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MATERIAL SUPPORTING THE AGENDA

Volume XIId

May 1964 - August 1964

This volume contains the Material Supporting the Agenda furnished to each member of the Board of Regents prior to the meetings held on May 16, May 21-23, and June 26-27, 1964.

The material is divided according to the Standing Committees and the meetings that were held and is submitted on three different colors, namely:

- (1) white paper - for the documentation of all items that were presented before the deadline date
- (2) blue paper - all items submitted to the Executive Session of the Committee of the Whole and distributed only to the Regents, Chancellor, and Chancellor Emeritus
- (3) yellow paper - emergency items distributed at the meeting

Material distributed at the meeting as additional documentation is not included in the bound volume, because sometimes there is an unusual amount and other times maybe some people get copies and some do not get copies. If the Secretary were furnished a copy, then that material goes in the appropriate subject folder.

This volume contains the supporting material for the
May 1964 meetings of the Board of Regents: May 16 and
May 21-22, 1964.

1. May 21-22, 1964
2. May 16, 1964 - only Dr. Ransom's Material
3. Supplementary Agenda Material (Green paper)
4. Material Distributed at Meeting (yellow paper)

DOCUMENTS FROM THE CHANCELLOR

ADMINISTRATIVE CONFIDENTIAL

Regents Meeting, May 16, 1964

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HARRY RANSOM



OFFICE OF THE CHANCELLOR
THE UNIVERSITY OF TEXAS
AUSTIN, TEXAS 78712

May 9, 1964

In connection with the general discussions of the Committee of the Whole, to be held on Saturday, May 16, 1964, I suggest that the following points of information and the following recommendations for the Board's decision be included in the informal agenda:

1. PREPARATION OF RELEASE ON APPOINTMENT OF DEAN PAUL WEISS

The release would be prepared for publication on May 24, just preceding the visit of Dr. Weiss to Houston.

2. PROGRESS REPORTS ON

- (A) Negotiations for the Silver Library
- (B) Ford Grant to the humanities program (Translation Center)
- (C) The NSF general grant
- (D) Congressional legislation on program in water resources
- (E) Congressional legislation on new medical-school support
- (F) Status of plan for married-students housing (either separately or in conjunction with other housing problems)

3. POLICY CONCERNING PROPOSED WILL

A friend of the University now proposes to leave \$1,000,000 for the development of humanities and fine arts programs, the total amount of the bequest to be expended within ten years after receipt of funds from the executors. The original proposal, limited to faculty-student activities and carefully excluding all buildings, construction, etc.,

including a stipulation that funds would be expended within four years. I believe that the longer period is more practical, and neither the donor nor his lawyers find any objection to the longer period. As a matter of policy, however, I believe that the Board should approve the Administration's acceptance of these terms.

4. STUDENT REPORT ON ACADEMIC PROGRAMS IN UNIVERSITY DORMITORIES

I am including in this summary the report submitted by the President of the Student Body and his committee, predicted in my general comments to the Board prior to the meeting in April.

5. FURTHER POSSIBILITIES OF HOUSING ON THE BRACKENRIDGE TRACT

Now that legal details concerning uses of the Brackenridge Tract for married-student housing have been settled, I should like to introduce the question of gradual reduction of housing on the main campus and the construction of quadrangle arrangements on the Tract. At this point, the Board's approval will be sought only for authorization to proceed with study of the feasibility of this plan.

6. REPORT ON INQUIRIES FROM AGENTS OF THE FORD FOUNDATION, NASA, ET AL., CONCERNING SEGREGATED DORMITORY SPACE

7. LETTER FROM AUSTIN SCHOOL TRUSTEES CONCERNING U.J.H.

A copy of this letter is reproduced here.

8. CHANGES IN ATHLETICS OFFICE ORGANIZATION

Dr. Hackerman's recommendations are included here.

9. ACTIONS OF THE SOUTHWEST CONFERENCE AT THE MAY MEETING IN LUBBOCK

The Administration had no prior notice of the action taken against the University and other institutions at this meeting. The significance of the action, and the University's official position (and policy) in regard to it should be discussed at this meeting.

10. ADMINISTRATIVE APPOINTMENTS AND REORGANIZATION

I will ask for an executive session at which the Board can review both immediate and less immediate prospects of major administrative appointment--particularly (a) the appointment of Dr. Blocker as Executive Director of the Medical Branch and procedure for the appointment of a Dean of the Medical School in Galveston and (b) the introduction of Professor Lambert to the procedures of the investment committee and the Investment Office, a step which Dr. Dolley has approved. I should also ask to discuss implications of both these arrangements and certain other questions of organization in terms of future retirements and appointments.

11. COMMENCEMENT

I am sure that Judge Heath and Mr. Erwin will wish to discuss plans for Commencement with the Board.

12. DEVELOPMENT BOARD AND DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM

I will introduce proposals concerning the development program, 1964-65, in general and suggest (for action at the meeting in El Paso) prospects of membership in the Board beginning September 1, 1964.

13. BIENNIAL REQUEST: INSTITUTIONAL HEADS

At this meeting, the general policy concerning the University's position relative to salary requests for institutional heads should be decided.

14. OFFER TO MR. DI NINO

Details are not available at this point, but Mr. Di Nino is considering an offer from another institution. The matter will be introduced by Dr. Hackerman at this meeting.

15. COMMITTEE OF 25

A brief summary of the "progress" of this committee will be presented with special reference to its effect upon the University.

16. POSSIBLE JOINT MEETING WITH THE A AND M UNIVERSITY BOARD

I believe that it might be wise to consider the possibility of a joint meeting with the A and M Board during the autumn--perhaps just before the Thanksgiving Game. Two or three hours of discussion of joint problems and opportunities would bring sense, I think, into the context of "cooperative" programs now recommended in the state.



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ASSIGNMENT FOR DR. JOHN TRUSLOW, MAY 15 - AUGUST 31, 1964

The following letter has been received from Dr. Truslow following a suggestion by the Chancellor (after discussion with the Board) that he undertake a special assignment outside Galveston from May 15 until August 31.

Certain details in Dr. Truslow's letter should be discussed by the Board on May 16. Meanwhile, the Chancellor approves the general arrangement.

In the regular agenda, the appointment of Dr. Truman Blocker as Acting Director (May 16 - August 31) and his permanent appointment on September 1 will be listed for discussion and action.

HR:np
5/11/64

THE UNIVERSITY OF TEXAS — MEDICAL BRANCH
GALVESTON

May 8, 1964

THE SCHOOL OF MEDICINE
THE SCHOOL OF NURSING
THE TECHNICAL CURRICULA
THE POST-GRADUATE PROGRAM

THE JOHN SEALY HOSPITAL
THE CHILDREN'S HOSPITAL
THE PSYCHOPATHIC HOSPITAL
THE ROSA AND HENRY ZIEGLER HOSPITAL

AIRMAIL

Dr. Harry H. Ransom
Chancellor
The University of Texas
University Station
Austin, Texas 78712

CHANCELLOR'S OFFICE U. OF T.

Acknowledged..... File.....

REC'D MAY 9 1964

TO..... FOR INFO AND RETURN
TO..... PLEASE ADVISE ME
TO..... PLEASE HANDLE

Dear Chancellor Ransom:

In line with our conversations in Galveston and in Austin, I herewith submit a request for leave of absence from my regular duties as Executive Dean and Director of The University of Texas Medical Branch from May 15, 1964 to September 1, 1964, with full salary.

It would be my intention to spend the week of May 10th in the office, doing everything possible to acquaint my successor with ongoing activities and obligations and to assure to the best of my ability an easy transfer of leadership. Our present plan is to remove our personal effects from the Stewart House about the first week in June, 1964, and to go to Maine for a period of concentration upon the work of the Wooldridge Committee and the plans for our future.

One cannot be associated for eight years as intimately and determinedly as I have been with the Medical Branch without feeling a strong sense of identification with its present and its future. I would like to feel that if I can be of service to the University and if this service should incur any expense, particularly travel and telephone, that I may, with the approval of my successor in each instance, draw on the funds of the Office of the Executive Dean and Director for full reimbursement up to September 1, 1964.

With reference to the appointment as Consultant to the Chancellor, I appreciate your suggestion that a decision on this could wait for several months. Would you kindly indicate whether July 1, 1964 is a reasonable target date for a further communication from me on this matter.

Sincerely yours,

John B. Truslow
John B. Truslow, M.D.
Executive Dean and Director

JBT:jgw



OFFICE OF THE CHANCELLOR
THE UNIVERSITY OF TEXAS
AUSTIN, TEXAS 78712

May 11, 1964

Dr. John B. Truslow
Executive Dean & Director
The University of Texas
Medical Branch
Galveston, Texas

Dear Dr. Truslow:

In response to your letter of May 8, 1964, and in accordance with our previous conversations in Galveston and in Austin, I have recommended to the Board of Regents that you have a research assignment as Professor of Administrative Medicine for the period May 15, 1964, to August 31, 1964, inclusive. Also, I have recommended that your current salary rate as Executive Dean and Director be continued for the specified period of your reassignment of duties.

Dr. Truman G. Blocker is being appointed Acting Executive Dean and Director of the Medical Branch effective May 15, 1964, to August 31, 1964, inclusive. Any arrangements for travel expenses or any other expenses to be paid from funds of the office of Executive Dean and Director should be approved by Dr. Blocker during the period of your reassignment. You know, of course, that under existing State law only the executive head of an institution may receive full reimbursement for travel expenses. Therefore, during the period of your reassignment of duties, you will be entitled to receive only the standard State allowance provided employees of the State.

I appreciate your cooperation in the orderly transfer of administrative responsibilities at the Medical Branch.

The first week in June, 1964, as you have suggested, is satisfactory for vacating the Stewart house.

The date of July 1, 1964, suggested by you, is also satisfactory as a date for your answer with reference to your appointment as Consultant to the Chancellor.

Sincerely yours,

Harry Ransom
Chancellor

cc: Dr. Truman G. Blocker
Secretary, Board of Regents

RECOMMENDATION

Reassignment of duties for Dr. John B. Truslow
from May 15, 1964, to August 31, 1964

Chancellor Ransom recommends a reassignment of duties for Dr. John B. Truslow from Executive Dean and Director of the Medical Branch at Galveston to Professor of Administrative Medicine (research assignment) for the period May 15, 1964, to August 31, 1964, inclusive. Dr. Truslow, during his period of reassignment, will continue to receive compensation at the same salary rate as he was receiving as Executive Dean and Director of the Medical Branch (including payments on annuity). The source of funds will be Medical Branch Unallocated Salaries and Current Restricted Funds that may be available for this purpose.

HR:np
5/11/64

REPORT OF STUDENT COMMITTEE

ON ACADEMIC PROGRAM IN UNIVERSITY DORMITORIES

The central issue in the Committee's study of the University and student culture is an institutional one: what is the appropriate role of the University in initiating and maintaining living units and living unit programs? Our study has anticipated problems of academic freedom for the students and difficulties of funding and administration on the part of the University. It has attempted to focus with some precision on the nature of the responsibilities of the institution and upon the opportunities - and difficulties - of student residential programming.

An Experimental Beginning

Because traditions are only slowly refashioned and because there are many elemental and fundamental program questions yet unanswered, the Committee continues to endorse a limited and well-considered pilot program.

Careful consideration has been given to possibilities of housing to be supported by non-University groups; yet each - for reasons which can be discussed independent of the report - have been rejected. One essential and consistent reason for Committee rejection of full support and involvement in other programs is the unity of our concern that the first and important steps be taken by the University itself. It is on University facilities and on the programs in those facilities that the Committee has focused its efforts. We have all felt strongly that it is in this area that the clearest and greatest responsibility lies - and here that our profoundest opportunities also rest.

1964-65: A Proposal

No university facility can be made available for a program next year. This causes us to make a two-part proposal:

- 1) that the University permit the initiation next year of experimental pilot groups in existing units and do all it can to facilitate their operation; and
- 2) that the Committee and some officer appointed by the University begin immediately to plan and organize a 1964-66 pilot project to be housed in Andrews and Carothers dormitories.

The second portion of the proposal will be discussed independently of the report. The first portion, however, should be discussed in some detail.

The purpose of the pilot-group proposal is the same as that which the Committee set forth in the earlier Glickman report: to effect formal and informal changes in the quality of the residential academic experience. This proposal is put forward with the understanding by the Committee that

it cannot, of its nature, meet the purpose toward which it should strive. It can, however, make a significant, if not sufficient, contribution to that end.

Essentially we propose that, within the existing facilities, students (both men and women) be permitted to volunteer for a modified program. Room reservations would be altered for those who volunteer so that they might be housed together in wings or floors with counselors and advisers who have been carefully selected and who will administer a modest program of dinner conversations, visits with professors and visiting lecturers, joint participation in cultural and academic events, self-initiated study projects, etc.

In order for this program to be implemented, several steps must be taken:

1. Permission must be granted by the University for readjustment of room priority rules;
2. Permission must be granted for aggregation of students in selected areas of involved dormitories;
3. Counselors and advisers be selected by a student and administration committee;
4. Official support for the program would be communicated to administration officials and their co-operation solicited;
5. Formal and informal efforts would be initiated to explain the program and begin to recruit interested students.

It is suggested that a mailing be prepared for distribution in the early summer and sent to those who have contracts in participating facilities. A cut-off date would be established, after which room assignments would be made final. Every effort should be made to avoid the impression that the program is for a particularly qualified student; in fact, the program seeks to recruit and serve those who have interest and intention regardless of past achievement.

University-wide Coordination

Those persons administering pilot-group programs in the several dormitories will join in a University-wide council to coordinate faculty invitations, speaker's programs and other related activities. Other living units operating similar programs would be included in this joint planning.



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May 4, 1964

MEMORANDUM

To: Dr. Ransom
From: G. W. Landrum *GWL*
Subject: Status of Dormitory Revenue Bond Issues - Main University

The following dormitory revenue bonds are outstanding as at August 31, 1963:

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| 1. Series 1954
(Moore Hall, Simkins Hall, Blanton
Dormitory, Varsity Cafeteria) | \$ 3,028,000 |
| 2. Series 1956
(Kinsolving Dormitory, with the revenue
of Andrews and Carothers pledged to the
retirement of this indebtedness.) | 3,771,000 |

Total Dormitory Revenue Bonds Outstanding \$ 6,799,000

Debt service requirements covering principal and interest on the outstanding revenue bonds are as follows:

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| 1. Series 1954 (through 1992) | \$148,000 to \$153,000 per year |
| 2. Series 1956 (through 1994) | \$168,000 to \$190,000 per year |

A minimum of \$316,000 and a maximum of \$343,000 is required to meet the debt service requirement on these outstanding dormitory revenue bonds.

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AUSTIN INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT

OFFICE OF THE SUPERINTENDENT

AUSTIN 1, TEXAS

May 6, 1964

Dr. H. H. Ransom, Chancellor
The University of Texas
Austin, Texas

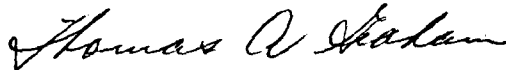
Dear Dr. Ransom:

The Board of Trustees of the Austin Independent School District met May 1 in special session to consider the action of the Board of Regents of The University of Texas of April 24 in which proposals were offered for a continuation of the program of practice teaching, observation, experimentation and demonstration in all of the public schools. The Trustees, after careful consideration, passed a motion by unanimous consent "that, on the basis of the University's proposal, the Austin Board of School Trustees take parallel action to extend the status quo to June 1, 1968, and to continue negotiations on the matter with The University of Texas."

The Board of Trustees concurred with the desire of the University to take possession of a portion of the junior high school site on June 1, 1965, but expressed the hope that the portion used may be chosen to the mutual advantage of both parties through conference between the two administrations.

We appreciate the fine cooperative spirit of the administration of The University of Texas and the Board of Regents and should like to continue our negotiations at the pleasure of the representatives of The University of Texas.

Sincerely yours,



Thomas A. Graham
President, Board of Trustees



Irby B. Carruth
Superintendent of Schools

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Copies to:

Dr. Norman Hackerman
Dr. L. D. Haskew
Dr. C. C. Colvert
Mr. W. W. Heath



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AUSTIN 12, TEXAS

VICE-CHANCELLOR
FOR ACADEMIC AFFAIRS

May 6, 1964

MEMORANDUM

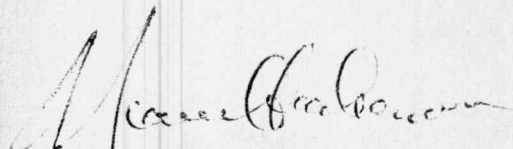
To: Chancellor Ransom

Subject: Changes in the Athletic Office

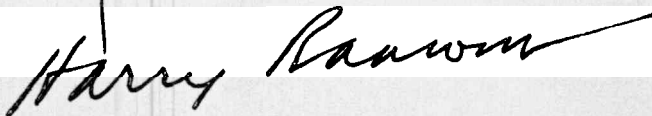
Over the past few days there have been several individual recommendations from Athletic Director Royal and the Athletic Council with regard to the structure of the Athletic Office. These recommendations, with which I agree wholeheartedly, are as follows:

1. Promotion of Jack C. Patterson as Assistant Athletic Director, Head Track and Cross Country, Director of Texas Relays, effective May 1, 1964, with a salary change from \$10,000 to \$12,000.
2. Promotion of Albert H. Lundstedt from Assistant Business Manager to Business Manager effective May 1, 1964, with a salary change from \$7440 to \$9000. (In the 1964-65 budget he was listed at \$7800.)
3. Promotion of Alfred R. Rochs from Assistant Business Manager to Associate Business Manager, effective May 1, 1964, with a salary change from \$7440 to \$8160. (In the 1964-65 budget he was listed at \$7800.)

These changes were made after considerable discussion and debate as to the optimum arrangement for effective functioning of the Athletic Office. I am pleased at both the promotion internally of one of our own staff to the new position of Assistant Athletic Director and to the position of Business Manager. All of the increases in costs will be borne by Athletic Department funds.


Norman Hackerman

NH:as



ARCHITECTURAL STUDY GROUP: PUBLIC MEMBERS

In suggesting two "members of the public" for Mrs. Johnson's committee, I would distinguish the need of including (a) a general contractor and (b) a widely recognized and highly knowledgeable citizen capable of discussing the arts in general.

Hence I would nominate as a contractor Mr. Jamie Odom of Austin and as possibilities in the other category the following citizens (approximately in order of preference)

Stanley Marcus

James J. Sweeney

William Hobby, Jr.

Aaron Farfeld



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GENERAL COMMENT ON DEVELOPMENT OF COMPUTATION FACILITIES

Mr. Erwin and other members of the Board have requested that the Administration provide a general statement concerning the uses of computers.

The following introduction of the faculty committee report is an academic - but relatively simple - discussion of potentials. From time to time, the Administration will send the members of the Board other statements drawn from the general press.

Frankly, I think that there is some danger in both academic comments and in popular descriptions, both of which occasionally imply that computers can do everything but play football. Our emphasis, therefore, will be on the specific jobs which our computers are actually doing each year.

In other words, we will distinguish (a) what we are getting at any given time for our money from (b) the intellectual prospects which every great university must incorporate. The latter prospects are essential in the Board's plans for the University's improvement; but they are much less easy to explain to the layman who has no connection with the University.

HR:np
5/11/64

THE COMPUTER REVOLUTION AND THE UNIVERSITY

Within a span of only a dozen years, the modern electronic computer has completely revolutionized the world. Few are truly aware of this great revolution although everyone has felt its impact. Such concepts as automation, systems development, cybernetics, and artificial intelligence are commonplace in many sectors of our society. But the major social changes and scientific benefits of the computer revolution are still before us.

The original purpose of the computer was for performing numeric operations and its effectiveness in this regard is well known. Its ability when properly programmed to carry out truly a large number of arithmetic calculations and algebraic determinations in a very short period of time has reached what can only be described as staggering proportions when viewed in the perspective of the middle 1950's. Because of this it has become possible to attempt problems in a variety of fields which were not amenable to solution before. For example, the setting up of differential equations has long been an exercise in these same fields, but often has led only to a statement that if the solution to a particular equation were known, then the problem in engineering or in biology would be solved. The computer which provides this possibility has caused a veritable revolution in engineering, space technology, applied mathematics, physics, chemistry, psychology, biology, astronomy, meteorology, and in many other scientific fields. Some sciences could not exist in their present form but for the modern computer.

The effectiveness of the modern computer in performing non-numeric operations is not as well known. Together with the library, the computation center will provide for storage, retrieval, and analysis of information in enormous quantities. Only a computer-based system can solve the problem arising from the explosive rate at which new knowledge is accumulating. Related to the problems of handling huge quantities of information are other non-numeric uses of computers--language analysis and translation, pattern recognition and perception, the development of artificial intelligence and the simulation of human thought processes, inventory control, accounting, and decision-making in complex organizations, system development, analysis and control ranging from huge industrial organization to the tiniest of living cells. The full impact of these exciting developments in the non-numeric aspects of the computer sciences is yet to be realized, though it is virtually certain that such applications will be common within ten years.

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5/5/64