President’s Report
University Assembly Meeting
November 13, 2012
Today’s Report

• UTSA National Rankings and Recognitions
• UT System Legislative Priorities
• Hazelwood Act
• TRB request for new building
• Update on North Paseo Building
National Rankings and Recognitions

• **One of the top 400 universities in the world**
  – *Times Higher Education World University Rankings, 2012*

• **No. 53 of the top 100 universities under 50**
  – *Times Higher Education, 2012*

• **One of just 21 U.S. universities with an A-rating for core curriculum**
  – *American Council of Trustees and Alumni, 2012*

• **Among the top quartile of research universities in the world**
  – *Scimago Institutions Rankings World Report, 2012*

• **A top school for contributions to the public good**
  – *Washington Monthly National Universities Rankings, 2012*
  – *Eduniversal International Scientific Committee, 2012*
National Rankings and Recognitions

• No. 5 in undergraduate degrees awarded to Hispanic students
  – Hispanic Outlook in Higher Education, 2012

• Among the best engineering and business programs for Hispanics
  – HispanicBusiness Magazine, 2012

• One of the leading M.B.A. programs for minorities

• Seven Master’s programs among the top programs in the U.S.
UT System Legislative Priorities

• Fund the General Academic Formulas to meet the growing needs of UT Institutions

• Authorize new Tuition Revenue Bonds
  – once approved by UT System BOR

• Continue investing in Financial Aid Programs
  – including Texas Grants

• Fund the Texas Research Incentive Program
Hazlewood Exemptions

• The Hinson-Hazlewood Act provides Texas veterans up to 150 hours of tuition exemption at Texas public higher education institutions.

• In August 2009, Texas added the Hazlewood Legacy Program allowing the transfer of unused benefits to a child or dependent.

• In August 2011, Texas allowed for one dependent child of a deceased Texas Veteran to use the unused Hazlewood benefits
Hazlewood Exemptions

• All Texans agree with providing educational benefits for veterans, spouses, children and dependents.

• Yet, costs for these exemptions have increased dramatically over the past two years across most institutions.

  UtSA: FY 09-10: $2.02M  FY 11-12: $7.7 M

• Hazelwood exemptions to be discussed by Legislature.
Experimental Science Instructional (ESI) Building

• Requesting Tuition Revenue Bonds from the Legislature for new 150,000 GSF science building

• State of the art teaching labs critical for STEM education – (addresses Legislative priority)

• Will allow for repurposing of 37 year-old existing science building (Flawn Building)

• UTSA has the THECB Highest Possible Space Usage Score
Experimental Science Instructional Building

- Total Project Cost: $92,750,000
- Space allocation:
  - Classrooms: 22,500 ASF
  - Teaching Laboratories: 45,000 ASF
  - Faculty Offices: 22,500 ASF
Proposed ESI Building

Timeline

- Pending Legislative Approval: Aug 2013
- Design Development Approval: Aug 2014
- Notice to Proceed: Apr 2015
- Completion and Occupancy: Aug 2017
UTSA Main Campus

Experimental Science Instructional Building
Update North Paseo I Building

View from the Campus Oval
North Paseo I Building

• Building consists of approx. 180,000 GSF
• 5 Stories of Classrooms and Academic and Administrative Office Space
• Total Project Cost is $52.4M
• Construction started September 2012
• Planned Final Completion September 2014
North Paseo Building

View of Trellis and Sally Port from Northeast
North Paseo I Building

View from South
Thank You for all you do for UTSA!