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Appendix 1: Guidelines for the Henry M. Rockwell Chair in Forestry
A special telephone meeting of the SFA Board of Regents was called to order on Monday, March 9, 2015, at 1:10 p.m. by Chair Scott Coleman.

PRESENT BY TELEPHONE:

Board Members:  David Alders  
                 Scott Coleman  
                 Bob Garrett  
                 Brigettee Henderson  
                 Barry Nelson  
                 Ken Schaefer  
                 Ralph Todd  
                 Connie Ware

PRESENT IN ROOM 307:

Board Member:  Steve McCarty

President:  Dr. Baker Pattillo

Vice-Presidents:  Dr. Richard Berry  
                  Mr. Danny Gallant  
                  Ms. Jill Still  
                  Dr. Steve Westbrook

General Counsel  Mr. Damon Derrick

Other SFA administrators, staff, and visitors

Student member Kelsey Brown was unavailable for the meeting.

The chair called for an executive session to consider the following:

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
The executive session ended at 1:25 p.m. and the board reconvened in open session.

**Board Order 15-19**
Upon motion by Regent Alders, seconded by Regent Schaefer, with all members voting aye, the following item was approved.

**GUIDELINES FOR THE HENRY M. ROCKWELL CHAIR IN FORESTRY**

WHEREAS, the board members considered the following: 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.

THEREFORE, it was ordered that the modifications to the Guidelines for the Henry M. Rockwell Chair in Forestry were approved as shown in Appendix 1.

**Board Order 15-20**
Upon motion by Regent Schaefer, seconded by Regent McCarty, with all members voting aye, the following item was approved.

**DESIGNATION OF THE HENRY M. ROCKWELL CHAIR IN FORESTRY**

WHEREAS, the board members considered the following: 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.

THEREFORE, it was ordered 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.

**Board Order 15-21**
Upon motion by Regent McCarty, seconded by Regent Schaefer, with all members voting aye, the following item was approved.

**MCGEE BUILDING RENOVATION PROJECT BUDGET INCREASE**

WHEREAS, the board members considered the following: 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.

THEREFORE, it was ordered that the McGee Building’s renovation project budget be increased by $200,000, bringing the total cost of the project not to exceed $730,000. The higher education fund will be the source for the project budget increase.

The board meeting was adjourned at 1:35 p.m.
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 of 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.