



REPORT TO THE BOARD OF REGENTS

March 9, 2015
Meeting 295

**STEPHEN F. AUSTIN
STATE UNIVERSITY**

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Appendix 1 – Guidelines for the Henry M. Rockwell Chair in Forestry

**Stephen F. Austin State University
Board of Regents
Special Telephone Meeting 295
Monday, March 9, 2015
1:00 P.M.**

Board of Regents Committee of the Whole Call to Order in Open Session	Scott Coleman Board Chair
Roll call of board members	Scott Coleman Board Chair
Introduction of those present in boardroom	Baker Pattillo President
Recess to Executive Session	Scott Coleman Board Chair
<p>Board Consideration of the following items:</p> <p>Consideration of Individual Personnel Matters Relating to Appointment, Employment, Evaluation, Assignment, Duties, Discipline, or Dismissal of an Officer or Employee, including but not limited to the dean of the Nelson Rusche College of Business, dean of the Arthur Temple College of Forestry and Agriculture, vice presidents and the president. (Texas Government Code, Section 551.074)</p>	

Reconvene in Open Session

Scott Coleman
Board Chair

Presentation and Board Action on Agenda Item 1:

GUIDELINES FOR THE HENRY M. ROCKWELL CHAIR
IN FORESTRY

Explanation:

At the October 7, 1989 meeting of the Board of Regents, the board established the Henry M. Rockwell Chair in Forestry. Also at this meeting the board approved a set of guidelines detailing authorized uses for the Rockwell Chair Fund, the qualifications and conditions of the Rockwell Chair, and the expected activities of the Rockwell Professor. Over the past few years the university has allowed the principal of the account to grow but now wishes to once again designate an individual as the Henry M. Rockwell Chair in Forestry. Prior to doing so it is necessary to update the guidelines established in 1989.

Recommendation:

The administration recommends the Board of Regents approve the modifications to the Guidelines for the Henry M. Rockwell Chair in Forestry as shown in Appendix 1.

Baker Pattillo
President

Damon Derrick
General Counsel

Presentation and Board Action on Agenda Item 2:

DESIGNATION OF THE HENRY M. ROCKWELL CHAIR
IN FORESTRY

Explanation:

At the October 7, 1989 meeting of the Board of Regents, the Henry M. Rockwell Chair in Forestry was established. The qualifications and conditions of the Henry M. Rockwell Chair are contained in Appendix 1.

Recommendation:

The administration recommends that Dr. Steve Bullard be appointed as the Henry M. Rockwell Chair in Forestry, effective immediately, to be concurrent with any other position held by Dr. Bullard.

Baker Pattillo
President

Presentation and Board Action on Agenda Item 3:

MCGEE BUILDING RENOVATION PROJECT BUDGET INCREASE

Explanation:

At the July 29, 2014 board meeting the regents approved the renovation of the McGee Building's public and common areas on floors one and two with a project budget of \$530,000. The project was advertised to receive a fixed price contract. Bid proposals were received and the low base bid was \$685,000. In order to proceed with the current scope and design of the project, an increase in the project budget will be needed.

Recommendation:

The administration recommends that the board approve an increase of \$200,000 to the McGee Building's renovation project budget bringing the total cost of the project not to exceed \$730,000. The administration further recommends the higher education fund as the source for the project budget increase.

Danny Gallant
Vice President for Finance
and Administration

Adjourn Board of Regents Meeting
(Scheduled for approximately 2:00 p.m.)

Scott Coleman
Chair

Guidelines for the Henry M. Rockwell Chair in Forestry

I. Uses of the Rockwell Chair Fund

The University will establish the Henry M. Rockwell Chair in Forestry, dedicating the income of an original endowment of at least \$1,000,000 from the Henry M. Rockwell Trust for its operation. The Rockwell Chair Fund may be used for the following purposes:

1. salary or salary supplementation above a regular ~~faculty~~—salary paid from appropriated or research funds to the holder of the Rockwell Chair;
 2. stipends for research associates or graduate assistants;
 3. in support of research activities, including travel, equipment, publications and personnel services;
 4. in support of seminars and short courses on forestry;
 5. guest lectures; *and*
- ~~5.6.~~ *other purposes recommended by the Rockwell Chair following approval by the president of the University.*

II. Qualifications and Conditions of the Rockwell Chair

The University will ~~seek~~ *appoint* the highest qualified individual possible ~~for appointment~~ to the Henry M. Rockwell Chair in Forestry. The individual appointed to the Rockwell Chair will:

1. ~~be a regular member of the faculty of the University and shall enjoy all the rights and responsibilities of regular faculty membership~~ *qualified to hold a faculty position in the Arthur Temple College of Forestry and Agriculture;*
2. have superior professional and academic credentials and stature which are recognized nationally and internationally *in a discipline within the Arthur Temple College of Forestry and Agriculture;*
3. devote a reasonable portion of his/her time to teaching; *and*
4. have the ability and experience to work in consonance with the business, professional and governmental leaders of the state and nation;
5. ~~have a reasonable period remaining in his/her professional career at the time of appointment.~~

III. Activities of the Rockwell ~~Professor~~ *Chair*

The holder of the Rockwell Chair in Forestry will be expected to support studies in any and all aspects of forest production, use and management that bear on the creation and maintenance of healthy forests. He/she will be expected to carry out the purposes of the creation of the Rockwell Chair in a fair, impartial, factual and reliable manner, contributing to the maximum beneficial use of the forests for all of the citizens of Texas and reflecting exemplary credit upon both the University and the Rockwell Fund, Inc. In so doing the holder of the Chair will gain stature as a non-partisan, objective spokesman who produces data *and findings* that may be safely relied upon by persons in all walks of life. He/she will constantly strive to enhance the credibility and need for professional expertise in the long-term management of forest resources and will contribute to the excellence in research and teaching in the ~~School~~ Arthur Temple College of Forestry and Agriculture and the University. The holder of the Rockwell Chair will direct his/her activities toward any or all of the following goals or objectives:

1. the creation of a focal point for in-depth research and the accumulation of data *and findings* necessary for the making of recommendations relating to all aspects of forestry and the various forces impacting the forests and the use of forest products;
2. studies in such areas as international forestry, environmental education, production and consumption of timber products, multiple use of the forests, and the use of the forests for hunting, fishing and other recreational activities;
3. studies on the basic biology and ecology of forest systems; *and/or*
4. to make reliable recommendations to public and private entities regarding the development and use of forests and forest products.