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Board of Regents
The University of Texas System
Special Meeting Agenda
April 9, 1997 -- 11:45 a.m.
Regents' Room, Ninth Floor, Ashbel Smith Hall
Austin, Texas

AGENDA

- A. CALL TO ORDER Chairman Evans
- B. CONSIDERATION OF INTERIM AGENDA 97-2 Chairman Evans
Chancellor Cunningham
1. U. T. Board of Regents: Requested Approval of Committee and Other Representative Appointments by Chairman Evans
 2. U. T. El Paso - Renovation of the Commons/Conference Center (Project No. 201-909): Request for Authorization to Increase Total Project Cost; Approval of Preliminary Plans; Authorization to Prepare Final Plans, Bidding, and Award of Contracts with Management by the Office of Facilities Planning and Construction; Submission of the Project to the Coordinating Board; and Appropriation Therefor
- C. OTHER BUSINESS Chairman Evans
- D. ADJOURNMENT

OFFICE OF THE BOARD OF REGENTS
THE UNIVERSITY OF TEXAS SYSTEM
Austin, Texas

March 31, 1997

INTERIM AGENDA 97-2

TO: Members of the Board of Regents

Chairman Donald L. Evans
Vice-Chairman Tom Loeffler
Vice-Chairman Rita C. Clements
Regent Thomas O. Hicks
Regent Lowell H. Lebermann, Jr.
Regent Patrick C. Oxford
Regent A. W. "Dub" Riter, Jr.
Regent A. R. (Tony) Sanchez, Jr.
Regent Martha E. Smiley

1. U. T. Board of Regents: Requested Approval of Committee and Other Representative Appointments by Chairman Evans.--

RECOMMENDATION

In accordance with the requirements of the Regents' Rules and Regulations, Part One, Chapter I, Section 7, Chairman Evans requests the concurrence of the U. T. Board of Regents of his appointments to (1) the chairmanship of the Standing and Special Committees, (2) the Board for Lease of University Lands, (3) the Board of Directors of The University of Texas Investment Management Company (UTIMCO), and (4) the Board of Directors of the Texas Growth Fund as set forth below.

Chairman Evans' appointments to the Standing Committees, Special Committees, and other liaison groups, which do not require Regental approval, are also set forth below for information and are all effective immediately.

These appointments are currently in place and will remain in effect until the succeeding Board Chairman shall reconstitute the committees in 1999.

a. STANDING COMMITTEES

Executive Committee

Mr. Donald L. Evans, Chairman
Mr. Tom Loeffler, Vice-Chairman
Mrs. Rita C. Clements, Vice-Chairman

Business Affairs and Audit Committee

Mr. A. W. "Dub" Riter, Jr., Chairman
Mr. Thomas O. Hicks
Mr. Patrick C. Oxford

Academic Affairs Committee

Mr. Lowell H. Lebermann, Jr., Chairman
Mrs. Rita C. Clements
Mr. A. W. "Dub" Riter, Jr.
Ms. Martha E. Smiley

Health Affairs Committee

Mr. Tom Loeffler, Chairman
Mrs. Rita C. Clements
Mr. Patrick C. Oxford
Mr. A. R. (Tony) Sanchez, Jr.

Facilities Planning and Construction Committee

Mrs. Rita C. Clements, Chairman
Mr. Lowell H. Lebermann, Jr.
Mr. A. R. (Tony) Sanchez, Jr.

Note: Chairman Evans is an ex officio member of all standing committees.

b. BOARD FOR LEASE OF UNIVERSITY LANDS

Mr. Lowell H. Lebermann, Jr.
Ms. Martha E. Smiley

c. SPECIAL COMMITTEES

Special Committee on Telecommunications and Minorities and Women

Ms. Martha E. Smiley, Chairman
Mr. Patrick C. Oxford
Mr. A. R. (Tony) Sanchez, Jr.

Joint Conference Committee of Board of Regents
of The University of Texas System and Trustees
of Hermann Hospital (Health Affairs Committee)

Mr. Tom Loeffler, Chairman
Mrs. Rita C. Clements
Mr. Patrick C. Oxford
Mr. A. R. (Tony) Sanchez, Jr.

Santa Rita Award

Mr. Lowell H. Lebermann, Jr., Chairman
Mr. Thomas O. Hicks
Ms. Martha E. Smiley

Note: Chairman Evans is an ex officio
member of all special committees.

d. REGENTAL REPRESENTATIVES

The University of Texas Investment Management Company
(UTIMCO) Board of Directors

Mr. Thomas O. Hicks
Mr. Tom Loeffler
Mr. A. W. "Dub" Riter, Jr.

Texas Growth Fund

Mr. Lowell H. Lebermann, Jr.

Committee of Governing Boards, Texas Public Senior
Colleges and Universities

Mr. Donald L. Evans

2. U. T. El Paso - Renovation of the Commons/Conference
Center (Project No. 201-909): Request for Authorization
to Increase Total Project Cost; Approval of Preliminary
Plans; Authorization to Prepare Final Plans, Bidding, and
Award of Contracts with Management by the Office of
Facilities Planning and Construction; Submission of the
Project to the Coordinating Board; and Appropriation
Therefor.--

RECOMMENDATION

The Chancellor concurs in the recommendation of the Executive
Vice Chancellor for Academic Affairs, the Executive Vice

Chancellor for Business Affairs, and President Natalicio that the U. T. Board of Regents:

- a. Approve an increase in the total project cost for the Renovation of the Commons/Conference Center at U. T. El Paso from \$1,000,000 to \$1,500,000
- b. Approve preliminary plans at the increased total project cost of \$1,500,000
- c. Authorize preparation of final plans, bidding, and award of all contracts within the total project cost with management by the Office of Facilities Planning and Construction
- d. Authorize submission of the project to the Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board
- e. Appropriate \$1,000,000 from Gifts and Grants and \$500,000 from Unexpended Plant Funds for total project funding.

BACKGROUND INFORMATION

The FY 1996-2001 Capital Improvement Program and the FY 1996-1997 Capital Budget were amended in October 1996 to include a project for the Renovation of the Commons/Conference Center at U. T. El Paso.

The original total project cost estimate reflected a \$1,000,000 gift provided by El Paso Natural Gas Company, to be paid in the amount of \$200,000 per year for five years, to create a conference center at the Commons by refurbishing existing interior space. The original assessment was made without a thorough engineering examination of the building's mechanical, electrical, and plumbing systems. The engineering review and design have now been completed and have shown that that these existing elements are either incapable of supporting the remodeled facility or cannot be expected to provide service for a reasonable period after completion of the project. The poor condition of the facility is due to inadequate maintenance during the many years that it was used by a privately contracted food service.

The most recent cost estimates have indicated that with the inclusion of this mechanical systems work, the project cost now exceeds the \$1,000,000 authorized by the U. T. Board of

Regents on October 8, 1996. Therefore, an increase in total project cost to \$1,500,000 is now required to upgrade existing elements of the building's infrastructure in order to support the remodeled facility and to extend the facility's useful life to meet its current needs.

The current proposed construction schedule shows construction to commence in May 1997 and to be completed by September 1997 in order to minimize the disruption of food service for University Housing. Therefore, it is requested that this recommendation be approved by the U. T. Board of Regents as an interim agenda item to avoid delay of the project.

The total project cost of \$1,500,000 will be funded by \$1,000,000 from Gifts and Grants and \$500,000 from Unexpended Plant Funds.

Approval of this item will amend the FY 1996-2001 Capital Improvement Program and the FY 1996-1997 Capital Budget.

xc: Chancellor Cunningham
Executive Vice Chancellor Duncan
Executive Vice Chancellor Mullins
Executive Vice Chancellor Burck
Vice Chancellor Farabee
Vice Chancellor Perry
Mr. John A. Roan
Dr. James A. Broaddus