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Antecedent and related institutions

The Graduate Research Center of the Southwest, chartered 14 February, 1961.

(Including the Southwest Center for Advanced Studies as an academic and research arm and The Institute for Graduate Education and Research (TIGER) as a liaison body to seek co-operations with other institutions).

The Southwest Center for Advanced Studies, 1 January 1967 to 1 September, 1969.

(A charter name change, attempting to eliminate confusion of the multiple-named organizations in media and public mind; continuing the activities of the GRCSW)

The University of Texas at Dallas, created ^{at the campus, by then-Gov. Preston Smith} by HB303 of the 1969 Texas Legislature, the bill signed into law 13 June, 1969, with effective date of 1 September 1969; a gift of properties to the state, placed in The University of Texas System as an upper-level university, the law specifying that graduate programs only could be conducted until 1 September, 1975, and that junior and senior programs only could be added on and after that date.

Related

Center,

The Graduate Research/ Inc., 1960-1965. A function of Southern Methodist University, to advance graduate education in the region. J. Erik Jonsson, President; Lloyd V. Berkner, Acting Director; Cecil H. Green and Eugene McDermott among Board members.

The Callier Center for Communication Disorders, 1967-1975. Preliminary studies beginning in 1962 led to multidisciplinary balancing of research, service and academic training directed by Aram Glorig, M.D., and the building of properties to serve those functions at 1966 Inwood Road, Dallas. The original name, upon chartering in 1964, was Callier Hearing and Speech Center.

Texas Research Foundation, 11 April, 1946 to 1 September 1972. A center for blacklands crop research and botanical studies, founded as Southern Methodist University Institute of Technology and Plant Industry 8 February 1944, with Cyrus Longworth Lundell as Director; reorganized on an independent basis with support of Karl Hoblitzelle and the Hoblitzelle Foundation 11 April 1946, and relocated in the village of Renner. Independent operation continued until 1 September 1972. See References, Wrightia.

The Association for Higher Education and Research (TAGER) of North Texas, 8 August 1965 to present (name changed to Association for Higher Education of North Texas, 1 September 1980). Founded by Southern Methodist University, Texas Christian University, and The Graduate Research Center of the Southwest, with major financial support of Cecil H. Green. Other participating institutions: Austin College (Sherman, Texas), Bishop College (Dallas), Texas Wesleyan College (Fort Worth), and the University of Dallas. The University of Texas at Arlington and The University of Texas Health Science Center at Dallas later became members. The Interuniversity Council (IUC), at first operating at The University of Texas at Arlington, was incorporated with TAGER.

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Related Institutions (CONT)

TAGER (CONT). Purpose of the organization was to effect interchange of classroom teaching and library materials by closed-circuit "talk back" television (that system beginning operation 5 September 1967). Expansion was also made into industrial classrooms, at graduate level, and later linkages made to independent school districts. and courier service. ^

Southwestern Legal Foundation, circa 1 April 1947 to present. Founded at Southern Methodist University, with purpose of legal research and sponsorship of international institutes, seminars and continuing education courses.

Brief narrative, to link above-named institutions

J. Erik Jonsson, Cecil H. Green and Eugene McDermott, who had developed Texas Instruments Incorporated on the base of the antecedent and continuing Geophysical Services, Inc., were concerned by the lack of graduate education facilities and programs in Dallas, Fort Worth and the Southwest region. They, with other civic leaders, joined in Southern Methodist University's Graduate Research Center, Inc., with basic intent to fund an expansion of graduate activities, on a co-operative basis with existing universities. forming ^

Lloyd V. Berkner, who was President of Associated Universities, Inc., operating group of the Brookhaven National Laboratory, and a Director of Texas Instruments, convinced the three that the program should be broadened on a regional basis; Berkner became President of The Graduate Research Center of the Southwest in December, 1960, at their invitation. (Formally took office at charter date, 14 February 1961).

Following a study of higher education needs in Texas, initiated by then-Gov. John Connally in the mid-1960's, a Coordinating Board, Texas College and University Systems, was created. The board, during the Commissionership of Jack K. Williams, made master plan recommendations including establishment of an upper-level university in Dallas. Williams (dec. 28 September 1981) later served as President of Texas A&M University and Chancellor of the TAMU System.

A gift of the then-Southwest Center for Advanced Studies was conveyed by the three founders and their associates, through a legislative enabling act, to The University of Texas System, effective 1 September, 1969, and The University of Texas at Dallas became a component of the System. (HB303, 61ST LEGISLATURE) on upper-level

The Callier Center for Communication Disorders, to which the founders had also lent support, was given, in turn, to The University of Texas at Dallas, 25 August 1975, to become a part of the School of Human Development.

Previously, the Texas Research Foundation, dissolving 1 September 1972, had divided its land between The University of Texas at Dallas and Texas A&M University, UT-Dallas adding 275 acres to the original founding gift of 325 acres in its campus. Cyrus Longworth Lundell's botanical collections were moved to The University of Texas at Dallas, and he became Professor of Botany. Texas A&M University continues agricultural research to present.

The Association for Graduate Education and Research/Association for Higher Education sited its television control station and offices on the SCAS campus in 1967, and continued at the same site on the UT-Dallas campus to present.

The Southwestern Legal Foundation removed its offices from Southern Methodist

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University in the summer of 1974, after UT System Regents approved the tenancy on 1 February 1974, and continues to present.

In addition to the named institutions, the Excellence in Education Foundation was created vice The Southwest Center for Advanced Studies, continuing in support of The University of Texas at Dallas and Callier Center for Communication Disorders through a 500-acre land endowment.

In September, 1981, Dresser Industries, Inc., began construction of its national computer center on the university campus, following a 9.6 acre purchase.

Names and dates in office of Presidents (GRCSW/SCAS/UTD)

Lloyd V. Berkner, from GRCSW charter date, 14 February 1961 to 17 March 1965. (Dec. 4 June 1967). Eminent geophysicist, member of Byrd expeditions to Antarctic, head of electronics development, U. S. Navy, World War II (retired as Rear Admiral, USNR); founder of International Geophysical Year, author with Lauriston C. Marshall of evolution theory concerning oxygen in Earth's atmosphere; President, Institute of Radio Engineers; consultant on science to congressional committees, Department of State. At death, Treasurer of National Academy of Sciences.

Gifford K. Johnson, 17 March 1965 to 1 July 1969. Industrial leader, President Lang-Temco-Vought, served on Connally study committee for higher education. (President, Southwest Center for Advanced Studies).

Francis S. Johnson, 1 July 1969 to 1 September 1969 as SCAS President, continuing through 1 July 1971 as ad interim President of The University of Texas at Dallas. Eminent space scientist, consultant to congressional committees, Space Science Board, NASA. Since 1979, on leave to serve as Assistant Director, Astronomical, Atmospheric, Earth and Space Sciences, National Science Foundation, to present.

Bryce Jordan, 1 July 1971 to 1 September 1981. Eminent musicologist, coming from ad interim presidency of The University of Texas at Austin to President, The University of Texas at Dallas, and serving through major development and construction of the university. Since 1 September 1981, Executive Vice Chancellor for Academic Affairs, The University of Texas System, Austin, Texas, to present.

Alexander L. Clark, acting president from 1 September 1981; formerly Vice President for Academic Affairs.

Robert H. Rufford, president from 17 May 1982, from vice-chancellor, University of Nebraska. Geoscientist, Antarctic explorations.

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Locations of GRCSW/SCAS/UT-DALLAS

GRCSW located at various sites on the Southern Methodist University campus, 1961; rented a portion of the Science Library, 8101 Airline Road as of April, 1962, and continued there and in other leased locations to 29 October, 1964, including the Crow-Hunt Building, Plano (Texas).

GRCSW/SCAS occupied the Founders Building on the independent campus in Richardson, Texas, 29 October 1964. This initial structure, plus satellite

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Locations (CONT)

buildings added through 1968, also served as the first location of The University of Texas at Dallas.

Major construction of buildings

Founders Building, ^{SWMM} 1963 to 29 October, 1964

Founders North Building, authorized September, 1970, completed April, 1972

Berkner Hall, authorized September, 1970, beneficial occupancy January, 1973; dedication 14 May 1973.

Eugene McDermott Library, Jonsson Center, Green Center, ^{University Theatre,} Physical Instruction Building; Phase II construction of The University of Texas at Dallas (Hensel Phelps Constructors). Authorized 29 April 1972, general beneficial occupancy as of 1 September 1975, the date of addition of junior and senior undergraduate programs; completions of Jonsson Center and University Theatre delayed until 1976 by crafts union strike. Phase II dedication 18 October 1976.

Hoblitzelle Hall, authorized September 1972 as Environmental Sciences Building, but completed (including Andrew R. Cecil Auditorium) circa 1 September 1974 for occupancy by Southwestern Legal Foundation. Dedication as addition to Phase II 18 October 1976.

Conference/Continuing Education Center, authorized 1 October 1976, beneficial occupancy 20 January 1978.

Visual Arts Building, authorized 29 July 1977, dedicated 30 September 1978.

Student Union Building, feasibility study authorized February 1978, beneficial occupancy 23 April 1981, dedication pending, *ed 21 April 1982.*

The Temporary Administration Building of The University of Texas at Dallas was constructed on eight acres leased by the Graduate Research Center of the Southwest circa February, 1965, for occupancy of the research laboratories of the Western Company of North America. The property was returned to The University of Texas at Dallas for use as an administration building by purchase of the Regents, 29 April 1972 and is in use to present.

Central Energy Plant facilities were constructed and operated by Win-Sam, Inc., under a 25-year franchise, awarded circa May 1973. The plant operates to present.

Dates of establishment

a. Establishment of six schools (Arts and Humanities, General Studies, Human Development, Management and Administration, Natural Sciences and Mathematics, and Social Sciences) was authorized by the Coordinating Board, Texas College and University System, 10 September 1975. Undergraduate Colleges, initially identified by number, have evolved into Colleges of Natural Sciences and Mathematics, Human Development, Business and Public Administration, Social Sciences, Arts and Humanities and General Studies, with a separate function in Teacher Education.

b. Callier Center for Communication Disorders, a function of the School of Human Development, continues to present at its site in Dallas, 1966 Inwood

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Road, with the School administration located at the main campus in north suburban Richardson, Texas.

c. The Geological Information Library of Dallas (GILD), which was given to The University of Texas at Dallas circa 5 February 1971, is a function of service to petroleum industry including well logs, scout tickets, maps and other information sources gathered from five states. It is located in Dallas, at One Energy Square. GILD is not directly tied into the academic programs of the university.

Student Organizations

Student organizations registered at The University of Texas at Dallas as of 7 December 1981 are: Accounting Honor Society, Anthropological Society, Astronomy Society; The Bacchanalians, Baha'i Club, Baptist Student Union; Chinese Students Association, The Council for Exceptional Children; Dallas Association of Campus Judaism; Indian Students Association, The Law Society; Marketing Club, Minority Student Coalition, Muslim Students Association; Personnel Association, Phi Theta Kappa Alumni, Philosophy Society, Political Forum, Pre-Health, Psychology Association; Supporters of Moslem Student Society, Veterans Service Organization, and Women's Services Information Coalition/*women's network*.

Student Publications

U·T·DATELINE, founded 26 September, 1975, is a bulletin of scheduled events and general information published by Student Activities on Mondays and Thursdays during the academic year.

No lasting student newspaper was published prior to establishment of The UTD MERCURY, which began publication 2 September 1980 and continues to present as a four-to-eight page tabloid newspaper, issued each second Monday during the academic year, but with monthly issues during the summer session.

Athletic Programs

The University of Texas completed five seasons of intercollegiate tennis play through spring, 1981, with associate membership in the National Association of Intercollegiate Athletics.

Four seasons of intercollegiate baseball were completed in spring, 1981, with membership in the National Association of Intercollegiate Athletics.

With resignation of the Athletic Director in late 1981, *did not* it is doubtful ~~that~~ intercollegiate programs will continue. Strong intramural programs are maintained in tennis, softball, flag football, handball, racquet ball, and cross-country, *with clinics in such areas as tennis and strength-building.*

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able events, alumni and faculty

13 June 1969: Signing of HB303, 61st Texas Legislature, on campus, by then-Texas Gov. Preston Smith, creating the university effective 1 September 1969.

18 October 1976: Phase II construction dedication, the major portion of the core campus. Speaker, George M. Low, President of Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute; former Deputy Director, NASA Manned Spacecraft Center, Houston.

Faculty:

Polykarp Kusch, Nobel Laureate in Physics (shared with Willis Lamb), Columbia University, 1955. Professor of Physics.

Francis S. Johnson, Principal Investigator in Lunar Atmosphere Detector (LAD) experiment, carried to Moon on Apollo flights 12 through 14.

John H. Hoffman, Principal Investigator in mass spectrometer experiments, carried in Moon orbit, placed on Moon (turn-on 27 December 1972) for analysis of lunar atmosphere. (LACE experiment, Apollo Flights 15 through 17). Professor, Physics. Also, Venus Atmospheric Probe experiments.

Robert Xavier Rodriguez, Resident Composer; 1980-81 and 1981-82 American Society of Composers, Authors and Publishers (ASCAP) Awards for Outstanding Achievement in the field of Concert Music. Pulitzer Prize ~~nominee~~. Associate Professor, Music.

SEE ALSO OTHER INFORMATION AND REFERENCES.

Other information

A news release is attached, amplifying on editorships, authorship, and publications noted in the following. Additional material is attached on TAGER/AHE.

References (publications)

American String Teacher: Editor since summer quarter issue, 1980, Associate Professor of English, Assistant to Chief Academic Officer, Nancy Cluck. Quarterly, 48 to 64 pp per issue. Major journal in United States concerned with only string instruments. Circulation, 5,500.

Mundus Artium: Editor, Rainer Schulte, Professor of Humanities. Bi-yearly, distribution in 28 countries, maximum printing 10,000. "Journal of International Literature and the Arts." (Publication begun in 1967, by Schulte, when he was beginning his teaching career at Ohio University, Athens)

Translation Review; Editors, Schulte; Dennis Kratz, Associate Professor of Classics, and Ronald B. Tobias, Assistant Professor of Creative Writing. Published three times a year; publication began in 1978, coinciding with Schulte's founding the American Literary Translators Association (ALTA); 2,000 copies, exclusive circulation to ALTA membership.

Emeritus

Wrightia: Editor, Cyrus Longworth Lundell, Professor of Botany. Journal of discovery, description and identification of plant species and genus. Published several times annually. Publication began in 1945 at Southern Methodist University,

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continued at Texas Research Foundation (see foregoing), and further continued at The University of Texas at Dallas since 1972.

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ADVANCE: Editor, Mrs. ~~Jacqueline (J. J.) Howe~~, Assistant Director of News and Information. Now a monthly magazine, but in tabloid newspaper format, directed to alumni and friends of the university; 8 to 16 pp, approximately 9,000 free circulation. Originated as quarterly magazine by Al Mitchell, now University Archivist, former Director of News and Information, January, 1964.

(10 annual issues)