

REPORT AND RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE ACADEMIC AFFAIRS COMMITTEE (Pages 131 - 140).--Committee Chairman Krier reported that the Academic Affairs Committee met in open session to consider those matters on its agenda and to formulate recommendations for The University of Texas System Board of Regents. Unless otherwise indicated, the actions set forth in the Minute Orders that follow were recommended by the Academic Affairs Committee and approved in open session by the U. T. System Board of Regents.

1. U. T. System: Brief updates by academic presidents and discussion by Interim Executive Vice Chancellor Malandra and Academic Affairs Committee members about initiatives to align programs with K-12 education and to graduate more K-12 teachers (Deferred)

This item was for consideration only by the Committee but was deferred due to time constraints.

2. U. T. Dallas: Approval of revisions to Mission Statement

The Board approved revisions to The University of Texas at Dallas Mission Statement as set forth below and authorized submission to the Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board for approval.

### **Mission Statement**

The University of Texas at Dallas serves the Metroplex and the State of Texas as a global leader in innovative, high quality sciences, engineering, and business education and research.

The University is committed to (1) producing engaged graduates, prepared for life, work, and leadership in a constantly changing world, (2) advancing excellent educational and research programs in the natural and social sciences, engineering and technology, management, and the liberal, creative, and practical arts, and (3) transforming ideas into actions that directly benefit the personal, economic, social, and cultural lives of the citizens of Texas.

3. U. T. Pan American: Authorization to establish a Ph.D. degree program in Rehabilitation Counseling

Pursuant to the Regents' *Rules and Regulations*, Series 40307, the Board granted authorization to

- a. establish a Ph.D. degree program in Rehabilitation Counseling within the Department of Rehabilitation at The University of Texas - Pan American; and