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1. **U. T. Pan American: Overview of the Institution**

President Cárdenas will discuss transformative activities at U. T. Pan American during the last three years and outline projections for the future.

**Supplemental Materials: PowerPoint presentation on Pages 291 - 301 of Volume 2.**

2. **U. T. System: National developments in accountability and accreditation**

REPORT

Dr. Geri H. Malandra, Vice Chancellor for Strategic Management, will provide a brief report on recent national developments in accountability and accreditation and the U. T. System's leadership and success in developing a robust framework to assess student outcomes. These developments include the focus on documenting student outcomes in a new, national "voluntary system of accountability" in which all U. T. System academic institutions will participate and the success that U. T. System institutions are experiencing in regional accreditation reviews by the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools.

**Supplemental Materials: Report on Pages 302 - 305 of Volume 2.**

3. **U. T. System: Report on the National Survey of Student Engagement (NSSE)**

Dr. Edward Baldwin, Research and Policy Analyst in the Office of Academic Affairs, will report on the results of the 2007 National Survey of Student Engagement (NSSE) and uses of the survey on campuses.

REPORT

Begun in 1998, the National Survey of Student Engagement (NSSE) is a survey instrument, administered to a random sample of first year and senior year students. U. T. System academic institutions have participated in the last seven surveys. The survey solicits information on all aspects of the college experience from time spent preparing for class to relationships with faculty members, administrators, and fellow students to the kinds of "mental activities" emphasized in course work. NSSE participant schools closely resemble the national profile of four-year colleges and universities in all areas. The survey has received national attention and some call for it to be made public (*US News & World Report*, U.S. Department of Education).

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