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Austin, Texas

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WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 3, 1997.--The members of the Board of Regents of The University of Texas System convened at 2:15 p.m. on Wednesday, September 3, 1997, in the West Salon of the San Jacinto Ballroom in the Four Seasons Hotel at 98 San Jacinto Boulevard in Austin, Texas, to begin a series of workshop sessions which would extend until early afternoon on Saturday, September 6, 1997.

ATTENDANCE.--

<u>Present</u>	<u>Absent</u>
Chairman Evans, presiding	
*Vice-Chairman Loeffler	
Vice-Chairman Clements	
*Regent Hicks	
Regent Lebermann	
Regent Oxford	
Regent Riter	
*Regent Sanchez	
Regent Smiley	

Executive Secretary Dilly

Chancellor Cunningham

In accordance with a notice being duly posted with the Secretary of State and there being a quorum present, Chairman Evans called the meeting to order. He announced that the purpose of the sessions, which would extend through Saturday Noon (September 6), would be to conduct workshops with the component presidents and staff to review strategic plans and missions, enrollments, fiscal resources, faculty and staff development, academic and research program plans, operating efficiency and effectiveness, and private fund development issues for seven of The University of Texas System general

*Vice-Chairman Loeffler and Regent Hicks were absent from the session on September 3 and Regent Sanchez was absent from the session on September 6.

academic institutions. Mr. Evans emphasized that these would be information gathering sessions for the Board and he hoped for a significant and meaningful interaction between the Board and the component representatives.

The Board heard component presentations on the following schedule and materials used in those presentations are on file in the Office of the Board of Regents:

<u>September 3, 1997</u>	West Salon, San Jacinto Ballroom, Four Seasons Hotel, Austin
2:15 p.m.	Overview and discussion of goals and expectations: Chancellor Cunningham
4:00 p.m.	The University of Texas of the Permian Basin: President Sorber
<u>September 4, 1997</u>	Schmidt Room, Lila B. Etter Alumni Center, The University of Texas at Austin
8:00 a.m.	The University of Texas at Austin: President ad interim Flawn
2:30 p.m.	The University of Texas at San Antonio: President Kirkpatrick
<u>September 5, 1997</u>	Schmidt Room, Lila B. Etter Alumni Center, U. T. Austin
8:30 a.m.	The University of Texas - Pan American: President Nevarez
2:00 p.m.	The University of Texas at Brownsville: President Garcia
4:00 p.m.	The University of Texas at Tyler: Executive Vice Chancellor Burck
<u>September 6, 1997</u>	West Salon, San Jacinto Ballroom, Four Seasons Hotel, Austin
8:25 a.m.	Executive Session: Chairman Evans
9:30 a.m.	The University of Texas at El Paso: President Natalicio

RECESS TO EXECUTIVE SESSION.--In keeping with a supplemental posting with the Secretary of State, the Board recessed from Open Session to Executive Session on September 6, 1997, at 8:25 a.m. in accordance with Section 551.072 of the Texas Government Code to consider the exchange of State property or the sale to the State of Texas of approximately 3.84 acres of land and improvements located at 1606 Niles Road (also commonly known as #6 Niles Road and/or "Woodlawn"), Austin, Travis County, Texas.

RECONVENE.--At 9:20 a.m., the Executive Session was concluded. Chairman Evans announced in Open Session that, following extensive discussion of the proposed exchange of State property or the sale to the State of Texas of approximately 3.84 acres of land and improvements located at 1606 Niles Road (also commonly known as #6 Niles Road and/or "Woodlawn"), Austin, Travis County, Texas, no formal action by the Board was necessary, and that he would continue to meet with Lieutenant Governor Bullock and the State Preservation Board to determine if an exchange of property or an outright sale to the State could be arranged on terms satisfactory to both parties. He emphasized that any prospective arrangement would be returned to the Board for any final decision.

Following President Natalicio's presentation on U. T. El Paso, which concluded at 12:05 p.m., Chairman Evans expressed the Board's appreciation to Chancellor Cunningham and the System Administration and component institution staff for their efforts to make the workshop sessions a valuable informational exchange. He indicated that these sessions coupled with the sessions planned with the two remaining general academic units and the six health-related units would assist the Board to develop a realistic action plan to address the problems and challenges faced by the U. T. System in the 21st Century.

ADJOURNMENT.--The meeting was adjourned at 12:30 p.m. on September 6, 1997.

/s/ Arthur H. Dilly
Executive Secretary

September 17, 1997