, the assessment rate is 2.7 percent applied to salaries and wages up to \$4,200 per employee per calendar year.

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September 1, 1973 through August 31, 1976, the assessment rates are subject to approval of the Board of Regents based upon determinations by System Administration after review of all available data on loss experience and levels of fund balances.

- 10.63 A single assessment rate is charged to all affected fund sources on a nondiscriminatory basis throughout The University of Texas System, unless differential rates are found to be desirable as between categories of funding sources and such differential rates are approved by the Board of Regents.
- 10.7 In the event that the amount in the Unemployment Compensation Insurance Fund is fully depleted and further reimbursement payments create a deficit in the fund, at the end of any month, such deficit will be recovered by additional emergency assessments which the component institutions will fund by distribution of the costs to all accounts based upon the covered wages which had been charged to the accounts during the month and paid from funds other than State General Revenue.
- 10.8 The System Personnel Office will issue an annual report to include separate reporting of income and disbursements by institution, fund categories, and such other information as may be deemed necessary for effective administration.

Sec. 11. Social Security (Old Age and Survivors Insurance).

11.1 As an employer, The University of Texas System complies with the relevant provisions of the Social Security Act. All employees are required to participate in the Federal Social Security Program as a condition of employment.

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CHAPTER VI

STAFF BENEFITS

(Staff benefits may be subject to change by State and Federal Laws. Application in specific instances should be verified.)

- Sec. 1. Teacher Retirement System.
 - 1.1 There are two types of members in the Teacher Retirement System:
 - 1.11 Teacher members employees occupying positions as teachers, clerks, administrators, supervisors, and related occupations in educational institutions; and
 - 1.12 Auxiliary employees all other employees of educational institutions otherwise eligible, such as building attendants, carpenters, etc.
 - 1.2 All employees of The University of Texas System employed on a regular salaried basis are required by law to participate in the Teacher Retirement System, which became effective for teacher members September 1, 1937, and for auxiliary members September 1, 1949, except persons eligible at those times who executed waivers within the period allowed by law and have not revoked such waiver if later permitted, and members of the Employees Retirement System about which information is given later.
 - 1.3 Annual membership dues in the Teacher Retirement System are \$5, which amount is deducted from the first salary payment in a fiscal year. Members contribute 6 percent of their salary up to and including \$25,000 per year, with the maximum contribution of \$1,500 per year, which amount is deducted from the monthly salary payment. The contributions are sent monthly by the business offices to the Teacher Retirement System. Each year members receive a statement from the Teacher Retirement System, through the business offices, of their total contributions, plus accumulated interest through August 31 of the preceding year. Within the provisions of the law, the State also contributes to the member's account.
 - 1.4 The annuity payable at retirement is based on the salaries earned by the member. Annuity payments are based upon the average salary earned in the five highest years of creditable service, not to exceed \$25,000 of salary for any one year beginning September 1, 1969. Years of service for the period September 1, 1957, through August 31, 1969, have a maximum limit of \$8,400.

- 1.5 When a member leaves the employment of the public schools, colleges, or universities of Texas, he may withdraw the amount of his contribution, plus accumulated interest, upon application, or he may leave the funds at interest for not more than five out of six consecutive years during which period he pays the annual membership dues. The performance of a period of active military duty by a member shall not be construed as absence from service; nor shall absence from service terminate membership if the member does not withdraw his accumulated contributions and has ten (10) or more years of creditable service, regardless of age, at or before the time he ceases to be employed in the public schools, colleges, or universities of Texas.
- 1.6 If a member dies before retirement, his beneficiary, depending upon the relationship to the member, will be entitled to death benefit payments or survivor benefit payments, whichever renders the greater advantage to the beneficiary. If there is no beneficiary with an insurable interest, payment will be limited to the accumulated contributions plus interest standing to the account of the member with the Teacher Retirement System.
- 1.7 Eligibility for retirement benefits is as follows:
 - 1.71 With ten years creditable service upon reaching age 65, member is entitled to retire with full benefits based on service rendered and salary earned. A teacher member is entitled to minimum benefits of \$75.00 per month. An auxiliary employee is entitled to minimum benefits of \$50.00 per month.
 - 1.72 With fifteen years creditable service upon reaching age 55, member is entitled to retire at reduced actuarial equivalent of benefit payable at age 65.
 - 1.73 With twenty years creditable service upon reaching age 60, member is entitled to retire with full benefits based on service rendered and salary earned. A teacher member is entitled to minimum benefits of \$100.00 per month. An auxiliary employee is entitled to minimum benefits of \$75.00 per month.
 - 1.74 With twenty years creditable service upon reaching age 55 or with thirty years creditable service at any age, member is entitled to retire at reduced actuarial equivalent of benefit payable at age 60.
- 1.8 Creditable service consists of prior service, former membership service, and current membership service. "Prior service" means service by such person as a teacher or auxiliary employee prior to (A) September 1, 1937, as relates to any person who became a member or who at any time on or before August 31, 1949, was eligible for membership in the Teacher Retirement System, or (B) September 1, 1949, as relates to any person who for the first time became eligible for membership in the Teacher Retirement System on or after September 1, 1949.

- 1.9 Information pertaining to options under which retirement benefits may be drawn and to reciprocal service between the Teacher and Employees Retirement Systems, as well as other information, may be secured from the component institution business or personnel office, the System Personnel Office, or the Teacher Retirement System in Austin.
- 1. 10 Few employees of The University of Texas System are members of the Employees Retirement System because they are no longer eligible for initial membership in this system. Only those who were eligible between September 1, 1947, and August 31, 1949, and who did not waive membership as of September 1, 1947, are now members. Beginning September 1, 1949, new employees who would previously have been eligible for this plan became eligible for membership in the Teacher Retirement System as auxiliary employees. Annual membership dues in this system are \$2, which sum is deducted from the first monthly salary payment in a fiscal year. Contributions of employees are 5 percent of the total salary earned, which is deducted from monthly salary payments.

Sec. 2. Optional Retirement Program.

- 2.1 Pursuant to Chapter 729, Acts of the 60th Legislature, Regular Session, 1967 (Article 2922-li, Vernon's Texas Civil Statutes), as amended, the Board of Regents of The University of Texas System has authorized:
 - 2.11 The establishment of an Optional Retirement Program in lieu of active membership in Teacher Retirement System of Texas to become effective September 1, 1968.
 - 2.12 Any insurance or annuity company qualified and admitted to do business in this State to offer an Optional Retirement Plan to eligible employees of The University of Texas System.
 - 2.13 The ceiling on both the employee's contribution and the State's matching contribution to the Optional Retirement Plan to be the same as is in effect for contributions to the Teacher Retirement System.
 - 2.14 Compliance with the terms and provisions of the Act, and further compliance with prescribed rules and regulations of the State Board of Insurance and The University of Texas System.
 - 2.2 Eligibility The following types of employees are eligible to participate in the Optional Retirement Program:
 - 2.21 All full-time faculty members appointed at least 4-1/2 months.
 - 2.22 All full-time administrative, research or professional personnel appointed for at least 4-1/2 months, excluding any person employed in a position which is in the classified personnel pay plan of a component institution of the University.
 - 2.23 A full-time person who enters the program and later reduces to part-time status will remain eligible for the Program.

- 2.24 Any employee who becomes ineligible for the Optional Retirement Program, but is nevertheless eligible for Teacher Retirement, must rejoin Teacher Retirement (A.G. Op. No. M-647 [1970])
- 2.3 Effective Date of Participation
 - 2.31 Eligible employees in The University of Texas System employed as of September 1, 1968, shall elect to participate in the Optional Retirement Program no later than the first day of August, 1969. An eligible employee not exercising the option to participate in the Optional Retirement Program by August 1, 1969, is deemed to have chosen to continue membership in the Teacher Retirement System.
 - 2.32 Eligible employees of The University of Texas System employed September 2, 1968, or later, shall within ninety days following date of employment, elect to participate or not to participate in the Optional Retirement Plan. A person is automatically considered a member of the Teacher Retirement System Program unless he elects to participate in the Optional Retirement Program during the first ninety days of employment.
- 2.4 Contributions to Retirement Plan shall be as follows:
 - 2.41 The Optional Retirement Act authorizes a salary ceiling for contributions equivalent to the Teacher Retirement System. This ceiling, effective September 1, 1969, is 6 percent of the salary ceiling of \$25,000 per year.
- 2.5 The Chancellor's Office of The University of Texas System will approve the companies authorized to offer an Optional Retirement Plan to eligible members of The University of Texas System. Eligible carriers will be approved by the Chancellor's Office only after furnishing a letter of application that must include the following:
 - 2.51 A statement that the company is qualified and admitted to do business in the State of Texas.
 - 2.52 A statement that the annuity contracts to be offered by the company are in accordance with Chapter 729, Acts of the 60th Legislature, Regular Session, 1967 (Article 2922-1i, <u>Vernon's Texas Civil Statutes</u>), as amended by Chapter 235, Acts of the 61st Legislature, Regular Session, 1969, and the contract offered has the approval of the State Board of Insurance.
 - 2.53 A statement that the company will observe The University of Texas System's Rules and Regulations regarding the retirement program.

- 2.54 A guarantee on the part of the company that the first year's State matching contribution (or fractional part thereof) will be refunded to The University of Texas System in the event the employee does not begin his second year of participation in the Optional Retirement Program.
- 2.55 A description of the company's procedure in allocating the State's first year matching contribution and an assurance that such procedure will enable the policy to retain its 403(b) tax deferred status during the first year of employee participation under a salary reduction agreement.
- 2.56 A statement that the company will comply with the provisions set out in the memorandum issued from Office of the Chancellor dated October 8, 1968, to Insurance and Annuity Companies in reference to the Optional Retirement Program.
- 2.57 A statement certifying that the company's contract to provide an annuity under The University of Texas System Optional Retirement Program does not contain a life insurance feature as referred to in A.G. Op. M-595 (1970).
- 2.58 The letter to be submitted by the company must be signed by either the President or General Counsel of the Company.
- 2.59 Specimen copies of all types of contracts to be offered by the carrier, both group and individual, must be submitted for approval with the letter of application.
- 2.6 The eligible member electing to participate in the Optional Retirement Plan shall elect the company he chooses if that company has been approved by the University.
- 2.7 There can be only one change in Optional Retirement Program carriers per person, and such change may be made only on September 1st of each year.
- 2.8 Application blanks of authorized insurance carriers will not be furnished by the component institutions because of the possible large number of insurance carriers that may be authorized under the program. It is the responsibility of each individual interested in participating in the Optional Retirement Program to contact the authorized insurance carrier of his choice for an application blank.

- 2.9 A.G. Op. M-196 (1968) held that Section 7 of Article 2922-1i, <u>Vernon's Texas Civil Statutes</u>, violates Section 48a of Article 3 of the Texas Constitution. As a result of this ruling, benefits cannot be paid under the Optional Retirement Program to any individual also receiving benefits payable under other State pension retirement funds or direct aid from the State of Texas.
- 2.10 Optional Retirement programs provide for vesting of benefit rights after one year of participation in the program by the employee. Vesting is to be effective on the first day of employment after one year's participation in the program under The University of Texas System. Participation may be with more than one approved carrier (A.G. Op. M-420 [1969]).

Sec. 3. <u>Tax Deferred Annuities</u>.

- 3.1 Under a plan approved by the Board of Regents, employees of The University of Texas System may purchase 403(b) Tax Deferred Annuities from Texas-licensed insurance companies.
- 3.2 An employee desiring to participate in this program may enter into an agreement with his component institution and designate a portion of his monthly gross compensation to be used by the component institution to purchase an annuity for the employee from the company selected by the employee. This agreement is irrevocable for one year.
- 3.3 The Chief Business Officer or his delegate of each component institution in The University of Texas System is authorized to sign applications for annuities with the company requested by the employee. The payroll deduction method will be employed for the annuity payments and the amounts contracted for by the employees will be forwarded to each insurance company after the payroll deductions therefor.
- 3.4 The participation and purchase of 403(b) Tax Deferred Annuities shall be in accordance with Chapter 22, Acts of the 57th Legislature, 3rd Called Session, 1962 (Article 6228a-5, <u>Vernon's Texas Civil Statutes</u>), and shall be in accordance with the Internal Revenue Code and amendments thereto.
- 3.5 Additional information may be secured from the institutional business offices or the personnel offices.

Sec. 4. Group Hospitalization and Medical Benefit Plan.

- 4.1 A System-wide contract is in effect to provide group hospitalization and medical insurance coverage on an optional basis for employees of all component institutions of the University System subject to approval of the Deputy Chancellor for Administration, the Chancellor, and the Board of Regents.
- 4.2 Any employee appointed at least one-half time on a monthly basis is eligible for coverage. The spouse of employees and unmarried children between the ages of 19 and 25 may also be covered.
- 4.3 Employees may enroll within 60 days after they become eligible for coverage. Employees who do not enroll within 60 days may then do so only during the annual enrollment period.
- 4.4 The anniversary date of the contract is January 1 of each year. The annual enrollment period will fall during the month of November preceding each anniversary date.
- 4.5 The contract offers three benefit schedules that provide each employee with options to determine the most suitable plan consistent with his income. The premium rates for coverage depend on the plan selected by the employee and the number of persons in the family to be covered.
- 4.6 Under the Hospital Benefits and Doctor Benefits portions of the contract, specified amounts are provided under the three plans for room and board allowance, benefit period, surgical benefits, and other specified items.
- 4.7 The Major Medical Supplement is on a graduated schedule under each of the three plans, with one basic deductible amount for all three plans (\$100).
- 4.8 An insurance continuation provision is available for employees who leave the employment of the University or who retire.

Sec. 5. Group Life Insurance.

5.1 The University of Texas System carries a master group life insurance policy, applicable to all component institutions, with the Aetna Life Insurance Company for "One Year Term Plan." Premiums are payable monthly in advance, by payroll deduction, increase for each person with each year of age, and are payable entirely by the individual. The program is optional but is available only to annual faculty and staff appointed at least one-half time; new employees are notified of their eligibility by the personnel office at the time of employment.

- 5.2 The amount of insurance available is based on a schedule that may not exceed two times annual earnings with a maximum of \$50,000. Annual earnings for academic personnel shall be the nine-month or twelve-month academic rate, as applicable. Annual earnings for nonteaching personnel shall be the twelvemonth rate. When an employee classification changes, due to increase or decrease in earnings, including Modified Service, the amount of the insurance will be adjusted on the annual renewal date (January 1) following the date of the change provided the employee is available for work.
- 5.3 No medical examination is required if application is made for insurance within 60 days from date of employment. After the 60-day period, an "Evidence of Insurability" form, prepared by the company and available through the personnel office, is required. No medical examination is required if this form is accepted by the company after review, but, if it is not accepted, the applicant must have a medical examination at his expense.
- 5.4 Beneficiaries are designated by the policyholders on the application forms. and may be changed during the life of the policy upon application to the business office or personnel offices. Each policyholder receives a certificate issued by the company and transmitted through the business office or personnel office.
- 5.5 A policyholder who is less than 60 years of age and who becomes permanently and totally disabled may receive the face amount of the policy in accordance with one of several options. There are no disability benefits after age 60.
- 5.6 Benefits at death are payable according to one of several options. Upon notification of the death of a policyholder, the personnel office assists in the preparation of the required records to be sent to the company.
- 5.7 Participation in the Group Life Insurance Program automatically terminates when employment terminates unless (1) the policyholder retires under the provisions of the Teacher Retirement System or the Employees Retirement System with at least 10 years of coverage under the insurance; (2) the policyholder has attained 62 years of

age with at least 10 years of coverage under the insurance; or (3) the policyholder converts the group policy into one for regular individual life insurance. When an employee retires, the amount of insurance will be reduced to \$5,000 or the amount in force immediately prior to retirement, whichever is less, provided the employee has been insured continuously during the 10 years prior to retirement.

5.8 The life insurance will cease at the end of the last policy month for which a contribution was made except that if death should occur within thirty-one days thereafter, the death benefits will be payable. Within this thirty-one day period, by making application and paying the first premium to the Aetna Life Insurance Company, one may convert his Group Life Insurance to an individual life insurance policy on any regular Whole Life or Endowment Plan. This individual policy will be issued without medical examination at the Insurance Company's regular rates.

Sec. 6. Group Long Term Disability Income Insurance.

- 6.1 The University of Texas System carries a master group long term disability income insurance policy, covering all institutions, with the Aetna Life Insurance Company. Premiums are payable monthly in advance, by payroll deduction, and the rate applies to the monthly rate of basic earnings of each covered employee regardless of age. The program is optional but is available only to faculty members with the rank of Instructor or higher, or monthly salaried employees appointed at least one-half time. New employees are notified of their eligibility by the personnel office at the time of employment. The plan became effective initially on October 1, 1965.
- 6.2 Monthly rate of basic earnings is the rate in effect on the March 1 before the start of an individual's disability. Furthermore, monthly rate of basic earnings is defined as 1/9 of the base rate for academic personnel paid on a nine-month basis and 1/12 of the base annual rate for non-teaching employees or any other person paid on a twelve-month basis. In no case shall monthly rate of basic earnings exceed \$4,166.66 per month. All premiums and benefits are payable 12 months per year.
- 6.3 The plan guarantees benefits of 65% of the monthly rate of pay up to maximum monthly benefits of \$2,708.33 per month, and any extra compensation is excluded. The plan will pay all of the 65% guarantee if the insured is not eligible for "other income benefits." If he is eligible for "other income benefits," the plan will add to the total

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of "other income benefits" to make up this 65% guarantee. In general, the plan counts as "other income benefits" any wages, salary, or other remuneration a person might receive from his component institution, or from any other employer, while he is eligible for income benefits from the plan. Also counted are any disability benefits payable under any law or under any plan sponsored by The University of Texas System.

- 6.4 Covered employees will be eligible for the first income payment from the plan after having been "totally disabled" throughout a qualifying period of 90 days. Payments will be made as of the end of each calendar month. Benefits continue to be paid as long as a person is "totally disabled"; however, all income payments will stop when a person recovers, dies, or reaches age 65, whichever happens first.
- 6.5 No medical examination is required if application is made for insurance within 60 days from date of employment. After the 60-day period, an "Evidence of Insurability" form prepared by the company and available through the personnel office is required. No medical examination is required if this form is accepted by the company after review, but, if it is not so accepted, the applicant must have a medical examination at his expense.
- 6.6 Each policyholder receives a certificate issued by the company which is prepared and transmitted through the business office or personnel office.
- 6.7 The insurance of any employee under this policy shall terminate at the earliest time specified below:
 - 6.71 Upon discontinuance of the policy.
 - 6.72 At the end of a policy month during which the employee's employment with The University of Texas System in the classes eligible for the insurance terminates.
 - 6.73 On the date the employee attains the age of 65 years.
- 6.8 A person may continue to keep the coverage during periods of official Leave of Absence upon the direct payment of premiums through the business office of the appropriate component institution.

Sec. 7. Group Accident Insurance.

7.1 Group Accident Insurance was made available to faculty and staff members of The University of Texas System by a rider to the Long Term Disability Insurance Master Policy with the Aetna Life Insurance Company. The Group Accident Plan became effective February 1, 1968, and is available to all faculty and staff members under age 70 appointed to one-half time or more. Eligible employees can join the plan either during the first 60 days of their employment or during an annual enrollment period in December of each year for coverage effective February 1.

- 7.2 Coverage under the Group Accident Plan is provided to insure against accidental death (in such areas as travel by automobile and travel on an aircraft being used solely for the transportation of passengers, and the coverage is extended to travel outside of the United States). The death benefit is also provided if an individual becomes totally disabled while insured before age 60 as a result of an accident of the type covered by the plan. Scheduled dismemberment benefits are also provided for specified losses.
- 7.3 The amount of coverage that may be selected ranges in multiples of \$10,000 from the minimum of \$20,000 to the maximum of \$200,000; however, no eligible employee may select an amount of coverage that exceeds 10 times his annual salary (for academic personnel the 12month equivalent of their 9-month contract salary is used in computing the maximum amount of coverage allowable). Employees who select coverage for themselves may also take coverage for their spouses in an amount between \$10,000 up to a maximum of 50 percent of the amount actually taken for themselves. Unmarried children under age 19 are automatically covered for \$1,000 from the spouse's coverage, unless waived by the employee. Also, unmarried children 19 years of age and over who are regularly attending school and depend solely upon the employee for support are eligible as dependents until their 23rd birt day.
- Sec. 8. Social Security (Old Age and Survivors Insurance).
 - 8.1 As an employer, The University of Texas System complies with the relevant provisions of the Social Security Act. All employees are required to participate in the Federal Social Security Program as a condition of employment.

Sec. 9. Workmen's Compensation Insurance.

- 9.1 The Workmen's Compensation Insurance Program is on a Systemwide, self-insuring basis, financed by setting aside not more than 2 percent of the annual payroll of covered employees, and provides certain benefits for injuries sustained on the job. These benefits include payments for reasonable medical aid, hospitalization, etc.; total or partial incapacity; specific losses; and death.
- 9.2 The System Personnel Director, with the cooperation and assistance of other appropriate officials of The University of Texas System or its component institutions, investigates accidents and injuries, and endeavors to develop, publish, and enforce safety rules and regulations. His office keeps a complete record of all injuries on the job and is responsible for reporting them to the Industrial Accident Board. His office is responsible for the System-wide coordination of occupational safety and health activities, and for administration and enforcement of state and national laws and standards applicable to occupational safety and health.
- 9.3 All employees whose names appear on the payrolls are eligible except:9.31 Administrative staff, including officers of the administration;
 - 9.32 Teaching staff, research staff, clerical and office employees and supervisory staffs unless hazardous work is required, such as handling or working in close proximity with dangerous chemicals, materials, machinery, or equipment; working in a dangerous area; performing manual labor; traveling regularly, or being exposed to hazards of occupational disease; and
 - 9.33 Persons paid on a piece-work basis or any basis other than by the hour, day, week, month, or year.
- 9.4 Eligible employees who do not wish coverage may waive all rights to the benefits at the time of appointment. However, the waiver may be revoked at any time during continuous employment and the employee covered by insurance 30 days after the application form is signed, upon taking the necessary physical examination and being certified as physically fit.

- 9.5 A physical examination by a designated physician is required for all persons to be covered, and before the individual's name can be placed on the payroll, the executed original of the examination form must be filed in the System Personnel Office. The Supervisor furnishes a list of physicians for these examinations that must be approved by the Board of Regents. The physician's fee is paid by the System Personnel Office for each examination. Persons who fail to pass the physical examination cannot be covered by the insurance. They may be employed only after signing a waiver of all rights.
- 9.6 A notice of coverage is signed by all employees who are covered, with the original filed in the Workmen's Compensation Insurance Division of the System Personnel Office before a name is placed on the payroll. All personnel forms and payrolls include pertinent information on Workmen's Compensation Insurance by a symbol or other notation.
- 9.7 The percentage of annual payroll, within the 2 percent mentioned in Subsection 9.1 above, is approved by the Board of Regents, and the amount is set aside from available appropriation other than itemized salary appropriations. Institutional chief business officers shall prepare and send to the System Personnel Director a monthly report of covered employees showing the source of their salaries and a check and/or state warrant for the amount due. These checks will be deposited in a depository bank and the State Comptroller will be requested to transfer the amounts due on payrolls paid from State funds to the Workmen's Compensation Insurance Fund.
- 9.8 Physicians are designated for treatment and care of injured employees upon recommendation of the Supervisor and approval of the System Personnel Director and are called for treatment when possible, though other competent physicians may be authorized for treatment at the request of the employee. Emergency treatment, however, may be provided by any available physician and at any hospital, including institutional health centers or hospitals. The insured employee and the physician in charge choose the hospital to be used, except as indicated for emergency treatment. The designated physician authorized to treat injured employees files a Surgeon's Report with the Supervisor when treatment is first given. Fees for services rendered should be reasonable and fair and commensurate with services performed. They are, by law, subject to control of the Industrial Accident Board.
- 9.9 The Supervisor of a covered employee who is injured during the course of employment must file a complete report with the Supervisor of the Workmen's Compensation Insurance Office whether or not time is lost

from work. If time is lost, a supplemental report is filed when the employee returns to work. When the time lost is over 60 days, this report is filed at the end of each 60-day period. The same form is used if the employee is disabled later due to the original injury. In the event of death of the injured employee, the form is filed immediately.

- 9.10 The employees' supervisors are also responsible for keeping in close touch with injured employees and their attending physicians and investigating medical attention to see that unnecessary aid and visits are avoided. They approve the statement from the physician as to services rendered although not actual charges for treatment.
- 9.11 A covered employee disabled from work due to an on-the-job injury may remain on the payroll until his earned vacation and sick leave are exhausted or may request use of any reasonable portion thereof, during which time full medical benefits will remain available. Should an employee continue to remain disabled from work after earned vacation and sick leave are exhausted, provided such accrued leave totals seven days or more, there will be no waiting period before weekly compensation benefits accrue. Employees who have no sick leave or vacation accrued will be subject to a 7-day waiting period, for which they will be compensated in the event disability lasts 28 days or more. Vacation and sick leave used due to an on-the-job injury, are not charged against holidays, weekends, or other authorized days off.
- 9.12 The weekly compensation benefit for a covered employee injured in the course of his work is equal to 60 percent of the average weekly earnings for the 12 months immediately preceding injury, though not more than \$49 nor less than \$12 per week. Compensation to an employee on less than a full work day basis is not more than 60 percent of his average weekly earnings, with the same maximum of \$49. Benefits may be paid for no longer than 401 weeks from date of removal from payroll for total incapacity and no longer than 300 weeks for partial incapacity for work. For specific injuries, the Supervisor has information available on request concerning benefits for specific injuries such as the loss of a hand or an eye. In case of death, benefits are computed on the basis of 360 weeks from injury.

- **9.13** Payment for physical examinations, medical aid, hospitalization and compensation is through the System Personnel Office.
- 9.14 The System Personnel Office shall issue an annual report through proper channels to the Chancellor and to the Secretary of the Board of Regents for the information of the members of the Board which shall include at least the following information: the names of all employees receiving workmen's compensation benefits during the preceding year, and for each such employee the number of separate incidents involving loss of time, the total working days lost, and the total compensation received; a list of physicians to whom payments were made and the totals paid to each.

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CHAPTER VI

STAFF BENEFITS

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Sec. 1. Teacher Retirement System.

- 1.1 There are two types of members in the Teacher Retirement System:
 - 1.11 Teacher members employees occupying positions as teachers, clerks, administrators, supervisors, and related occupations in educational institutions; and
 - 1.12 Auxiliary employees all other employees of educational institutions otherwise eligible, such as building attendants, carpenters, etc.
- 1.2 All employees of The University of Texas System employed on a regular salaried basis are required by law to participate in the Teacher Retirement System, which became effective for teacher members September 1, 1937, and for auxiliary members September 1, 1949, except persons eligible at those times who executed waivers within the period allowed by law and have not revoked such waiver if later permitted, and members of the Employees Retirement System about which information is given later.
- 1.3 Annual membership dues in the Teacher Retirement System are \$5, which amount is deducted from the first salary payment in a fiscal year. Members contribute 6 per cent of their salary up to and including \$25,000 per year, with the maximum contribution of \$1,500 per year, which amount is deducted from the monthly salary payment. The contributions are sent monthly by the business offices to the Teacher Retirement System. Each year members receive a statement from the Teacher Retirement System, through the business offices, of their total contributions, plus accumulated interest through August 31 of the preceding year. Within the provisions of the law, the State also contributes to the member's account.
- 1.4 The annuity payable at retirement is based on the salaries earned by the member. Annuity payments are based upon the average salary earned in the ten highest years of creditable service, not to exceed \$25,000 of salary for any one year beginning September 1, 1969. Years of service for the period September 1, 1957, through August 31, 1969, have a maximum limit of \$8,400.

- 1.5 When a member leaves the employment of the public schools, colleges, or universities of Texas, he may withdraw the amount of his contribution, plus accumulated interest, upon application, or he may leave the funds at interest for not more than five out of six consecutive years during which period he pays the annual membership dues. The performance of a period of active military duty by a member shall not be construed as absence from service; nor shall absence from service terminate membership if the member does not withdraw his accumulated contributions and has ten (10) or more years of creditable service, regardless of age, at or before the time he ceases to be employed in the public schools, colleges or universities of Texas.
- 1.6 If a member dies before retirement, his beneficiary, depending upon the relationship to the member, will be entitled to death benefit payments or survivor benefit payments, whichever renders the greater advantage to the beneficiary. If there is no beneficiary with an insurable interest, payment will be limited to the accumulated contributions plus interest standing to the account of the member with the Teacher Retirement System.

1.7 Eligibility for retirement benefits is as follows:

- 1.71 With ten years creditable service upon reaching age 65, member is entitled to retire with full benefits based on service rendered and salary earned. A teacher member is entitled to minimum benefits of \$75.00 per month. An auxiliary employee is entitled to minimum benefits of \$50.00 per month.
- 1.72 With fifteen years creditable service upon reaching age 55, member is entitled to retire at reduced actuarial equivalent of benefit payable at age 65.
- 1.73 With twenty years creditable service upon reaching age 60, member is entitled to retire with full benefits based on service rendered and salary earned. A teacher member is entitled to minimum benefits of \$100.00 per month. An auxiliary employee is entitled to minimum benefits of \$75.00 per month.
- 1.74 With 20 years creditable service upon reaching age 55 or with 30 years creditable service at any age, member is entitled to retire at reduced actuarial equivalent of benefit payable at age 60.
- 1.8 Creditable service consists of prior service, former membership service, and current membership service. "Prior service" means service by such person as a teacher or auxiliary employee prior to (A) September 1, 1937, as relates to any person who became a member or who at any time on or before August 31, 1949, was eligible for membership in the Teacher Retirement System, or (B) September 1, 1949, as relates to any person who for the first time became eligible for membership in the Teacher Retirement System on or after September 1, 1949.

- Information pertaining to options under which retirement benefits may be drawn and to reciprocal service between the Teacher and Employees Retirement Systems, as well as other information, may be secured from the component institution business or personnel office, the System Personnel Office, or the Teacher Retirement System in Austin.
- 1. 10 Few employees of The University of Texas System are members of the Employees Retirement System because they are no longer eligible for initial membership in this system. Only those who were eligible between September 1, 1947, and August 31, 1949, and who did not waive membership as of September 1, 1947, are now members. Beginning September 1, 1949, new employees who would previously have been eligible for this plan became eligible for membership in the Teacher Retirement System as auxiliary employees. Annual membership dues in this system are \$2, which sum is deducted from the first monthly salary payment in a fiscal year. Contributions of employees are 5 per cent of the total salary earned, which is deducted from monthly salary payments.

Sec. 2. Optional Retirement Program

- 2.1 Pursuant to Chapter 729, Acts of the 60th Legislature, Regular Session, 1967 (Article 2922-li, Vernon's Texas Civil Statutes), the Board of Regents of The University of Texas System has authorized:
 - 2.11 The establishment of an Optional Retirement Program in lieu of active membership in Teacher Retirement System of Texas to become effective September 1, 1968.
 - 2.12 Any insurance or annuity company qualified and admitted to do business in this State to offer an Optional Retirement Plan to eligible employees of The University of Texas System.
 - 2.13 The ceiling on both the employee's contribution and the State's matching contribution to the Optional Retirement Plan to be the same as is in effect for contributions to the Teacher Retirement System.
 - 2.14 Compliance with the terms and provisions of the Act, and further compliance with prescribed rules and regulations of the State Board of Insurance and The University of Texas System.
- 2.2 Eligibility The following types of employees are eligible to participate in the Optional Retirement Program:
 - 2.21 All full-time faculty members appointed at least 4-1/2 months.
 - 2.22 All full-time administrative, research or professional personnel appointed for at least 4-1/2 months, excluding any person employed in a position which is in the classified personnel pay plan of a component institution of the University.
 - 2.23 A full-time person who enters the program and later reduces to part-time status will remain eligible for the Program.

- 2.3 Effective Date of Participation
 - 2.31 Eligible employees in The University of Texas System employed as of September 1, 1968, shall elect to participate in the Optional Retirement Program no later than the first day of August, 1969. An eligible employee not exercising the option to participate in the Optional Retirement Program by August 1, 1969, is deemed to have chosen to continue membership in the Teacher Retirement System.
 - 2.32 Eligible employees of The University of Texas System employed September 2, 1968, or later, shall within ninety days following date of employment, elect to participate or not to participate in the Optional Retirement Plan. A person is automatically considered a member of the Teacher Retirement System Program unless he elects to participate in the Optional Retirement Program during the first 90 days of employment.
- 2.4 Contributions to Retirement Plan shall be as follows:
 - 2.41 The Optional Retirement Act authorizes a salary ceiling for contributions equivalent to the Teacher Retirement System. This ceiling, effective September 1, 1969, is 6 per cent of the salary ceiling of \$25,000 per year.
- 2.5 The Chancellor's Office of The University of Texas System will approve the companies authorized to offer an Optional Retirement Plan to eligible members of The University of Texas System. Eligible carriers will be indicated by the Chancellor's Office.
- 2.6 The eligible member electing to participate in the Optional Retirement Plan shall elect the company he chooses if that company has been approved by the University.
- 2.7 Because of the one-year vesting clause in the law, the State's matching contribution must be returned to the University if an employee does not begin a second year of participation.
- 2.8 There can be only one change in Optional Retirement Program carriers per person, and such change may be made only on September 1st.
- 2.9 Application blanks of authorized insurance carriers will not be furnished by the component institutions because of the possible large number of insurance carriers that may be authorized under the program. It is the responsibility of each individual interested in participating in the Optional Retirement Program to contact the authorized insurance carrier of his choice for an application blank.

Sec. 3. Group Life Insurance.

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- 3.1 The University of Texas System carries a master group life insurance policy, applicable to all component institutions, with the Aetna Life Insurance Company for "One Year Term Plan." Premiums are payable monthly in advance, by payroll deduction, increase for each person with each year of age, and are payable entirely by the individual. The program is optional but is available only to annual faculty and staff appointed at least one-half time; new employees are notified of their eligibility by the personnel office at the time of employment.
- 3.2 The amount of insurance available is equal to the next highest thousand dollars above the annual salary with a maximum of \$50,000. Annual earnings for academic personnel shall be the nine-month or twelve-month academic rate, as applicable. Annual earnings for nonteaching personnel shall be the twelve-month rate. When an employee classification changes, due to increase or decrease in earnings, including Modified Service, the amount of the insurance will be adjusted on the annual renewal date (January 1) following the date of the change provided the employee is available for work.
- 3.3 No medical examination is required if application is made for insurance within 60 days from date of employment. After the 60-day period, an "Evidence of Insurability" form, prepared by the company and available through the personnel office, is required. No medical examination is required if this form is accepted by the company after review, but, if it is not accepted, the applicant must have a medical examination at his expense.
- 3.4 Beneficiaries are designated by the policyholders on the application forms and may be changed during the life of the policy upon application to the business office or personnel offices. Each policyholder receives a certificate issued by the company and transmitted through the business office or personnel office.
- 3.5 A policyholder who is less than 60 years of age and who becomes permanently and totally disabled may receive the face amount of the policy in accordance with one of several options. There are no disability benefits after age 60.
- 3.6 Benefits at death are payable according to one of several options. Upon notification of the death of a policyholder, the personnel office assists in the preparation of the required records to be sent to the company.
- 3.7 Participation in the Group Life Insurance Program automatically terminates when employment terminates unless (1) the policyholder retires under the provisions of the Teacher Retirement System or the Employees Retirement System with at least 10 years of coverage under the insurance; (2) the policyholder has attained 62 years of

age with at least 10 years of coverage under the insurance; or (3) the policyholder converts the group policy into one for regular individual life insurance. When an employee retires, the amount of insurance will be reduced to \$5,000 or the amount in force immediately prior to retirement, whichever is less, provided the employee has been insured continuously during the ten years prior to retirement.

3.8 The life insurance will cease at the end of the last policy month for which a contribution was made except that if death should occur within thirty-one days thereafter, the death benefits will be payable. Within this thirty-one day period, by making application and paying the first premium to the Aetna Life Insurance Company, one may convert his Group Life Insurance to an individual life insurance policy on any regular Whole Life or Endowment Plan. This individual policy will be issued without medical examination at the Insurance Company's regular rates.

Sec. 4. Group Hospitalization and Medical Benefit Plan.

- 4.1 A System-wide contract is in effect to provide group hospitalization and medical insurance coverage on an optional basis for employees of all component institutions of the University System subject to approval of the System Personnel Director, the Executive Vice-Chancellor for Fiscal Affairs, the Deputy Chancellor, the Chancellor, and the Board of Regents.
- 4.2 This plan provides for a basic coverage supplemented by major medical coverage.

Sec. 5. Workmen's Compensation Insurance.

- 5.1 The Workmen's Compensation Insurance Program is on a Systemwide, self-insuring basis, financed by setting aside not more than 2 per cent of the annual payroll of covered employees, and provides certain benefits for injuries sustained on the job. These benefits include payments for reasonable medical aid, hospitalization, etc.; total or partial incapacity; specific losses; and death.
- 5.2 The Supervisor of Workmen's Compensation Insurance, with the cooperation and assistance of other appropriate officials of The University of Texas System or its component institutions, investigates accidents and injuries, and endeavors to develop, publish, and enforce safety rules and regulations. His office keeps a complete record of all injuries on the job and is responsible for reporting them to the Industrial Accident Board.
- 5.3 All employees whose names appear on the payrolls are eligible except:
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supervisory staffs unless hazardous work is required, such as handling or working in close proximity with dangerous chemicals, materials, machinery, or equipment; working in a dangerous area; performing manual labor; traveling regularly, or being exposed to hazards of occupational disease; and

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- 5.4 Eligible employees who do not wish coverage may waive all rights to the benefits at the time of appointment. However, the waiver may be revoked at any time during continuous employment and the employee covered by insurance 30 days after the application form is signed, upon taking the necessary physical examination and being certified as physically fit.
- 5.5 A physical examination by a designated physician is required for all persons to be covered, and before the individual's name can be placed on the payroll, the executed original of the examination form must be filed in the System Personnel Office. The Supervisor furnishes a list of physicians for these examinations that must be approved by the Board of Regents. The physician's fee is paid by the System Personnel Office for each examination. Persons who fail to pass the physical examination cannot be covered by the insurance. They may be employed only after signing a waiver of all rights.
- 5.6 A notice of coverage is signed by all employees who are covered, with the original filed in the Supervisor's office before a name is placed on the payroll. All personnel forms and payrolls include pertinent information on Workmen's Compensation Insurance by a symbol or other notation.
- 5.7 The percentage of annual payroll, within the 2 per cent mentioned in subsection 5.1 above, is approved by the Board of Regents, and the amount is set aside from available appropriation other than itemized salary appropriations. Institutional chief business officers shall prepare and send to the System Personnel Director a monthly report of covered employees showing the source of their salaries and a check and/or state warrant for the amount due. These checks will be deposited in a depository bank and the State Comptroller will be requested to transfer the amounts due on payrolls paid from State funds to the Workmen's Compensation Insurance Fund.
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- Sec. 6. Social Security (Old Age and Survivors Insurance).
 - 6.1 As an employer, The University of Texas System complies with the relevant provisions of the Social Security Act. All employees are required to participate in the Federal Social Security Program as a condition of employment.

Sec. 7. Tax Deferred Annuities

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- 7.1 Under a plan approved by the Board of Regents, employees of The University of Texas System may purchase 403B Tax Deferred Annuities from Texas-licensed insurance companies.
- 7.2 An employee desiring to participate in this program may enter into an agreement with his component institution and designate a portion of his monthly gross compensation to be used by the component institution to purchase an annuity for the employee from the company selected by the employee. This agreement is irrevocable for one year.
- 7.3 The chief business officer (or his delegate) of each component institution in The University of Texas System is authorized to sign applications for annuities with the company requested by the employee. The payroll deduction method will be employed for the annuity payments and the amounts contracted for by the employees will be forwarded to each insurance company after the payroll deductions therefor.
- 7.4 The participation and purchase of 403B, Tax Deferred Annuities shall be in accordance with the authorization provided by Senate Bill Number 17, 57th Legislature, Third Called Session, 1962 and shall be in accordance with the Internal Revenue Code in amendments thereto.
- 7.5 Additional information may be secured from the institutional business offices or the personnel offices.

Sec. 8. Group Long Term Disability Income Insurance.

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- 8.1 The University of Texas System carries a master group long term disability income insurance policy, covering all institutions, with the Aetna Life Insurance Company. Premiums are payable monthly in advance, by payroll deduction, and the rate applies to the monthly rate of basic earnings of each covered employee regardless of age. The program is optional but is available only to faculty members with the rank of Instructor or higher, or monthly salaried employees appointed at least one-half time. New employees are notified of their eligibility by the personnel office at the time of employment. The plan became effective initially on October 1, 1965.
- 8.2 Monthly rate of basic earnings is the rate in effect on the October 1 before the start of an individual's disability. Furthermore, monthly rate of basic earnings is defined as 1/9 of the base rate for academic personnel paid on a nine-month basis and 1/12 of the base annual rate for non-teaching employees or any other person paid on a twelve-month basis. In no case shall monthly rate of basic earnings exceed \$2,500.00 per month. All premiums and benefits are payable 12 months per year.
- 8.3 The plan guarantees benefits of 65% of the monthly rate of pay up to maximum monthly benefits of \$1625.00 per month, and any extra compensation is excluded. The plan will pay all of this 65% guarantee if the insured is not eligible for "other income benefits". If he is eligible for "other income benefits," the plan will add to the total of "other income benefits" to make up this 65% guarantee. In general, the plan counts as "other income benefits" any wages, salary, or other remuneration a person might receive from their component institution, or from any other employer, while they are eligible for income benefits from the plan. Also counted are any disability benefits payable under any law or under any plan sponsored by The University of Texas System.
- 8.4 Covered employees will be eligible for the first income payment from the plan after having been "totally disabled" throughout a qualifying period of 90 days. Payments will be made as of the end of each calendar month. Benefits continue to be paid as long as a person is "totally disabled"; however, all income payments will stop when a person recovers, dies, or reaches age 65 -- whichever happens first.
- 8.5 No medical examination is required if application is made for insurance within 60 days from date of employment. After the 60 day period, an "Evidence of Insurability" form, prepared by the company and available through the personnel office is required. No medical examination is required if this form is accepted by the company after review, but, if it is not so accepted, the applicant must have a medical examination at his expense.

- 8.6 Each policyholder receives a certificate issued by the company which is prepared and transmitted through the business office or personnel office.
- 8.7 The insurance of any employee under this policy shall terminate at the earliest time specified below:
 - 8.71 Upon discontinuance of the policy.
 - 8.72 At the end of a policy month during which the employee's employment with The University of Texas System in the classes eligible for the insurance terminates.
 - 8.73 On the date the employee attains the age of sixty-five years.
- 8.8 A person may continue to keep the coverage during periods of official Leave of Absence upon the direct payment of premiums through the business office of the appropriate component institution.

Sec. 9. Group Accident Insurance.

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- 9.1 Group Accident Insurance was made available to faculty and staff members of The University of Texas System by a rider to the Long Term Disability Insurance Master Policy with the Aetna Life Insurance Company. The Group Accident Plan became effective February 1, 1968, and is available to all faculty and staff members under age 70 appointed to one-half time or more. Eligible employees can join the plan either during the first 60 days of their employment or during an annual enrollment period in December of each year for coverage effective February 1.
- 9.2 Coverage under the Group Accident Plan is provided to insure against accidental death (in such areas as travel by automobile and travel on an aircraft being used solely for the transportation of passengers, and the coverage is extended to travel outside of the United States). The death benefit is also provided if an individual becomes totally disabled while insured before age 60 as a result of an accident of the type covered by the plan. Scheduled dismemberment benefits are also provided for specified losses.
- 9.3 The amount of coverage that may be selected ranges in multiples of \$10,000 from the minimum of \$20,000 to the maximum of \$200,000; however, no eligible employee may select an amount of coverage that exceeds 10 times his annual salary (for academic personnel the 12month equivalent of their 9-month contract salary is used in computing the maximum amount of coverage allowable). Employees who elect coverage for themselves may also take coverage for their spouses in an amount between \$10,000 up to a maximum of 50 per cent of the amount actually taken for themselves. Unmarried children under age 19 are automatically covered for \$1,000 from the spouse's coverage, unless waived by the employee. Also, unmarried children 19 years of age and over who are regularly attending school and depend solely upon the employee for support are eligible as dependents until their 23rd birthday.

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 - 1.72 With fifteen years creditable service upon reaching age 55, member is entitled to retire at reduced actuarial equivalent of benefit payable at age 65.
 - 1.73 With twenty years creditable service upon reaching age 60, member is entitled to retire with full benefits based on service rendered and salary earned. A teacher member is entitled to minimum benefits of \$100.00 per month. An auxiliary employee is entitled to minimum benefits of \$75.00 per month.
 - 1.74 With 25 years creditable service upon reaching age 55 or with
 30 years creditable service at any age, member is entitled to
 retire at reduced actuarial equivalent of benefit payable at age 60.
- 1.8 Creditable service consists of prior service, former membership service, and current membership service. For teacher members, prior service is that before September 1, 1937, former membership service

is that rendered during the period September 1, 1937, to August 31, 1955, and current membership service is that rendered subsequent to August 31, 1955. For auxiliary employees, prior service is that rendered prior to September 1, 1949, former membership service is that rendered during the period September 1, 1949, to August 31, 1955, and current membership service is that rendered subsequent to August 31, 1955.

 Information pertaining to options under which retirement benefits may be drawn and to reciprocal service between the Teacher and Employees Retirement Systems, as well as other information, may be secured from the component institution business or personnel office, the System Personnel Office, or the Teacher Retirement System in Austin.

Sec. 2. Employees Retirement System.

- 2.1 There are relatively few employees of The University of Texas System who are members of the Employees Retirement System since they are no longer eligible for initial membership in this system. Only those who were eligible between September 1, 1947, and August 31, 1949, and who did not waive membership as of September 1, 1947, are now members. Beginning September 1, 1949, new employees who would previously have been eligible for this plan became eligible for membership in the Teacher Retirement System as auxiliary employees.
- 2.2 Annual membership dues in this system are \$2, which sum is deducted from the first monthly salary payment in a fiscal year. Contributions of employees are 4 1/2 per cent of the total salary earned, which is deducted from monthly salary payments. The component institution contributes an amount equal to that of employees, payable from the same source as the salary. All contributions are deposited monthly with the Employees Retirement System and by law are deposited by that agency with the State Treasurer.
- 2.3 Members' deposits are handled in the same way as in the Teacher Retirement System.
- 2.4 Provisions for membership and retirement requirements and benefits are quite similar to those for the Teacher Retirement System; however, "prior service" in the Employees Retirement System is all creditable service rendered prior to September 1, 1947, and "membership service" is that which has been earned since that date.

2.5 Further details, including information pertaining to reciprocal service with Teacher Retirement System, may be secured from the component institution business office or personnel office, the System Personnel Office, or the Employees Retirement System in Austin.

Sec. 3. Group Life Insurance.

- 3.1 The University of Texas System carries a master group life insurance policy, applicable to all component institutions, with the Aetna Life Insurance Company for "One Year Term Plan." Premiums are payable monthly in advance, by payroll deduction, increase for each person with each year of age, and are payable entirely by the individual. The program is optional but is available only to full-time annual faculty and staff; new employees are notified of their eligibility by the personnel office at the time of employment.
- 3.2 The amount of insurance available is equal to the next highest thousand dollars above the annual salary with a maximum of \$20,000. Annual earnings for academic personnel shall be the nine-month or twelve-month academic rate, as applicable. Annual earnings for non-teaching personnel shall be the twelve-month rate. When an employee classification changes, due to increase or decrease in earnings, including Modified Service, the amount of the insurance will be adjusted on the annual renewal date (January 1) following the date of the change provided the employee is available for work.
- 3.3 No medical examination is required if application is made for insurance within 60 days from date of employment. After the 60-day period, an "Evidence of Insurability" form, prepared by the company and available through the personnel office, is required. No medical examination is required if this form is accepted by the company after review, but, if it is not accepted, the applicant must have a medical examination at his expense.
- 3.4 Beneficiaries are designated by the policyholders on the application forms and may be changed during the life of the policy upon application to the business office or personnel offices. Each policyholder receives a certificate issued by the company and transmitted through the business office or personnel office.
- 3.5 A policyholder who is less than 60 years of age and who becomes permanently and totally disabled may receive the face amount of the policy in

- 2.54 A guarantee on the part of the company that the first year's State matching contribution (or fractional part thereof) will be refunded to The University of Texas System in the event the employee does not begin his second year of participation in the Optional Retirement Program.
- 2.55 A description of the company's procedure in allocating the State's first year matching contribution and an assurance that such procedure will enable the policy to retain its 403(b) tax deferred status during the first year of employee participation under a salary reduction agreement.
- 2.56 A statement that the company will comply with the provisions set out in the memorandum issued from Office of the Chancellor dated October 8, 1968, to Insurance and Annuity Companies in reference to the Optional Retirement Program.
- 2.57 A statement certifying that the company's contract to provide an annuity under The University of Texas System Optional Retirement Program does not contain a life insurance feature as referred to in A.G. Op. M-595 (1970).
- 2.58 The letter to be submitted by the company must be signed by either the President or General Counsel of the Company.
- 2.59 Specimen copies of all types of contracts to be offered by the carrier, both group and individual, must be submitted for approval with the letter of application.
- 2.6 The eligible member electing to participate in the Optional Retirement Plan shall elect the company he chooses if that company has been approved by the University.
- 2.7 There can only be one change in Optional Retirement Program carriers per year, and such change may be made only on September 1st of each year.
- 2.8 Application blanks of authorized insurance carriers will not be furnished by the component institutions because of the possible large number of insurance carriers that may be authorized under the program. It is the responsibility of each individual interested in participating in the Optional Retirement Program to contact the authorized insurance carrier of his choice for an application blank.

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age with at least 10 years of coverage under the insurance; or (3) the policyholder converts the group policy into one for regular individual life insurance. When an employee retires, the amount of insurance will be reduced to \$5,000 or the amount in force immediately prior to retirement, whichever is less, provided the employee has been insured continuously during the ten years prior to retirement.

3.8 The life insurance will cease at the end of the last policy month for which a contribution was made except that if death should occur within thirty-one days thereafter, the death benefits will be payable. Within this thirty-one day period, by making application and paying the first premium to the Aetna Life Insurance Company, one may convert his Group Life Insurance to an individual life insurance policy on any regular Whole Life or Endowment Plan. This individual policy will be issued without medical examination at the Insurance Company's regular rates.

Sec. 4. Group Hospitalization and Medical Benefit Plan.

- 4.1 A System-wide contract is in effect to provide group hospitalization and medical insurance coverage on an optional basis for employees of all component institutions of the University System subject to approval of the System Personnel Director, the Deputy Chancellor for Administration, the Chancellor, and the Board of Regents.
- 4.2 This plan provides for a basic coverage supplemented by major medical coverage.

Sec. 5. Workmen's Compensation Insurance.

- 5.1 The Workmen's Compensation Insurance Program is on a Systemwide, self-insuring basis, financed by setting aside not more than 2 per cent of the annual payroll of covered employees, and provides certain benefits for injuries sustained on the job. These benefits include payments for reasonable medical aid, hospitalization, etc.; total or partial incapacity; specific losses; and death.
- 5.2 The Supervisor of Workmen's Compensation Insurance, with the cooperation and assistance of other appropriate officials of The University of Texas System or its component institutions, investigates accidents and injuries, and endeavors to develop, publish, and enforce safety rules and regulations. His office keeps a complete record of all injuries on the job and is responsible for reporting them to the Industrial Accident Board.
- 5.3 All employees whose names appear on the payrolls are eligible except:
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accordance with one of several options. There are no disability benefits after age 60.

- 3.6 Benefits at death are payable according to one of several options. Upon notification of the death of a policyholder, the personnel office assists in the preparation of the required records to be sent to the company.
- 3.7 Participation in the Group Life Insurance Program automatically terminates when employment terminates unless (1) the policyholder retires under the provisions of the Teacher Retirement System or the Employees Retirement System with at least 10 years of coverage under the insurance; (2) the policyholder has attained 62 years of age with at least 10 years of coverage under the insurance; or (3) the policyholder converts the group policy into one for regular individual life insurance. When an employee retires, the amount of insurance will be reduced to \$5,000 or the amount in force immediately prior to retirement, whichever is less, provided the employee has been insured continuously during the ten years prior to retirement.
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Sec. 4. Group Hospitalization and Medical Benefit Plans.

4.1 Group hospitalization and medical benefit plans may be instituted or continued at each of the component institutions subject to approval of the institutional head, the System Personnel Adviser, the Vice-Chancellor for Business Affairs, the Chancellor, and the Board of Regents.

Sec. 5. Workmen's Compensation Insurance.

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- 5.2 The Supervisor of Workmen's Compensation Insurance, with the cooperation and assistance of other appropriate officials of The University of Texas System or its component institutions, investigates accidents and injuries, and endeavors to develop, publish, and enforce safety rules and regulations. His office keeps a complete record of all injuries on the job and is responsible for reporting them to the Industrial Accident Board.
- 5.3 All employees whose names appear on the payrolls are eligible except:5.31 Administrative staff, including officers of the administration;
 - 5.32 Teaching staff, research staff, clerical and office employees and supervisory staffs unless hazardous work is required, such as handling or working in close proximity with dangerous chemicals, materials, machinery, or equipment; working in a dangerous area; performing manual labor; traveling regularly, or being exposed to hazards of occupational disease; and
 - 5.33 Persons paid on a piece-work basis or any basis other than by the hour, day, week, month, or year.
- 5.4 Eligible employees who do not wish coverage may waive all rights to the benefits at the time of appointment. However, the waiver may be revoked at any time during continuous employment and the employee covered by insurance 30 days after the application form is signed, upon taking the necessary physical examination and being certified as physically fit.
- 5.5 A physical examination by a designated physician is required for all persons to be covered and, before the individual's name can be placed on the payroll, the executed original of the examination form must be filed in the System Personnel Office. The Supervisor furnishes a list of physicians for these examinations which is approved by the Board of Regents. A fee of \$5 is paid by the System Personnel Office for each examination. Persons who fail to pass the physical examination cannot be covered by the insurance. They may be employed only after signing a waiver of all rights.
- 5.6 A notice of coverage is signed by all employees who are covered, with the original filed in the Supervisor's office before a name is placed on the payroll. All personnel forms and payrolls include pertinent information on Workmen's Compensation Insurance by a symbol or other notation.

- 5.7 The percentage of the annual payroll, within the 2 per cent mentioned in Section 5.1 above is approved by the Board of Regents, and the amount is set aside from available appropriations other than itemized salary appropriations. Institutional chief business officers shall prepare and send to the System Comptroller a monthly report of covered employees showing the source of their salaries and, if from local funds, enclosing a check for the amount due. These checks will be deposited in a depository bank and the State Comptroller will be requested to transfer the amounts due on payrolls paid from State funds to the Workmen's Compensation Insurance Fund in the State Treasury.
- 5.8 Physicians are designated for treatment and care of injured employees upon recommendation of the Supervisor and approval of the Chancellor and the Board of Regents and are called for treatment when possible though other competent physicians may be authorized for treatment at the request of the employee. Emergency treatment, however, may be provided by any available physician and at any hospital, including institutional health centers or hospitals. The insured employee and the physician in charge choose the hospital to be used, except as indicated for emergency treatment. The designated physician authorized to treat injured employees files a Surgeon's Report with the Supervisor when treatment is first given. Fees for services rendered should be reasonable and fair and commensurate with services performed. They are, by law, subject to control of the Industrial Accident Board.
- 5.9 The supervisor of a covered employee who is injured during the course of employment must file a complete report with the Supervisor of the Workmen's Compensation Insurance Office whether or not time is lost from work. If time is lost, a supplemental report is filed when the employee returns to work. When the time lost is over 60 days, this report is filed at the end of each 60-day period. The same form is used if the employee is disabled later due to the original injury. In the event of death of the injured employee, the form is filed immediately.
- 5. (10) The employees' supervisors are also responsible for keeping in close touch with injured employees and their attending physicians and investigating medical attention to see that unnecessary aid and visits are avoided. They approve the statement from the physician as to services rendered although not actual charges for treatment.
- 5. (11)Compensation paid is in lieu of salary and wages, and the employee's name is therefore dropped from the payroll when he is unable to work after injury, and is not returned to the payroll until he is back on the job after certification by the attending physician.

5. (12) The compensation for a covered employee injured in the course of his

work is equal to 60 per cent of the average weekly earnings for the 12 months immediately preceding injury, though not more than \$35 nor less than \$9 per week. Compensation to an employee on less than a full work day basis is not more than 60 per cent of his average weekly earning, with the same maximum of \$35. Compensation is not paid for incapacity of less than one calendar week unless incapacity continues for 28 days at which time the compensation is paid for the first seven days. Benefits may be paid for no longer than 401 weeks from date of injury for total incapacity and no longer than 300 weeks for partial incapacity for work. For specific injuries, the Supervisor has information available on request concerning benefits for specific injuries such as the loss of a hand or an eye. In case of death, benefits are computed on the basis of 360 weeks from injury.

- 5. (13)Payment for physical examinations, medical aid, hospitalization and compensation is through the System Personnel Office.
- 5. (14)The System Personnel Office shall issue an annual report through proper channels to the Chancellor and to the Secretary of the Board of Regents for the information of the members of the Board which shall include at least the following information: The names of all employees receiving workmen's compensation benefits during the preceding year, and for each such employee the number of separate incidents involving loss of time, the total working days lost, and the total compensation received; a list of physicians to whom payments were made and the totals paid to each.
- Sec. 6. Social Security (Old Age and Survivors Insurance).
 - 6.1 As an employer, The University of Texas System complies with the relevant provisions of the Social Security Act. All employees are required to participate in the Federal Social Security Program as a condition of employment.

Sec. 7. Tax Deferred Annuities

- 7.1 Under a plan approved by the Board of Regents, employees of The University of Texas System may purchase 403B Tax Deferred Annuities from Texas-licensed insurance companies.
- 7.2 An employee desiring to participate in this program may enter into an agreement with his component institution and designate a portion of his

monthly gross compensation to be used by the component institution to purchase an annuity for the employee from the company selected by the employee. This agreement is irrevocable for one year.

- 7.3 The chief business officer (or his delegate) of each component institution in The University of Texas System is authorized to sign applications for annuities with the company requested by the employee. The payroll deduction method will be employed for the annuity payments and the amounts contracted for by the employees will be forwarded to each insurance company after the payroll deductions therefor.
- 7.4 The participation and purchase of 403B, Tax Deferred Annuities shall be in accordance with the authorization provided by Senate Bill Number 17, 57th Legislature, Third Called Session, 1962 and shall be in accordance with the Internal Revenue Code in amendments thereto.
- 7.5 Additional information may be secured from the institutional business offices or the personnel offices.

Sec. 8. Group Long Term Disability Income Insurance.

- 8.1 The University of Texas System carries a master group long term disability income insurance policy, covering all institutions, with the Aetna Life Insurance Company. Premiums are payable monthly in advance, by payroll deduction, and the rate applies to the monthly rate of basic earnings of each covered employee regardless of age. The program is optional but is available only to faculty members with the rank of Instructor or higher, or full-time monthly salaried employees. New employees are notified of their eligibility by the personnel office at the time of employment. The plan became effective initially on October 1, 1965.
- 8.2 Monthly rate of basic earnings is the rate in effect on the October 1 before the start of an individual's disability. Furthermore, monthly rate of basic earnings is defined as 1/9 of the base rate for academic personnel paid on a nine-month basis and 1/12 of the base annual rate for non-teaching employees or any other person paid on a twelve-month basis. In no case shall monthly rate of basic earnings exceed \$2,500.00 per month. All premiums and benefits are payable 12 months per year.
- 8.3 The plan guarantees benefits of 65% of the monthly rate of pay up to maximum monthly benefits of \$1625.00 per month, and any extra

compensation is excluded. The plan will pay all of this 65% guarantee if the insured is not eligible for "other income benefits". If he is eligible for "other income benefits," the plan will add to the total of "other income benefits" to make up this 65% guarantee. In general, the plan counts as "other income benefits" any wages, salary, or other remuneration a person might receive from their component institution, or from any other employer, while they are eligible for income benefits from the plan. Also counted are any disability benefits payable under any law or under any plan sponsored by The University of Texas System.

- 8.4 Covered employees will be eligible for the first income payment from the plan after having been "totally disabled" throughout a qualifying period of 90 days. Payments will be made as of the end of each calendar month. Benefits continue to be paid as long as a person is "totally disabled"; however, all income payments will stop when a person recovers, dies, or reaches age 65 -- whichever happens first.
- 8.5 No medical examination is required if application is made for insurance within 60 days from date of employment. After the 60 day period, an "Evidence of Insurability" form, prepared by the company and available through the personnel office is required. No medical examination is required if this form is accepted by the company after review, but, if it is not so accepted, the applicant must have a medical examination at his expense.
- 8.6 Each policyholder receives a certificate issued by the company which is prepared and transmitted through the business office or personnel office.
- 8.7 The insurance of any employee under this policy shall terminate at the earliest time specified below:
 - 8.71 Upon discontinuance of the policy.
 - 8.72 At the end of a policy month during which the employee's employment with The University of Texas System in the classes eligible for the insurance terminates.
 - 8.73 On the date the employee attains the age of sixty-five years.
- 8.8 A person may continue to keep the coverage during periods of official Leave of Absence upon the direct payment of premiums through the business office of the appropriate component institution.



CHAPTER VII

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PHYSICAL PROPERTIES

Sec. 1. Except as otherwise specifically authorized, property of The University of Texas System shall be used only for official business. Only Library books and other items of similar nature of well-established use may be used for the personal benefit or pleasure of employees. A Property Manager is designated at each component institution.

Sec. 2. Inventories.

- 2.1 An actual physical inventory of property of The University of Texas System shall be made each fiscal year in accordance with Chapter 356, Acts of the 52nd Legislature, Regular Session, 1959, as amended (Article 6252-6, Vernon's Texas Civil Statutes), and in compliance with the "Manual of Instruction - Property Inventory Procedures," issued by the State Comptroller. The Chief Business Officer of each component institution shall issue the necessary implementing instructions.
- 2.2 Department heads are responsible for all University property in their care and for the taking of the inventory on the prescribed record forms.
- Inventories as of August 31 include all equipment on hand and vouchered 2.3 for payment, listed at cost plus freight. All nonconsumable property valued at \$50 or more per unit is equipment subject to inventory. Items that are worn out or discarded shall be deleted in accordance with instructions furnished.

Sec. 3: Motor Vehicles.

- 3.1 Any motor vehicles permitted under State law to be owned and operated by The University of Texas System shall be used only on official business. Each vehicle shall carry an inscription on both sides as prescribed by law.
- 3.2 As required by statutes, a daily report shall be prepared by the person using the vehicle on the forms approved by the State Auditor and shall be filed within ten days in a central location designated by the Chief Business Officer.

- **3.3** The operators of System-owned vehicles must hold, at their expense, an appropriate operator's license for the type of vehicle operated.
- 3.4 System-owned vehicles are subject to the compulsory inspection required by law.
- 3.5 It shall be the obligation of the Chief Business Officer of each of the component institutions to see that all employees who are required to drive University-owned vehicles are fully informed of their personal responsibility and liability for their negligent operation.
- 3.6 Each institution shall be cognizant of and render reports on operation of motor vehicles as required by the current appropriations bill.
- 3.7 The University of Texas System is authorized to acquire, operate, and maintain, including replacing, two passenger airplanes. Such airplanes may be acquired by gift only, purchase, or partly by gift and partly by purchase. All costs of acquisition, operation, and maintenance, including replacement, may be paid out of the Available University Fund allocable to The University of Texas System.

Sec. 4 Insurance on Property of The University of Texas System.

- 4.1 The following types of insurance coverage, where practicable, shall be maintained on a System-wide basis: Fire and Extended Coverage Insurance Boiler and Machinery Insurance Blanket Position (Fidelity) Bond Money and Securities Insurance) May be 1 policy Motor Vehicle Liability Insurance on State Owned Vehicles
- 4.2 The terms of the policies covering the risks indicated above are negotiated by the Associate Deputy Chancellor for Operations in accordance with procedures approved by the Deputy Chancellor and the Board of Regents.

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- 3.5 It shall be the obligation of the Chief Business Officer of each of the component institutions to see that all employees who are required to drive University-owned vehicles are fully informed of their personal responsibility and liability for their negligent operation.
- 3.6 The current appropriation bill provides that no funds appropriated thereby may be expended for the purchase or maintenance of motor vehicles by a state institution unless the institution submits to the Legislative Budget Board and the Governor's Budget Office within thirty (30) days after the beginning of each fiscal year a complete list of all rules, regulations, and policies prohibiting and penalizing the personal use of Stateowned passenger vehicles by employees.
 - 3.7 The University of Texas System is authorized to acquire, operate, and maintain, including replacing, one passenger airplane. Such airplane may be acquired by gift only, purchase, or partly by gift and partly by purchase. All costs of acquisition, operation, and maintenance, including replacement, may be paid out of the Available University Fund allocable to The University of Texas System.
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- 4.3 When it is necessary or advisable to insure risks on a basis other than System-wide, insurance policies covering such risks shall be approved by the Associate Deputy Chancellor for Operations on an individual basis upon recommendation by the Chief Business Officer of the component institution affected.
- 4.4 At the time a loss occurs applicable to either Systemwide or individual insurance policies, the Associate Deputy Chancellor for Operations shall be notified by the Chief Business Officer, and shall approve all loss claims and settlements. Any settlement over \$2,000 and under \$10,000 shall be reported to the Board of Regents for ratification. Settlements in the amount of \$10,000 or more must have the approval of the Board of Regents.

Sec. 5. Keys to Buildings, Offices, Etc.

- 5.1 Keys to buildings, offices, and other facilities shall be issued to the employee upon authorization by his chairman or administrative official. The Chief Business Officer or his delegate shall have immediate responsibility for handling keys and he shall issue instructions and outline procedures as approved by the Chief Business Officer and the Chief Administrative Officer.
- 5.2 A deposit is usually required for keys which sum is in turn deposited in the business office. Department heads shall cooperate in requiring that keys be turned in at the termination of employment. Where a deposit has been required, refund is made to the employee upon turning in the key.
- Sec. 6. <u>Safe and Vault Combinations</u>.--The combinations to all vaults and safes used by component institutions shall be filed under seal with the Chief Business Officer.
- Sec. 7. Police and Security Officers.
 - 7.1 Police and other security officers are employed at the component institutions to protect and safeguard the property of the institution.
 - 7.2 Employees will cooperate in the security program by exercising caution to safeguard the equipment and supplies in their offices.

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Sec. 9. Disposal of Property of The University of Texas System.

- 9.1 Whenever any item of equipment becomes obsolete or useless for the needs and purposes of the department concerned, a written report of such fact shall be made to the Chief Business Officer. Upon receipt of such report, it shall be the responsibility of the Chief Business Officer to determine whether or not such item of equipment is needed by any other department and, if so, to transfer and assign the equipment to such department.
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- 9.4 Sale of property estimated to bring \$2,000 or more shall be made on a basis of competitive bids.
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 - 2.1 The University will not permit the unrestricted use by non-University groups of any of its facilities.
 - 2.2 The University will not enter into joint sponsorship of any project or program that is to result in private gain for the cooperating group or groups.
 - 2.3 The University, established as a public institution without regard to political affiliation or religious faith, cannot be a joint sponsor with any noncampus organization for political or sectarian gatherings. However, the appearance by or on behalf of a candidate for public office may be authorized under conditions prescribed by the Board of Regents.
 - 2.4 Whenever non-University groups share in the use of University buildings, it must be upon the invitation of the University and under its joint sponsorship, and with the further understanding that all the conditions governing such sponsorship are to be set by the University.
 - 2.5 The University when entering into joint sponsorship of any program or activity assumes full responsibility for all details and reserves the right to approve all copy for advertising, as well as news releases.

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used for establishing additional museums or for the maintenance and operation of museums unless the language of this Act or of other acts and resolutions of the Legislature specifically authorizes such use of appropriated funds."

- 12.2 TV Stations Prohibited.--"None of the moneys appropriated in this Article may be expended for the acquisition, construction, or operation of television transmitter stations; provided, however, this prohibition shall not be construed so as to prevent the medical schools, dental school, general academic institutions or other agencies of Higher Education named in this Article from using closed-circuit television for purely instructional purposes, or to prevent general academic teaching institutions with existing transmitter stations to use same for educational purposes, or to prevent the continuance of operating arrangement with existing transmitter stations for purely educational purposes."
- 12.3 Presidents' Homes.--"No funds appropriated by this act may be used for the purpose of constructing a home for a president of any of the general academic teaching institutions named herein, without obtaining the approval of the Governor prior to obligating any funds for this purpose; provided, however, that copies of such requests for the Governor's approval...shall be filed with the Legislative Budget Board."
- 12.4 Use of Educational and General Funds for Alumni Activities Prohibited.--"None of the funds appropriated by this Article may be expended by State agencies of higher education for the support or maintenance of alumni organizations or activities."
- 12.5 Vending Machines Authorized.--"... Vending machines may be placed on State-owned Property or in State-owned Buildings only with the approval of the governing Board and such approval shall be recorded in the minutes of the body. A copy of the contract shall be filed with the State Board of Control showing the location within the agency and the terms of the contract. Proceeds, net revenue, rentals or commissions received shall be accounted for as State revenue and the amount so collected is hereby appropriated to the Institution for use as directed by the Board authorizing the installation."
- 12.6 Pay Station Telephones Authorized. -- "Pay telephones may be located in State-owned Buildings or on State-owned Land only with the approval of the governing Board and the net proceeds shall be collected and accounted for as State revenue and the amount so collected is hereby appropriated for use by the agency as determined by the governing Board."