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1. **U. T. Board of Regents: Approval to amend the Regents' Rules and Regulations regarding academic titles (Part One, Chapter III, Section 1, Subsection 1.6, Subdivision 1.62)**

RECOMMENDATION

The Chancellor concurs in the recommendation of the Executive Vice Chancellor for Academic Affairs, the Executive Vice Chancellor for Health Affairs, and the Vice Chancellor and General Counsel that the Regents' Rules and Regulations, Part One, Chapter III, Section 1, Subsection 1.6, Subdivision 1.62, regarding academic titles, be amended to add a new Item (d) to Subparagraph 1.624 as set forth below in congressional style and to renumber current Item (d) as Item (e):

Sec. 1. Appointments

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1.6 Appointment of Faculty

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1.62 Academic Titles

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1.624 ...

(d)

Adjoint Professor, Adjoint Associate Professor and Adjoint Assistant Professor

These titles may be used by the component institutions to designate faculty who serve the institution in cooperative or joint programs pursuant to a memorandum of understanding, cooperative research and development agreement, or similar partnership instrument. Persons holding these titles will be employees of and compensated by the partnership organization. They will not be deemed employees of the component institution. They will, however, have the same obligations, responsibilities, and authority as regular faculty employed directly by the component institution when performing faculty functions pursuant to the agreement. Appointments will usually be part-time for the purpose of supervising theses and dissertations or for teaching highly specialized courses. The term of the appointment shall be specified in the agreement with the partner organization.

BACKGROUND INFORMATION

The addition of the Adjoint prefix for academic titles in the Regents' Rules and Regulations, Part One, Chapter III, Section 1, Subsection 1.6 will allow U. T. component institutions to designate individuals as faculty members with similar obligations, responsibilities, and authority as regular faculty, who are employees of partnership entities in joint or cooperative research and instructional programs. Adjoint faculty will not be deemed employees of the component institution nor will they be eligible for tenure status.

2. U. T. Arlington: Authorization to purchase real property at 415 South Oak Street, Arlington, Tarrant County, Texas; and approval of parity debt

RECOMMENDATION

The Chancellor concurs in the recommendation of the Executive Vice Chancellor for Academic Affairs, the Interim Vice Chancellor for Business Affairs, and President Spaniolo that the U. T. Board of Regents:

- a. authorize the Executive Director of Real Estate to take all steps necessary to purchase the property located at 415 South Oak Street, Arlington, Tarrant County, Texas, and to execute all documents related thereto; and
- b. resolve in accordance with Section 5 of the Amended and Restated Master Resolution Establishing The University of Texas System Revenue Financing System that:
 - parity debt shall be issued to pay the acquisition cost, including any costs prior to the issuance of such parity debt;
 - sufficient funds will be available to meet the financial obligations of the U. T. System, including sufficient Pledged Revenues as defined in the Master Resolution to satisfy the Annual Debt Service Requirements of the Financing System, and to meet all financial obligations of the U. T. Board of Regents relating to the Financing System; and
 - U. T. Arlington, which is a "Member" as such term is used in the Master Resolution, possesses the financial capacity to satisfy its direct obligation as defined in the Master Resolution relating to the issuance by the U. T. Board of Regents of tax-exempt parity debt in the aggregate amount of \$1.3 million.

BACKGROUND INFORMATION

U. T. Arlington is requesting Board of Regents' approval to purchase the Aquarius Apartment property located at 415 South Oak Street in Arlington. The subject property consists of a 52-unit apartment complex on a 0.9986-acre site that lies within the Board of Regents' approved Campus Master Plan boundaries and is identified in the approved Campus Master Plan as a "First Priority Acquisition". It also lies within the legislatively approved zone for campus land acquisitions.

The current owner has agreed to sell the property at its appraised market value of \$1.3 million. Upon acquisition, the apartments will be added to the U. T. Arlington facilities inventory and will help to satisfy the current demand for university-owned housing. The terms and conditions are as reflected in the transaction summary below:

Transaction Summary

Component:	U. T. Arlington
Type of Transaction:	Purchase
Property Name:	Aquarius Apartments
Property Address:	415 South Oak Street
Type of Property:	52-unit apartment complex
Year Built:	Approximately 1971
Site:	45,300 square feet (0.9986 acres)
Improvements:	32,056 gross square feet 31,446 rentable square feet
Parking:	76 spaces
Purchase Price:	\$1.3 million
Price Per Unit:	\$25,000
Price Per Rentable S.F.:	\$41.34
Appraised Value:	\$1.3 million (Hanes Appraisal Company, James S. Hanes, MAI, December 19, 2003)

3. **U. T. Arlington: Determination of necessity and authorization to acquire real property located at 124 Southdale Drive, Arlington, Tarrant County, Texas, by purchase or condemnation, if necessary**

RECOMMENDATION

The Chancellor concurs in the recommendation of the Executive Vice Chancellor for Academic Affairs, the Interim Vice Chancellor for Business Affairs, and President Spaniolo that authorization be granted by the U. T. Board of Regents, on behalf of U. T. Arlington, to:

- a. determine that it is necessary for U. T. Arlington to acquire, through condemnation proceedings if necessary, the real property and improvements located at 124 Southdale Drive, Arlington, Tarrant County, Texas, at a price not to exceed its fair market value as determined by an independent appraisal or by the determination of the court; and
- b. authorize the Executive Director of Real Estate to execute all documents, instruments, and other agreements, and to initiate a condemnation action of the subject property, if necessary, through the U. T. System Office of General Counsel and the Office of the Attorney General of the State of Texas, and to take all further actions deemed necessary or advisable to carry out the purpose and intent of the foregoing recommendations.

[See Item 4 on Page 70 related to proposed construction of Student Apartments.]

BACKGROUND INFORMATION

The subject property is located within the land acquisition boundary authorized by the Texas Legislature in 1967, and is legally described as Lot 3, Block 2, Southdale Addition to the City of Arlington, Tarrant County, Texas. U. T. Arlington's highest independent appraisal of the property is \$66,000, well below the owner's asking price of \$120,000. The property consists of a lot containing approximately 9,450 square feet, and a nonowner occupied house containing 852 square feet. After acquisition, U. T. Arlington intends to demolish the improvements and use the land as part of a site on which to construct new student housing units (Silver Stone Apartments) that are included in the approved FY 2004-2009 Capital Improvement Program. The schedule for this apartment project includes a construction start date of September 1, 2004, and a completion date of July 2005. The property acquisition terms and conditions are as reflected in the transaction summary on Page 44.

Transaction Summary

Component: U. T. Arlington
Type of Transaction: Purchase or Condemnation
Property Address: 124 Southdale Drive
Type of Property: Single Family Residential (nonowner occupied)
Year Built: Approximately 1955
Site: 9,450 square feet
Improvements: 852 square feet
Purchase Price: Fair market value (as determined by independent appraisals or by the court)
Source of Funding: Local Fund Balances
Appraised Value: \$66,000 (Dennis Jorgensen, SRA, January 23, 2004)
Asking Price: \$120,000

4. U. T. Austin: LBJ Plaza Renovation/Lady Bird Johnson Center - Amendment of FY 2004-2009 Capital Improvement Program and the FY 2004-2005 Capital Budget to include project

RECOMMENDATION

The Chancellor concurs in the recommendation of the Executive Vice Chancellor for Academic Affairs, the Interim Vice Chancellor for Business Affairs, and President Faulkner that the U. T. Board of Regents amend the FY 2004-2009 Capital Improvement Program and the FY 2004-2005 Capital Budget to include the LBJ Plaza Renovation/Lady Bird Johnson Center project at U. T. Austin.

Architecturally or Historically Significant:

(Note: Item is before the Board; see Item 1 on Page 67.)

Project Delivery Method:

Construction Manager at Risk

Substantial Completion Date:

February 2007

Total Project Cost:	<u>Source</u>	<u>Current</u>	<u>Proposed</u>
	Grants	-	\$15,000,000
	Unexpended Plant Funds		<u>\$15,000,000</u>
			\$30,000,000

Project Description: This project consists of the rehabilitation and modification of the elevated plaza and drainage system surrounding the LBJ Library, which has leaked for many years. Finishes in the lecture hall and auditorium of the building, which have been damaged by water infiltration, will be repaired. The 1,000-seat LBJ Auditorium will be modified to allow for a better setting for smaller events. Additionally, a portion of the elevated plaza will be replaced with a garden and amphitheater honoring Lady Bird Johnson.

This project is required to repair the cause of serious water damage that is degrading exterior structural components and interior finishes. Several pieces of the exterior travertine cladding have fallen from the building because of water infiltration and a corroded support system. The drainage system is undersized and improperly designed, contributing to the water infiltration. The new Lady Bird Johnson Center and Amphitheater would eliminate part of the plaza that leaks and provide a more functional space between the LBJ Library and the LBJ School of Public Affairs. Federal funding will be provided in association with the LBJ Library, a federal facility.

This off-cycle project has been approved by U. T. System staff and meets the criteria for inclusion in the Capital Improvement Program.

5. U. T. Dallas: Approval of Ph.D. in Geospatial Information Sciences

RECOMMENDATION

The Chancellor concurs in the recommendation of the Executive Vice Chancellor for Academic Affairs and President Jenifer that authorization be granted to establish a Doctor of Philosophy (Ph.D.) in Geospatial Information Sciences at U. T. Dallas and to submit the proposal to the Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board for review and appropriate action. Upon approval by the Coordinating Board, the next appropriate catalog published at U. T. Dallas will be amended to reflect this action.

BACKGROUND INFORMATION

Program Description

Powerful new technologies have emerged in recent years to collect, store, manage, analyze, and utilize information regarding the features of the Earth's surface and to combine these with other types of social, economic, and environmental information. These technologies include geographic information systems, the global positioning

system, and satellite based remote sensing, and are utilized in many ways such as digital maps in rental and delivery vehicles; management and maintenance of city infrastructure, regional agriculture, and forest lands; policing of communities; and the conduct of modern warfare.

Program Quality

Twelve full-time tenured and tenure-track faculty from the School of Social Science, the Department of Geosciences, and the Department of Computer Science will form the core of the program. These faculty currently support the existing Master of Science in Geographic Information Sciences, as well as the Master of Science and Ph.D. degrees in Computer Science and Geosciences. In addition, two full-time tenure-track faculty will be added to support the proposed program. Part-time faculty are not currently used in the existing Master of Science in Geographic Information Sciences and are not projected for the proposed doctoral program. No graduate student assistants will be used to teach courses; however, graduate assistants will be required for computer support.

Program Cost

Estimated expenditures for the first five years of the proposed Ph.D. in Geospatial Information Sciences total \$640,435. This includes \$236,436 in new faculty salaries; \$180,564 for new graduate assistants; \$119,456 for new library and information technology resources; \$43,000 for supplies, materials, and equipment; \$32,606 for clerical support; and \$28,373 for new program administration costs.

U. T. Dallas will commit \$374,762 of existing resources from a combination of interest income and general, non-state institutional funds in addition to \$265,673 in formula funding to finance the first five years of the program.

6. U. T. Dallas: Authorization to purchase land and improvements located at 2200 Mockingbird Lane, Dallas, Dallas County, Texas

RECOMMENDATION

The Chancellor concurs in the recommendation of the Executive Vice Chancellor for Academic Affairs, the Interim Vice Chancellor for Business Affairs, and President Jenifer that authorization be granted by the U. T. Board of Regents, on behalf of U. T. Dallas, to:

- a. purchase the land and improvements located at 2200 Mockingbird Lane, Dallas, Dallas County, Texas;

- b. acknowledge the purchase price is less than the fair market value as determined by independent appraisals;
- c. submit a request to the Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board for approval of the transaction, if necessary; and
- d. authorize the Executive Director of Real Estate to execute all documents, instruments, and other agreements, and to take all further actions deemed necessary or advisable to carry out the purpose and intent of the foregoing recommendations.

BACKGROUND INFORMATION

U. T. Dallas wishes to acquire the subject property to expand operations and space for the Center for BrainHealth, which was established as a component of the teaching and research activities of the Callier Center for Communication Disorders in 1999. The Center has grown beyond the capacity of that facility, which cannot be expanded due to the constrained site. The property is in close proximity to the Imaging Center at U. T. Southwestern Medical Center - Dallas, facilitating access to users of the BrainHealth Center and promoting future development of collaborative research efforts of U. T. Dallas, U. T. Southwestern Medical Center - Dallas, and U. T. Arlington in the areas of cognitive neuroscience and imaging.

The property is being purchased from Forest Properties, L.P., for \$3.3 million. In the event that the closing occurs on or before July 1, 2004, the purchase price will be reduced by \$100,000. Mr. Joe M. Graham of Graham Investments, Inc., who represented the University, will receive a commission from the seller out of the proceeds from the sale. The seller may claim a tax deduction for a bargain sale to the University. The terms and conditions of this purchase are as reflected in the transaction summary below:

Transaction Summary

Component:	U. T. Dallas (Center for BrainHealth)
Type of Transaction:	Purchase
Property Address:	2200 Mockingbird Lane
Type of Property:	Office building, surface parking, and surplus land
Year Built:	1970
Site:	Approximately 3.546 acres

Improvements: 45,809 net leasable square feet

Parking: 134 spaces

Purchase Price: \$3.2 million if purchased by July 1, 2004
\$3.3 million if purchased after July 1, 2004

Price Per Rentable S.F.: \$72.50 before July 1, 2004
\$74.76 after July 1, 2004

Appraised Value: \$3.3 million by Mark Donoho, MAI, dated April 2004
\$3.9 million by Harry B. Hunsicker, MAI, dated April 2004

Broker: Mr. Joe Graham, Graham Investments, Inc., 3% by seller

Source of Funds: Private gifts

7. **U. T. Dallas: Authorization to amend the FY 2004-2009 Capital Improvement Program (CIP) and the FY 2004-2005 Capital Budget to reduce the total project cost for the Founders/Founders Annex/Berkner Renovation; approval to purchase real property located at 17919 Waterview Parkway, Dallas, Dallas and Collin Counties, Texas; and approval to add the renovation project and purchase to the CIP**

RECOMMENDATION

The Chancellor concurs in the recommendation of the Executive Vice Chancellor for Academic Affairs, the Interim Vice Chancellor for Business Affairs, and President Jenifer that authorization be granted by the U. T. Board of Regents, on behalf of U. T. Dallas, to:

- a. amend the FY 2004-2009 Capital Improvement Program (CIP) and the FY 2004-2005 Capital Budget to reduce the total project cost for the Founders/Founders Annex/Berkner Renovation at U. T. Dallas as follows:

	From	To
Permanent University Fund (PUF)		
Bond Proceeds	\$15,000,000	\$ 5,300,000
Tuition Revenue Bond Proceeds	<u>\$21,993,750</u>	<u>\$21,993,750</u>
	\$36,993,750	\$27,293,750

- b. approve the addition of the 17919 Waterview Parkway project to the CIP;

- c. approve the transfer of funds of \$9,700,000 from PUF Bond Proceeds for the purchase of the real property and the renovation project;
- d. purchase the real property and improvements located at 17919 Waterview Parkway, Dallas, Dallas and Collin Counties, Texas, at a total price of \$6,000,000 plus related closing costs;
- e. submit a request to the Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board for approval of the transaction; and
- f. authorize the Executive Director of Real Estate to execute all documents, instruments, and other agreements, and to take all further actions deemed necessary or advisable to carry out the purpose and intent of the foregoing recommendations.

BACKGROUND INFORMATION

U. T. Dallas wishes to acquire the land and facility directly across the street west of the campus, Waterview Parkway, to use for research space for the Schools of Natural Sciences, Mathematics, Engineering, and Computer Science. The property is being purchased from First Industrial Texas, L.P., for \$6,000,000. The proposed source of acquisition funding is a reallocation of PUF Bond Proceeds previously approved for the Founders/Founders Annex/Berkner Renovation project. U. T. Dallas plans to relocate most of the occupants from the Founders area into the 17919 Waterview Parkway facility and other campus areas. The project will be added to the CIP as a purchase and renovation project, with a breakdown of \$6,000,000 for the purchase, \$2,950,000 for renovations, and \$750,000 for equipment and furnishings. The furnishings and equipment that are installed, wired, and operational for immediate occupancy will be purchased separately for \$750,000, based on the total value determined by U. T. Dallas. Purchase and occupation of this building will allow for the needed fire and life safety improvements to the Founders, Founders Annex, and Berkner buildings.

The specific terms and conditions of this purchase are as reflected in the transaction summary below:

Transaction Summary

Component:	U. T. Dallas
Type of Transaction:	Purchase
Property Address:	17919 Waterview Parkway
Type of Property:	Two-story office/flex building

Seller: First Industrial Texas, L.P.

Contract Price: \$6 million (\$83.43 per square foot)

Appraised Value: \$5.7 million (Mark Donoho Co., February 17, 2004)
\$6 million (Land America Commercial Services, February 17, 2004)

Construction: Concrete, slab with concrete and steel bar joists and I-beam columns; brick, concrete, and tinted glass panels

Property Size: 4.885 acres (212,790 square feet)

Parking: 216 surface parking spaces

Flood Hazard: Outside of federally designated flood area

Equipment: Being purchased separately by U. T. Dallas

Description: Furnishings and equipment that are installed, wired, and operational

Contract Price: \$750,000

Valuation (UTD): \$750,000

8. U. T. Pan American: Child Development Center - Amendment of FY 2004-2009 Capital Improvement Program and the FY 2004-2005 Capital Budget to include project; appropriation of funds and authorization of expenditure; and authorization of institutional management

RECOMMENDATION

The Chancellor concurs in the recommendation of the Executive Vice Chancellor for Academic Affairs, the Interim Vice Chancellor for Business Affairs, and President Nevárez that the U. T. Board of Regents amend the FY 2004-2009 Capital Improvement Program and the FY 2004-2005 Capital Budget to include the Child Development Center project at U. T. Pan American.

Architecturally or Historically Significant:

(Note: Item is before the Board; see Item 1 on Page 67.)

Project Delivery Method:

Competitive Sealed Proposals

Substantial Completion Date:

June 2006

Total Project Cost:	<u>Source</u>	<u>Current</u>	<u>Proposed</u>
	Unexpended Plant Funds	-	\$1,594,000

- Additional Recommendations:**
- approve a preliminary project cost of \$1,594,000 with funding from Unexpended Plant Funds;
 - appropriate funds and authorize expenditure of \$1,594,000 from Unexpended Plant Funds; and
 - authorize U. T. Pan American to manage the total project budgets, appoint architects, approve facility programs, prepare final plans, and award contracts.

Project Description:

This facility will be constructed for approximately 140 children of students, faculty, and staff. The location will be adjacent to the existing Education Complex and will allow academic observation and facilitate applied research programs.

U. T. Pan American Facilities Management personnel have the experience and capability to manage all aspects of the work.

This off-cycle project has been approved by U. T. System staff and meets the criteria for inclusion in the Capital Improvement Program.

9. U. T. San Antonio: Approval to enter into a collaborative agreement with the City of San Antonio to expand the Downtown Campus through an exchange of three parcels of land and to engage in a long-range plan for the Institute of Texan Cultures; and authorization to acquire the leasehold interest in the improvements located at 301 South Frio Street, San Antonio, Bexar County, Texas

RECOMMENDATION

The Chancellor concurs in the recommendation of the Executive Vice Chancellor for Academic Affairs, the Interim Vice Chancellor for Business Affairs, and President Romo that authorization be granted by the U. T. Board of Regents, on behalf of U. T. San Antonio, to:

- finalize a formal resolution between the Board and the City of San Antonio to embody the points summarized in the transaction summary attached on Pages 52 - 53;
- exchange a 6.0027-acre tract out of the Institute of Texan Cultures campus, San Antonio, Bexar County, Texas, for two tracts of land located at 700 West Commerce Street and 301 South Frio Street in San Antonio, with each of the parties responsible for their respective expenses to complete the transactions;

- c. authorize the Executive Director of Real Estate to enter into an agreement to purchase the leasehold interest in the improvements located at 301 South Frio Street in San Antonio for a price not to exceed the fair market value as determined by independent appraisers;
- d. submit requests to the Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board for approval of the transactions, if necessary;
- e. authorize the Chancellor to execute a formal resolution that summarizes the collaborative agreement between the Board of Regents and the City of San Antonio as outlined on Pages 54 - 55; and
- f. authorize the Executive Director of Real Estate or the Interim Vice Chancellor for Business Affairs to execute all documents, instruments, and other agreements, and to take all further actions deemed necessary or advisable to carry out the purpose and intent of the foregoing recommendations.

BACKGROUND INFORMATION

The Executive Director of Real Estate has negotiated an agreement to expand the Downtown Campus of U. T. San Antonio by exchanging a surplus 6.0027-acre tract of land with facilities out of the campus of the Institute of Texan Cultures for two tracts of land across the street from the Downtown Campus. One of the tracts to be acquired on behalf of U. T. San Antonio is a parking lot with a vacant drive-thru bank facility; the other is improved with a 91,650 square foot office building and paved parking lot. The parking lot will be used for parking until funding is obtained to construct additional classrooms and offices. The existing office building will be converted to exclusive use by the University as quickly as the existing leases terminate. Funding for costs associated with the exchanges of land will be from Local Fund Balances, with funding for the purchase of the leasehold interest to be paid with Revenue Bond Proceeds.

Summary of Proposed Real Estate Transactions

Exchanges of real property

Board of Regents to City of San Antonio:

Land:	6.0027 acres out of the Institute of Texan Cultures campus in Hemisfair Park in San Antonio, Texas
Improvements:	3 vacant buildings (former exhibit space for Hemisfair)
Current use:	Parking, surplus storage, and open space
Appraised value:	\$2.09 million per Dugger, Canaday, Grafe, Inc. (March 24, 2004)

City of San Antonio to Board of Regents:

- Tract A: 2.077 acres at 700 West Commerce Street in San Antonio, Texas
 - Improvements: Paved parking lot with approximately 300 spaces and a vacant drive-thru bank facility
 - Current use: Public parking
 - Appraised value: \$1.72 million per Dugger, Canaday, Grafe, Inc. (February 11, 2004)

- Tract B: Leased fee interest in 5.297 acres of land at 301 South Frio Street in San Antonio, Texas
 - Improvements: Not part of this transaction (see below)
 - Current use: Leased for office building and paved parking lot
 - Appraised value: \$430,000 per Dugger, Canaday, Grafe, Inc. (January 13, 2004)

Counsel and Secretary's Note: The San Antonio City Council approved this land swap at its meeting on April 15, 2004.

Purchase of leasehold interest

- Location: 301 South Frio Street, San Antonio, Texas
- Improvements: 91,650 square foot office building with paved parking lot (approximately 300 spaces)
- Current use: Leased to San Antonio Business Technology Center, L.P., which in turn leases it to multiple subtenants. U. T. San Antonio currently leases 20,573 square feet of space in the building.
- Appraised value: \$7.3 million per Dugger, Canaday, Grafe, Inc. (January 8, 2004)

Outline of Proposed Collaboration Between U. T. San Antonio and the City of San Antonio for Expansion of the Downtown Campus

1. Acknowledgement of the mutual benefits to be realized by a collaborative approach to meeting the cultural, civic, and educational needs of the citizens of the City of San Antonio (City) and the State of Texas by insuring:
 - a. the orderly growth of the Downtown Campus of The University of Texas at San Antonio (UTSA) to fulfill its mission;
 - b. City's ability to implement its master plan for redevelopment of Hemisfair Park; and
 - c. accommodations for the orderly growth and revitalization of Hemisfair Park and the neighborhood surrounding UTSA's Downtown Campus for City.
2. The Board of Regents of The University of Texas System (BOR) and the City Council of San Antonio agree to the following:
 - a. City will transfer title to the tracts of land located at 700 West Commerce Street (2.077 acres) and 301 South Frio Street (5.297 acres) in San Antonio, Bexar County, to the BOR subject to the following conditions:
 - (1) The land is to be used for the construction and development of higher education facilities for educational programs for UTSA as may be within the mission or purposes, and as may be determined from time to time by the BOR, the Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board, or the Texas Legislature.
 - (2) Except for minor conveyances required for public thoroughfares and utility infrastructure, none of the land can be conveyed to a third party within a period of 20 years from the transfer.
 - b. BOR will convey title to a 6.0027-acre tract of land out of the campus of the Institute of Texan Cultures (ITC) adjacent to Hemisfair Park to City subject to the following:
 - (1) As long as the existing parking facilities on the site remain in place, approximately 150 parking spaces shall be made available to the visitors, employees, and volunteer workers of the ITC for programs in the ITC.

- (2) Accommodations will be made to conduct the Folk Life Festival and like programs of the ITC in the immediate vicinity of the exhibition hall.
- (3) UTSA will provide reasonable public access to the tract from Durango Street.
- c. City and UTSA will work together to plan for the long-term future of the ITC and the site upon which it is located (approximately 14.69 acres).
- d. City and UTSA will work together to develop a plan for revitalization of the area surrounding the Downtown Campus and expansion of the campus as required to fulfill its mission for the next 50 years.

10. **U. T. San Antonio: Authorization to establish a Master of Social Work degree**

RECOMMENDATION

The Chancellor concurs in the recommendation of the Executive Vice Chancellor for Academic Affairs and President Romo that authorization be granted to establish a Master of Social Work (MSW) degree program at U. T. San Antonio; to submit the proposal to the Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board for review and appropriate action; and to authorize the Executive Vice Chancellor for Academic Affairs to certify on behalf of the Board of Regents that relevant Coordinating Board criteria for approval by the Commissioner of Higher Education have been met.

Upon approval by the Coordinating Board, the next appropriate catalog published at U. T. San Antonio will be amended to reflect this action.

BACKGROUND INFORMATION

Program Description

The proposed program will be offered by the Department of Social Work in the College of Public Policy. The program is designed to prepare students for advanced placement in social service agencies as direct service providers or in administrative or community building capacities. In addition, this program will prepare students to effectively address the pressing needs of linguistically and culturally diverse populations in San Antonio and the surrounding region within an interdisciplinary and interprofessional practice context.

Consistent with the Council on Social Work Education's (CSWE) accreditation standards, the program requires 36 semester credit hours of coursework beyond the bachelor's degree for students who have earned the Bachelor of Social Work (BSW) degree from an accredited college/university and 60 semester credit hours of coursework beyond the bachelor's degree for students who have not earned the BSW degree. Students would be able to specialize in one of two areas: Direct Practice, which focuses on delivering individual, family, and group services through an agency; and Macro Practices, which focuses on supervision/management, policy practice, and community building.

Program Quality

The Chair of the newly-formed Department of Social Work began his appointment in Fall 2003. Six full-time equivalent (FTE) faculty members must be assigned to the delivery of the proposed MSW program for the program to be eligible to receive CSWE accreditation. A minimum of two additional full-time Social Work faculty members are expected to be hired to begin in the 2004-2005 academic year, with three additional full-time Social Work faculty members expected to be hired to begin their appointments by Fall 2005. Two additional full-time faculty members will be hired by year five. The eight FTE members of the Social Work faculty will form the core of the program. Five additional tenured or tenure-track faculty members from other departments will contribute to the program's delivery.

The Department of Social Work is located in the College of Public Policy that is housed in the newly constructed Durango Building at the U. T. San Antonio Downtown Campus. The College has assigned a full office suite to the Department of Social Work, and sufficient space is available for office and classroom needs. The Downtown Campus offers adequate computing facilities and audiovisual resources to meet the anticipated needs of the program. No new facilities or renovations of existing facilities are required.

Cost

Estimated expenditures for the first five years of the proposed Master of Social Work program total \$2,691,700. This includes \$1,779,000 in new faculty salaries; \$375,000 for program administration; \$52,500 for new graduate assistants; \$192,200 for new library and information technology resources; \$68,000 for supplies, materials, and equipment; and \$225,000 for clerical support.

U. T. San Antonio will commit \$1,040,700 of existing resources in addition to \$1,651,000 in formula funding to finance the first five years of the program.

11. U. T. San Antonio: Recreation and Athletics Facilities - Amendment of FY 2004-2009 Capital Improvement Program and the FY 2004-2005 Capital Budget to include project

RECOMMENDATION

The Chancellor concurs in the recommendation of the Executive Vice Chancellor for Academic Affairs, the Interim Vice Chancellor for Business Affairs, and President Romo that the U. T. Board of Regents amend the FY 2004-2009 Capital Improvement Program and the FY 2004-2005 Capital Budget to include the Recreation and Athletics Facilities project at U. T. San Antonio.

Architecturally or Historically Significant:

(Note: Item is before the Board; see Item 1 on Page 67.)

Project Delivery Method:

Competitive Sealed Proposals

Substantial Completion Date:

July 2007

Total Project Cost:

<u>Source</u>	<u>Current</u>	<u>Proposed</u>
Revenue Financing System Bond Proceeds	-	\$12,000,000
Gifts		\$ 3,000,000
Unexpended Plant Funds		\$ 1,500,000
Grants		<u>\$ 1,500,000</u>
		\$18,000,000

Project Description:

This project proposes upgrades and additions to the recreation and athletics facilities at U. T. San Antonio to include a new track and soccer stadium, baseball and softball field improvements, and additional recreation and sports fields. The debt for the Revenue Financing System Bond Proceeds will be repaid from student fees.

This off-cycle project has been approved by U. T. System staff and meets the criteria for inclusion in the Capital Improvement Program.

ADDITIONAL AGENDA ITEM
ACADEMIC AFFAIRS COMMITTEE
MAY 12, 2004

12. U. T. El Paso: Authorization to accept invitation from Conference USA and to negotiate and finalize terms of athletic conference membership

RECOMMENDATION

The Chancellor concurs in the recommendation of the Executive Vice Chancellor for Academic Affairs and President Natalicio that authorization be granted to U. T. El Paso to accept an invitation from Conference USA (C-USA) to become a member in 2005 and that Chancellor Yudof and President Natalicio be authorized to negotiate and finalize terms and conditions for such membership.

BACKGROUND INFORMATION

U. T. El Paso joined the Western Athletic Conference (WAC) in 1967, one year after winning the National Collegiate Athletic Association (NCAA) Championship in men's basketball, and one year after changing its name from Texas Western College to The University of Texas at El Paso.

U. T. El Paso's 37-year tenure as a WAC member has offered many benefits, including enduring relationships with fellow WAC institutions during the first 25 years of its membership. During the past decade, however, the WAC experienced considerable instability, growing from eight member institutions to 16, including four former Southwest Conference institutions (Rice University, Southern Methodist University, Texas Christian University, and the University of Tulsa) as well as California State University, Fresno; San Jose State University; and the University of Nevada at Las Vegas in 1996. In 1999, the WAC returned to an eight-member configuration, when the Mountain West Conference was established by former WAC institutions Brigham Young University; University of Utah; Colorado State University; the University of Wyoming; Air Force Academy; the University of New Mexico; University of Nevada at Las Vegas; and San Diego State University. This instability was exacerbated in 2003, when Rice University, Southern Methodist University, and the University of Tulsa announced they would leave the WAC in 2005 to become members of C-USA.

The pending departure of these three "eastern" members of the WAC was particularly disturbing to U. T. El Paso, because their participation had enabled U. T. El Paso to compete regularly in Texas, especially in the Dallas and Houston areas, where there are large concentrations of U. T. El Paso alumni.

As conference alignments continue to shift, C-USA provides a stable home for U. T. El Paso's 16 athletic teams and significantly enhances the University's potential for additional postseason play and for increased revenue streams for its athletics programs. C-USA has an eight-year agreement (initiated in 2001) with ESPN that incorporates television coverage by ESPN, ESPN2, ESPN Regional Television, ABC Sports, ESPN.com, and ESPN Classic. In addition, the conference has tie-ins with five football bowl games.

By playing in the Central, Mountain and Eastern time zones as part of C-USA, U. T. El Paso will gain more exposure where large segments of the University's recruiting and alumni base reside. Beyond the substantial advantages for alumni membership and recruiting, U. T. El Paso will also benefit from increased exposure in Texas newspapers.

U. T. El Paso's Miners will be grouped in C-USA's Western Division with the University of Houston, Rice University, Southern Methodist University, Tulane University, and the University of Tulsa. The conference sponsors 19 sports and since its inception has fielded 34 NCAA Tournament teams in men's basketball, 34 NCAA Tournament teams in women's basketball, 22 bowl teams in football, and 23 NCAA Tournament teams in volleyball. In addition, 27 men's and women's soccer teams and softball teams have earned NCAA Tournament bids.