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SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 18, 1982.--On Saturday, September 18, 1982, at 3:10 p.m., the Board of Regents of The University of Texas System convened in the Reference Library on the Eighth Floor of the Lyndon B. Johnson Library, 2313 Red River Street, Austin, Texas, with the following in attendance:

ATTENDANCE.--

Present

Chairman Powell, presiding
 Vice-Chairman Fly
 Vice-Chairman Rhodes
 Regent (Mrs.) Blumberg
 Regent (Mrs.) Briscoe
 Regent Hay
 Regent (Mrs.) Milburn
 Regent Newton
 Regent Richards

Absent

Executive Secretary Dilly

Chancellor Walker
 Executive Vice Chancellor Jordan
 Executive Vice Chancellor Mullins

Chairman Powell announced a quorum present and called the special meeting of the Board to order.

U. T. BOARD OF REGENTS: REPORT OF CITIZENS ADVISORY COMMITTEE ON HIGHER EDUCATION IN THE PERMIAN BASIN.--Chairman Powell announced that for several months the Citizens Advisory Committee to the Board of Regents on Higher Education in the Permian Basin has been meeting to develop recommendations to assist the Board in its deliberations regarding the future of The University of Texas of the Permian Basin. He then called on Mr. R. F. Herndon, Jr., Chairman of the Citizens Advisory Committee, who submitted the following statement:

"It has been my privilege over the last several months to serve as Chairman of your Citizens Advisory Committee on The University of Texas of the Permian Basin.

"I want to assure you, Mr. Powell, that you and your fellow Regents chose well when you appointed the members of this committee. Jointly, they comprise equal representation from Midland, Odessa, and a grouping of the other principal cities of the Permian Basin. Individually, they are distinguished West Texans from business, industry, public service and education. All are vitally interested in the future of the Permian Basin area, and all are thus concerned that, by some efficient means, the area have the higher education resources that are so necessary for sound economic and cultural growth in our region.

"We have met over the past several months and pondered the best future course for U.T. Permian Basin. In the long haul, most of us believe that four-year status for the institution would be a tremendous boon for our region. But we also believe that the time for that change may not have come.

"All of that is by way of introduction. I now come, Mr. Chairman, to the specific recommendations of your Citizens Advisory Committee.

"First, we recommend that the Board of Regents bend every effort to accommodate the crying need for a comprehensive system of higher education in the Permian Basin. By a "comprehensive system" we mean community colleges plus a university offering an appropriate range of bachelor's and master's degrees.

"Second, we recommend that the Board of Regents and the Coordinating Board be particularly sensitive to the pressing need in the Permian Basin for strong bachelor's and master's offerings in the applied sciences and engineering (including especially Chemistry, Geology, Computer Science and Petroleum Engineering) and in Teacher Education and Business.

"Third, we recommend the development of a plan or process which would allow U.T. Permian Basin's administrative leadership to meet the higher education needs of the area in cooperation with area community colleges and independent school districts. The committee suggests that some type of academic plan be developed in the Permian Basin region which would provide for the following cooperative activities among U.T. Permian Basin and the area community colleges: joint student recruitment in the high schools; jointly planned and implemented academic programs; sharing of facilities as may be appropriate; and joint staffing and faculty recruitment where such activity can mutually strengthen both types of institutions. Such a plan would increase the number and types of academic offerings available in the Permian Basin area, through the use of existing resources. It is hoped that such a cooperative plan could become effective by the Fall Semester, 1983, and that during this academic year representatives of all the educational sectors within the Permian Basin region can work together toward that goal.

" Fourth, the Citizens Advisory Committee recommends that a Citizens' Committee be formed, comprised of representatives from the Permian Basin community, which will advise the U.T. Board of Regents on issues related to the above mentioned cooperative endeavors.

" Fifth, it is recommended that a committee be formed, comprised of representatives of the community colleges, the independent school districts, U.T. Permian Basin, and the U.T. System Administration, to make specific recommendations for the development and implementation of the cooperative academic plan that I outlined a moment ago.

" The Citizens Advisory Committee representing our region has expressed great enthusiasm for what we are proposing. This is obviously a new way of looking at higher education in the Permian Basin and all of us have a lot to learn. If the plan we develop misses the mark in some way I am sure we will be back asking you to pursue full four-year status for UTPB. Let me again say, however, that we are most enthusiastic about the recommendations we are presenting today.

" In summary, let me note that quality education through the master's level is a necessity in the Permian Basin region. We have grown to be a significant metropolitan area in the State of Texas, and we must have such educational resources. The University of Texas of the Permian Basin, working with the area community colleges, can be a powerful force toward insuring the future of the Permian Basin. "

Following his statement, Mr. Herndon introduced Mr. Aubrey Barlow and Mr. Tryon Lewis who were representing the Friends of U.T.P.B. Chairman Powell welcomed Mr. Barlow and Mr. Lewis to the meeting and reminded the Board that the Friends of U.T.P.B. would make a presentation to both the Academic Affairs Committee and the entire Board at the October meeting.

On behalf of the U. T. Board of Regents, Chairman Powell expressed appreciation to Mr. Herndon and the Citizens Advisory Committee for their wise counsel and advice and referred the report of that committee to the Academic Affairs Committee so that further detailed recommendations may be forthcoming at the October meeting of the Board.

U. T. PERMIAN BASIN: APPOINTMENT OF ADVISORY COMMITTEE FOR THE SELECTION OF A CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER (PRESIDENT).--Chairman Powell noted the recent resignation of Dr. V. R. Cardozier as President of The University of Texas of the Permian Basin and in accordance with Section 16 of Chapter II of Part One of the Regents' Rules and Regulations announced the appointment of the following members of the Advisory Committee for the Selection of a Chief Administrative Officer (President) of The University of Texas of the Permian Basin:

System Administration Representatives

Executive Vice Chancellor Bryce Jordan (Chairman)
Chancellor E. D. Walker

Board of Regents

Regent Janey Briscoe
Regent Beryl Buckley Milburn
Regent Jon P. Newton

Chief Administrative Officers

Dr. George Hamm, President, The University of Texas at Tyler
Dr. Haskell Monroe, President, The University of Texas at El Paso
Dr. Robert H. Rutford, President, The University of Texas at Dallas


Permian Basin Geographical Representatives

Mr. Steve Late of Odessa, Texas
Mr. Johnnie Warren of Midland, Texas

These appointees will be joined by the President of the Ex-Students' Association and a dean, five faculty members and two students all of whom are in the process of being selected by the appropriate campus procedures. When this is completed, the full membership of the Advisory Committee will be reported for the record.

RECESS FOR EXECUTIVE SESSION.--At 3:25 p.m., Chairman Powell announced that the Board would recess for an Executive Session pursuant to Vernon's Texas Civil Statutes, Article 6252-17, to consider an item related to pending litigation.

RECONVENE.--At 5:00 p.m., the Board reconvened in open session and immediately thereafter adjourned.


Arthur H. Dilly
Executive Secretary

September 22, 1982