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# Coordinating Board

## TEXAS COLLEGE AND UNIVERSITY SYSTEM

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### MEMORANDUM

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TO:            The President Addressed

FROM:        Bevington Reed, Commissioner *BR*

SUBJECT:     Guidelines and Procedures for Coordinating Board  
              Responsibilities for Facilities Construction  
              as Authorized Under S.B. 706, 64th Legislature

As you are aware, the development of criteria, guidelines and procedures for new Coordinating Board responsibilities in approving construction projects at Texas colleges and universities has been a major concern to the Board.

A special advisory committee of institutional representatives and laymen knowledgeable in construction planning was named to work with the staff to develop facility approval guidelines.

This select committee appointed by the Board to develop guidelines relating to the approval of facilities construction submitted its report to the Coordinating Board meeting on September 12 in Corpus Christi. The Board received with appreciation the report of the Advisory Committee and directed the staff to appoint new rules and regulations encompassing the following four recommendations found in the report:

- 1) Conformity with role and scope of the institution would be prerequisite to Coordinating Board approval of new construction or major repair and rehabilitation projects;
- 2) Consideration of new construction or major repair and rehabilitation projects should be based upon a comprehensive and current institutional campus master plan;

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- 3) Consideration of requests for new construction and major repair and rehabilitation projects should include an evaluation of effective use of space in the proposed facility, an assessment of current institutional space availability, effectiveness of utilization of existing space, and relative need for additional space;
- 4) Each institution should file a "Certificate of Compliance" with the Coordinating Board prior to final project approval to assure that each proposed project meets standards of accessibility for the handicapped in accordance with Chapter 324, Acts of the 61st Legislature, Regular Session, 1969, as amended (Article 678(g) Vernon's Texas Civil Statutes).

The Board deferred consideration of a recommendation that consideration of new construction and repair and rehabilitation projects should include certain financial aspects and implications of the proposed project. The Board directed the staff to seek an opinion from the Attorney General defining the authority and/or obligation of the Board regarding regulation of expenditure of funds in dealing with the construction of facilities. The request has been made.

I would also welcome any comments you may have regarding the Board's endorsement of the four recommendations.